

MARKET HARBOROUGH AND THE BOWDENS CHARITY
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of Market Harborough and The Bowdens Charity, ("the Charity") for the year ended 31 December 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's Constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and 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) issued in October 2019 ("SORP (FRS 102)").

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Name	Market Harborough and The Bowdens Charity
Charity Registration Number	1157787
Status:	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Principal Office Address	10, Fairfield Road, Market Harborough, Leicestershire, LE16 9QQ
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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives

The Charity's area of benefit is the Urban District of Market Harborough as it existed prior to the reform of local government on 1 April 1974. This area includes the town of Market Harborough and the villages of Great Bowden and Little Bowden.

In summary, the objects of the Charity are:

1. Such charitable purposes for the general benefit of the inhabitants of the area of benefit as the Trustees think fit for which provision is not made out of rates, taxes or other public funds;
2. The relief either generally or individually of residents in the area of benefit who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, but not directly in relief of rates, taxes or other public funds. This is referred to in the objects as "Relief in Need". In exceptional circumstances the Trustees may grant relief to individuals otherwise eligible who are resident immediately outside the area of benefit; and
3. The maintenance and repair of the fabric of the Parish Church of the ecclesiastical parish of St. Peter and St. Paul, Great Bowden. The amount applied in this respect is restricted to 20% of the Charity's income in any three-year period.

Before applying the income of the Charity in support of these objects the Trustees must first defray the costs of maintaining the Charity's property (including that held on trust by the Charity) and the costs, charges and expenses of administering the Charity.

Activities

The Charity's principal activity, which is undertaken in relation to these objects, is the payment of grants to institutions to be applied for the public benefit within the defined area, towards the improvement of: the community, social welfare and environment; the arts; education; amateur sports; and the maintenance of local heritage.

A small, but significant proportion of the Charity's resources is applied in meeting social welfare, "relief in need", claims from individuals largely referred to the Charity by Social Services and similar bodies. Additionally, the Charity has an educational grant making activity to support the further education of financially disadvantaged members of the community by assistance with the cost of apprenticeships, vocational training and fees and living expenses associated with a course of undergraduate study.

Grants are also awarded, in consultation with the Parochial Church Council, as and when required towards the maintenance and repair of the fabric of the Parish Church of the ecclesiastical parish of St. Peter and St. Paul, Great Bowden.

Outside of direct grant provision, the Charity has fourteen fully serviced Almshouses, which are let at a below market rent. It also maintains two allotment sites in the town of Market Harborough in which plots are available to residents of the defined area for a modest charge and, in conjunction with the Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust, protects and enhances the ecological value of a Site of Special Scientific Interest on land that is held within its investment property portfolio.

Finally, the Charity has since 2005 owned a 17th Century building known as the Old Grammar School which is a listed landmark building in the town of Market Harborough of significant historical, cultural and architectural importance. The Charity completed a major programme of renovation and refurbishment of the building in 2014, which was its 400th anniversary. Prior to the lockdown arising as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, the building was available for public hire, by local groups and inhabitants of the area of benefit, on an hourly basis at agreed rates which contributed towards the annual running costs.

Grant Making Policy

The Charity has devised standard application forms for funding which, together with guidance notes, can be downloaded from the Charity's website www.mhbcharity.co.uk. All applications are subjected to a validation process undertaken by the Charity staff. This process will, amongst other things: ensure compliance with the Charity Scheme, including geographical limitations; confirm that all necessary and relevant supporting information is available; and check the probity of the applicants and their history of previous applications.

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The process will also identify the benefit or benefits that the applicants intend to achieve and ensure that the recipients of such benefits are the public or an appropriate section of the public.

Valid applications are placed on the agenda for the next meeting of either the Relief in Need or the Appeals committee, as appropriate. The committees are entitled to make grants of up to £5,000 and £20,000, respectively, without the need to seek the approval of the Board and providing resources permit. There is also a fast track procedure for applications in need of early consideration on the grounds of urgency.

Where large or complex applications for funding are received (referred to as “projects”) and are considered to be potentially worthy of support, a contact group of no less than three Trustees is formed to review the proposed project. The contact group will meet with the applicants, before the application is considered, and undertake a detailed appraisal of the project, following which a recommendation will be made to the Appeals committee. Such projects as are accepted by the Appeals committee are presented to a full meeting of Trustees for final approval. Under normal circumstance the Charity will not fund over 50% of the total cost of the project.

As an ongoing process, the Charity receives applications from the Great Bowden PCC for funding of projects to maintain and repair the fabric of the Church. The applications are reviewed in accordance with the procedures outlined above.

Where a project receives support from the Charity then the contact group will monitor its progress on a continuous basis and will, some time after completion, undertake an audit of the project. The objective of the audit is, amongst other things, to check that the level of public benefit claimed in the original application has been provided. Where it is perceived that the public benefit criteria have not been adequately met, the auditing Trustees will discuss details of the shortfall with the applicant and agree the appropriate action that should be taken.

Volunteers

In meeting these aims, each of the Trustees provides the Charity with many hours of service on a voluntary basis, but the Charity has no particular requirement for volunteers outside of the trustee body. No financial value is attributed to this voluntary work in the financial statements.

Public benefit

The Trustees are mindful that it is of paramount importance that the Charity’s activities are carried out for the public benefit. They have a rigorous grant making policy, which is more fully described above, to ensure that the Charity only awards grants to projects whose objects satisfy the public benefit criteria. The Trustees monitor carefully the supported projects to ensure that the stated public benefits are delivered.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit when reviewing the Charity’s aims and objectives, in planning future activities and in setting the grant making policy for the year.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Covid-19 outbreak was widely detected in the UK from February 2020 and soon after was declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organisation. In common with all organisations, the Charity was affected by the resultant lockdown and was forced to close its office with Trustees and staff having to work from home and use video conferencing to hold meetings.

At the present time, the office remains closed to the public, other than by appointment but, in spite of the pandemic and all its consequences, the Charity has continued its work throughout 2020, which marked the 450th anniversary of the first recorded mention of one of the charities that, through mergers and amalgamations, make up the modern day Charity.

The Trustees would like to place on record their appreciation to the staff for their dedication and hard work throughout this difficult year.

Payments of grants to institutions in the financial year amounted to £402,208 compared with £327,637 in 2019. During the year the Trustees have continued to support a number of projects, partly with other organisations, to improve community amenities (including social welfare), heritage, education, arts, and amateur sporting facilities of the town, which are accessible to all sections of the community.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

Although several of the projects that have been supported cover more than one activity the broad breakdown of the grants paid by activity is as follows:

Activity	Grants Paid	Number
Community and social welfare	£229,578	19
Heritage	-	-
Education	2,000	1
Arts	750	1
Amateur sports	169,880	5
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Total	£402,208	26
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Community and Social Welfare

From a Community and Social Welfare perspective the organisations that have benefited from the Charity's support in the year include the following:

Voluntary Action South Leicestershire ("VASL") is a charity, based in Market Harborough, which the Charity has supported over many years. It provides an integrated voluntary action centre to co-ordinate and support the activities of volunteers for the benefit of the town and surrounding district.

During 2020, the Charity paid grants totalling £20,250 towards VASL's car scheme which provides transport for elderly, disabled or rurally isolated people who can't use, or have no access to public transport. In a typical year the service provides between 5,000 and 6,000 passenger journeys to help its users get to places such as the health centre, dentist, hairdressers, hospital appointments and the leisure centre. The annual cost of running the scheme is in the region of £90,000 and the Charity has pledged to support the scheme with quarterly grants of £6,750 payable over a three-year period. The total amount pledged which is outstanding at 31 December 2020 is £27,000.

In addition to its transport scheme, VASL also supports voluntary carers in the community and befriending services for people who are socially isolated. Whilst funds are raised specifically towards these activities from local government and The Big Lottery, VASL has significant core running costs which have to be met, largely by voluntary donations. In order to secure a stable financial future for VASL, the Charity has agreed, subject to appropriate conditions being met, a five-year funding package of £173,320 to be paid in quarterly instalments. The first four instalments totalling £34,664 were paid in the year.

In addition, the Charity also paid a final grant of £2,880 as part of a series of payments towards funding VASL's projects supporting mental health issues of both patients and their carers and a one-off grant of £600 towards an information directory produced in conjunction with the Harborough Locality Integrated Leadership Team.

Market Harborough Medical Centre received grants totalling £60,000, representing part payment of a total pledge of £120,000 payable over two years of which £30,000 remained outstanding at 31 December 2020. The grants were awarded towards projects aimed at supporting those with mental health issues and eating disorders. This mental health initiative arose from the Charity's active involvement in the Harborough Locality Integrated Leadership Team, a group which is responsible for joining up and coordinating the care provided by multiple professionals to patients within the locality.

The grant has been used to partly fund a Mental Health Facilitator, based in the Medical Centre, who in the first five months of operation saw over 350 patients across all age groups suffering with a range of symptoms but most notably anxiety and depression. The Facilitator provides advice, guidance and signposting and can refer patients for specialist services as appropriate.

Mental health is seen as a key priority for the Charity following the lockdowns imposed as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and the Charity was pleased to support an initiative by **Leicestershire Action for Mental Health Project** ("LAMP") to extend their activities into the Charity's geographical area of benefit.

LAMP is an independent mental health charity which offers free access to mental health advocacy which is confidential and non-judgemental. It aims to support sufferers and their carers by providing information, assisting them in accessing the services that they require and giving a voice to their concerns. The Charity pledged a grant of £20,000 to LAMP, covering a two-year period, of which £10,000 was paid in the year.

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Home-Start South Leicestershire ("Home-Start"), is a registered charity based in Market Harborough which offers assistance to parents in the many challenges that they face in bringing up their children particularly where these are exacerbated by issues such as: illness/disability; mental health problems; loneliness and isolation; family/relationship breakdowns; bereavement; and financial hardship.

Home-Start assists such families through four Projects involving a combination of home-visiting support, groups and courses. Home-visiting support usually consists of two to three hours a week by a volunteer, normally a parent themselves, who is matched with a family on the basis of the level of need. Their aim is to support parents to grow in confidence, strengthen their relationship with their children and widen their links within the local community.

In 2018, the Charity pledged support of £60,000 to be paid over a three-year period, subject to appropriate conditions being met, to the costs of the Family Know-How project and during the year made the final payment of the three grants of £20,000. This project, which has been successfully delivered for four years, focuses on the needs of some of the most complex families that they support, particularly those struggling to cope with their young children because of: lack of confidence/self-esteem; lack of understanding as to how to lead a healthy lifestyle; and chaotic home and financial circumstances.

In addition, during 2019 the Charity pledged a further £60,000, again payable over three years subject to the necessary conditions being met, in support of the Post-Natal Illness Project, which provides practical support, help and advice for families affected by post-natal illness. The second grant of £20,000 was paid in the year and the balance of £20,000 is expected to be paid in 2021.

Harborough Christian Counselling Service was the recipient of £12,500 from the Charity, being the second instalment of a pledge made in 2018, subject to fulfilment of the relevant criteria, to assist with operating costs over a five-year period. Payment of the outstanding pledge of £37,500 is expected to be made in equal instalments between 2021 and 2023.

The service is located at the Bower House in Coventry Road, and provides help, support and encouragement in the form of Christian counselling to the local people of Market Harborough and District at times of crises in their lives. Its aim is to empower and help people make their own decisions in appropriate ways to enable them to satisfactorily come through these crises. Whilst the counsellors are Christians, the service is available to people of all faiths or none. Counsellors are trained within the organisation and it provides a service which is responsive to local demand and, importantly, free to users. In addition to the trained counsellors the service also has a number of support workers who offer a listening and befriending service to users who do not want to make a commitment to counselling.

Leicestershire & Rutland Organisation for the Relief of Suffering Limited ("LOROS") is a charity based in Leicester, which every year provides free, high-quality, compassionate care and support to over 2,500 terminally ill adult patients, their family and carers across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

The care package offered includes: short-stay inpatient ward for symptom management and/or end of life care; outreach support in the patient's home; day therapy; complementary therapy; and counselling.

The Charity is working with LOROS to assess the feasibility of establishing a Wellbeing Centre in Market Harborough which would be built on the Charity's land adjacent to its Northampton Road allotment site without impacting on the allotments themselves. As part of this work LOROS has established an End of Life Support Patient Unit in the town, which is initially to be run as a two-year pilot project. During 2019, the Charity pledged support of £35,920 for this project over the two-year period payable in six-monthly instalments of which £17,960 was paid in 2020. The final instalment of £8,980 was paid in 2021.

Market Harborough Anglican Team received grants totalling £9,595 to assist in the recruitment and employment of youth workers to support young people and youth initiatives within their congregations and the wider community.

The grants paid are part of a larger pledge of which £19,915 was outstanding at 31 December 2020 and which is expected to be paid between 2021 and 2023.

A further grant of £6,000, aimed at supporting young people, was paid to **Harborough Youth and Community Trust** to assist with improvements to office space at "The Cube". This is a purpose built centre, situated on land near to the town centre, which comprises a café, a games area and an outside space, including a community garden.

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It provides an environmentally friendly facility for young people to spend their leisure time with access to skilled professionals who can support them either individually or in groups.

In addition, the Charity awarded grants in support of other local charities whose users are predominantly at the opposite end of the age spectrum, notably the Harborough Community Bus (£5,000) and Shopmobility Market Harborough (£3,101). These grants were respectively applied in an extension and carport canopy for a garage and an equipment storage shed.

Heritage

In recent years the Charity has supported a large number of heritage related projects, however, very few applications for assistance were received in this area during 2020 and no awards were made.

Education

Similarly, there were a limited number of applications for education related grants and the only award in the year was £2,000 towards the creation of an outdoor reading area at Great Bowden Academy, which had been pledged in 2019.

However, during the year the Charity supported six local schools with aggregate grants of £115,846 through its Education Bursary Fund, which was launched in 2019. Through this fund the Charity will award bursaries, over a three-year period, up to £180,000 a year for all the schools in the area of benefit, which equates to a maximum of £20,000 per school per annum. The Bursary Fund has relatively few rules to give the Trustees flexibility in accessing applications for assistance.

A designated reserve of £94,154, representing a net increase of £64,154 over the year, is carried forward at 31 December 2020 to cover unclaimed bursaries in the first eighteen months of operation.

Furthermore, in addition to these grants to educational organisations, the Charity once again placed advertisements in the local press and media promoting its schemes designed to assist individuals with the payment of course fees for undergraduate and vocational study (including apprenticeships). In response to requests from applicants the scheme has been extended in recent years to include assistance with accommodation costs for those involved in a course of full-time study away from their home. During the year grants totalling £135,750 (2019: £118,979) were paid from the Educational Fund to 129 individuals (2019: 141).

At 31 December 2020 the outstanding commitment to students who have been awarded grants covering the remainder of their course, assuming that they meet the necessary qualifying conditions, was £139,819. This represents a reduction of £92,681 from the start of the year and is reflected in the movement in the designated reserve established to meet such commitments. Of this sum approximately £105,000 is expected to be paid in 2021, £30,500 in 2022 and the balance in 2023/24.

Arts

The only arts related grant paid in the year was to the Great Bowden Recital Trust in respect of a junior X-Factor competition. A further £750 is carried forward in designated reserves for this project along with £3,000 for an outreach concert for local children which is planned as part of the Great Bowden Music Fest. It is intended that this latter grant will be paid from the restricted fund which was created upon receipt of a grant in 2019, following the closure of The Market Harborough Musical Theatre.

Amateur Sports

Market Harborough Lawn Tennis Club was the recipient of the largest grant awarded by the Charity in the year of £114,000. It was applied towards the replacement of its old wooden clubhouse, which was no longer fit for purpose. The Charity's contribution was part of a total cost of in excess of £300,000, which was raised by the club, with the support of the Lawn Tennis Association, for the new clubhouse and the provision of floodlighting to the courts.

The club has in excess of 300 members and has four all-weather courts of which three are floodlit. It runs male, female and mixed teams, which compete in the summer and winter Leicestershire leagues, as well as veteran and junior teams across the different age groups. In addition, it has an active social tennis membership and one evening of the week is set aside for new, prospective and non-members.

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The other significant amateur sports related grant in the year was £50,000 to the **Market Harborough Cricket and Squash Club** for the construction of two new floodlight Padel Tennis courts, which are the first of their kind in the East Midlands. The Charity's contribution represented roughly 43% of the budgeted cost of the new facility.

The padel courts are enclosed and are about a third of the size of a tennis court. The rules of padel are the same as tennis, played with similar balls, although serving is under-hand and the walls are used as part of the game.

It is great for all ages and caters to all levels of play. With limited racket skills players can quickly engage in dynamic and fun rallies, utilising the court's surroundings. Padel is always played in doubles, which makes it a very social activity and therefore ideal for the entire family. The new facility has been a very welcome addition to the town.

Smaller grants, totalling £5,800, were awarded to other local amateur sports groups involved with cycling, rugby union football and chess. In addition, a conditional pledge of £48,000 was made in the year to support the renewal of an all-weather football pitch at the Harborough Town Football Club.

Other commitments

In addition to the grants paid in the year, the Charity has also made non-binding commitments, many of which are detailed above, for payments, amounting to £345,817, in respect of projects which were subject to unfulfilled conditions as at 31 December 2020. If the conditions are fulfilled, it is expected that the Charity will pay approximately: £205,000 in 2021; £55,000 in 2022; £51,000 in 2023; and the balance of £34,817 in 2024 in settlement of these pledges.

In total, during the year, £126,709 was transferred to the appropriate designated reserve to meet grant expenditure pledged in the year and a corresponding transfer of £402,104 was made from this designated reserve to the General Fund once the expenditure had been incurred or it was agreed that the amount pledged would no longer be the subject of a grant.

Church of St. Peter & St. Paul Great Bowden

During the year, the Charity did not receive any applications from the Great Bowden PCC for assistance with the cost of repair and maintenance of the Church of St. Peter & St. Paul. In the previous year the Charity contributed a total of £10,543 to such works.

Relief in Need

The Charity prefers prevention to palliatives. It wishes to foster self-help and the participation of those intended to benefit. It also aims to enable less advantaged people to be independent, gain useful skills and overcome handicaps and encourage volunteer involvement. Through its Relief in Need scheme the Charity supports practical initiatives embodying some or all of these characteristics. During the year grants of £42,999 (2019: £41,816) were distributed under this scheme to a total of 67 individuals/families (2019: 57). Of these grants, 12 (2019: 15) amounted to more than £1,000 and the remainder were less than £1,000 each. The Charity maintains a designated reserve which is intended to ensure that there are adequate funds to pay relief in need grants in the event of a downturn in income. Based on grants awarded in recent years the level of this reserve has been maintained at £90,000 as at 31 December 2020.

During the year the Charity has used the services of a caseworker to assess certain relief in need claims.

Other grant related costs

Other direct costs (including Caseworker's and Secretarial time, advertising and database development) amounting to £25,376 (2019: £32,637) and apportioned support costs of £39,139 (2019: £54,422) were associated with the grant making activity and paid from the General Fund in the year.

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Almshouses

The Charity has fourteen fully serviced Almshouses, which are let to residents and subject to a modest contribution. One of the Almshouses became vacant in the final quarter of the year, following the death of a resident, but they were otherwise fully occupied throughout 2020. Contributions from residents (£78,478) were £12,702 in excess of outgoings in the year (£65,776), however, repair and maintenance expenditure in the year was much lower than normal as, due to the pandemic, only essential work was undertaken.

Other than in exceptional circumstances, major refurbishment work is generally only possible when there is a change of resident and a designated reserve of £40,000 is maintained to ensure that sufficient funds are available to undertake such works when the need and opportunity arises.

Allotments

The Charity owns two separate allotment fields in the town and in recent years has undertaken considerable work to bring additional plots into cultivation and to upgrade and enhance the facilities, which include good access and mains water supplies. Demand for the allotments remains strong and gross income was £4,813 during the year compared with £4,930 in 2019. However, this was insufficient to cover the expenditure of £27,192 and there was a deficit of £22,379 for the year.

A designated reserve of £30,000 is maintained to cover future costs associated with non-routine maintenance of the allotments and the commercial properties.

Old Grammar School

Following completion in 2014 of a major programme of work to its Heritage Asset, the Old Grammar School, a 17th Century town landmark that celebrated its 400th anniversary in 2014, expenditure on the building was a more modest £13,931 (2019: £22,137). Prior to the outbreak of the pandemic, the Charity managed the letting and community use of the facility in-house and during the year such letting contributed £780 (down from £5,800 in 2019) towards running costs. Despite the major work in 2014, because of its age, the building is in constant need of maintenance and a designated reserve of £10,000 is maintained to cover such work as is likely to be required in the short-term.

Site of Special Scientific Interest

There is a Site of Special Scientific Interest ("SSSI") on part of the farmland, owned by the Charity for investment purposes, which is managed by the Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust. Direct costs of £17,423 (2019: £2,755) were incurred on this site during the year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Review of major risks

The Board has given consideration to the major risks to which the Charity is exposed and engaged the services of professional advisers to ensure these risks are controlled and minimised. Appropriate management systems and assurances are also in place to support these controls. The conversion to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation ("CIO") in June 2017 provided the Trustees with a catalyst to revisit their approach to risk management. Of particular note has been the investment in regulatory audit including preparation for the new General Data Protection Regulation; fire risk management, and asset registration. The Trustees reintroduced a formal updated risk register in 2018.

Over the last twenty years, the Charity has been able to generate substantial income and support some major projects. Several years ago the Trustees completed a strategic review, resulting in more liaison with project organisers, the provision of dedicated offices, increased funds and conversion to a CIO. In 2018 the Trustees of the Charity developed this strategic plan further to set their future direction, to make clear what its priorities are and what its resources should be concentrating on delivering. The Trustees recognise that they will need to revisit the plan bi-annually and it was re-adopted as an ongoing strategy in February 2020.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

As part of the strategy to improve the visibility and effectiveness of the Charity, so that more local people can benefit, the Trustees have undertaken a series of initiatives aimed at:

- Generating more quality grant applications;
- Improved communication with other local charities about the development of land owned by the charity;
- A review of the Charity's name and branding, leading to a new logo, website and media presence;
- Improved internal and external communication including public open days;
- Recruitment of new trustees aimed at bringing different skill sets to the Board; and
- A review of staffing.

A sub-committee of Trustees, known as the Estates Committee, has been established under the chair of an experienced property professional to oversee the management of the property portfolio. The committee is advised in this respect by the local office of a national firm of land agents and a firm of planning consultants headed by a former Steward of the Charity. In addition, three separate firms of Investment Managers manage the investment portfolio. Investments are spread over a portfolio of equities, bonds and cash to reduce the impact of volatility in the equity market and Trustees meet with investment managers on a regular basis to review the portfolio and consider their recommendations.

The Charity staff and Trustees work closely, through contact groups, with organisations that apply for major grants to ensure that their projects are legitimate, feasible and satisfy the criteria for public benefit. If a grant is awarded, the contact group continues to ensure that the project is properly planned and managed. Twelve months after completion of the project, the Trustees undertake an audit to ensure that the project continues to meet the public benefit objectives as set out in the application.

The Board has appointed a firm of Chartered Accountants to oversee all aspects of bookkeeping and the preparation of quarterly management accounts to enhance the accuracy and timeliness of financial information. A finance committee has been established from amongst the Trustees. This committee meets on a regular basis to review quarterly financial information and investment performance.

The appointment of a new Chair of Trustees in February 2021 coincided with the first signs that covid restrictions were being eased and staff began to return to the office. The opportunity has been taken to take a fresh look at governance generally and, in particular, investment performance. An independent wealth management consultancy (Mercer) has been appointed to carry out the investment review and they are due to report towards the end of 2021.

General and Designated Funds

The net outgoing resources from the General Fund for the year, before gains/losses on investments and transfers to/from designated reserves, amounted to £264,090 compared with £65,796 in the previous year.

Income from the investment portfolio (excluding investment properties) fell by approximately 18.15% compared with the previous year to £458,630. This is due almost entirely to the moratorium placed on dividends by many companies in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The situation is expected to continue throughout 2021 and, following discussions with the Charity's investment managers, the Trustees are budgeting for investment income of only £388,000 in the current year.

After a fall of over 16%, immediately following the outbreak of the pandemic, the value of the portfolio ended the year at £15,454,160 compared with an opening value of £15,700,528, which represents a reduction of £246,368. However, during the year £249,195 of assets belonging to the General Fund were liquidated and withdrawn from the portfolio to assist with the payment of grants. After making allowance for this, the portfolio actually grew in value by approximately 0.1% over the year. This compares with a fall of 12.46% in the FTSE All Share index and 14.34% in the FTSE 100 index over the same period. Historically, the movements in valuation of the Charity's portfolio have always been less dramatic than the movements in these two FTSE indices. This reflects the fact that the Charity adopts a relatively cautious and balanced investment strategy, which has, to some extent, protected it from some of the worst effects of the pandemic. A more suitable benchmark is the MSCI WMA Private Investor Balanced index which, grew by 1.95% over the year.

The value of the investment portfolio (ignoring investment properties) at the end of the year reflects an unrealised surplus of £3,212,599 over its original cost. There was further capital growth in the portfolio in the first six months of 2021 such that, at 30 June 2021, the unrealised surplus had risen to £4,024,908.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

Messrs Fisher German LLP, Chartered Surveyors undertook a full valuation of the Charity's property portfolio, both held for investment and operational use, as at 31 December 2020 and the results of this valuation are incorporated in the financial statements. Further details are included in Notes 12 and 14 but, in summary, the investment properties were reduced in value by a net £53,675 and the properties held for operational use were reduced in value by £675,693 of which £102,725 and £572,968 was attributable to properties held within the General Fund and Endowment Fund, respectively.

Rental income from the investment properties (which include farmland, paddocks and shops) for the year was £95,438 compared with £98,512 in 2019. This represents an investment yield of approximately 3.79% based on the latest valuation.

All of the properties remained fully let in the year but, to assist tenants during the pandemic, the Trustees agreed to deferred payment terms for some of the shops. This had an impact on cash flow in 2020 but a payment schedule has been agreed with the tenants to recover the shortfall in the twelve months to 31 March 2022.

Income from the charitable activities including the almshouses, Old Grammar School and allotments increased to £102,106 compared with £98,340 in 2019.

The cost of generating funds fell slightly to £34,727 compared with £37,532 in 2019 and expenditure on charitable activities (excluding grants) was also lower at £124,322, compared with £144,266.

Voluntary income and other incoming resources contributed a further £103.

As a result of the movement in resources referred to above, and realised and unrealised gains of £96,839 on general fund investments, General Funds have increased by £33,946 over the course of the year and stood at £554,911 as at 31 December 2020. Aggregate retained reserves carried forward in respect of designated funds amounted to £799,790 (2019: £1,103,712).

Restricted Income Fund

During 2019 the Charity received a grant of £6,087 from the Market Harborough Musical Theatre on the understanding that it would be used to support performing arts in Market Harborough and the Bowdens. The grant has, consequently, been accounted for as a Restricted Fund and whilst, due to the pandemic, no grants were paid in 2020 it is anticipated that it will be applied for the specified purpose in 2021 and/or 2022, when amateur performances can resume safely.

Endowment Fund

During the year, expenses of £64,274, representing the cost of managing the investments and depreciation of certain Endowment Fund assets, were charged against the Endowment Fund. Net losses of £97,979 were realised on sales of stocks within the investment portfolio during the year and unrealised gains of £63,561 were recorded on the revaluation of the portfolio to its market value at the year end. As reported above, revaluation of the investment property portfolio resulted in a deficit of £53,675 and the valuation of the operational properties also fell by £572,968.

The net effect is that the value of the Endowment Fund assets fell by £725,335 over the year and stood at £18,981,642 as at 31 December 2020.

Investment policy

The Charity has adopted an investment strategy to provide for present and future benefits. It aims to avoid unnecessary risks through diversification and as far as possible to generate a stable level of investment income in the region of £500,000 per annum, under normal circumstances, and a balance of income and capital growth. There are no restrictions on the Charity's power to invest. The Charity uses the services of three different fund managers who invest the funds under their control as follows:

Cave & Sons Limited

Directly held UK equity and fixed interest stocks
UK equity and fixed interest unitised investments
Overseas equity unitised investments
With a target split of: 55% UK Equities; 25% UK Fixed Interest; and
20% Overseas Equities

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FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

Cazenove Capital Management Limited Unitised investments comprising:
UK Equities (50% to 60%)
Overseas Equities (10% to 15%)
UK Fixed Interest and Cash (20% to 30%)
Property (5% to 15%)
Other Alternatives (0% to 10%)

CCLA Investment Management Limited COIF unitised investments specifically for charities in:
Charities Investment Fund
Charities Property Fund
Charities Fixed Interest Fund
Charities Global Equity Fund

Approximately 25% of these funds are in overseas equities.

The Trustees review investment performance and asset class allocations at regular meetings with the Fund Managers and respond to economic and investment circumstances as required. In addition, the Trustees remain ready to take advantage of any longer term investment opportunity that may arise such as the acquisition of appropriate land and buildings.

Reserves policy

Reserves represent unrestricted funds after appropriate provision has been made, through designated funds (as described above) for: meeting commitments for grants pledged; maintenance and repair of the Great Bowden church; making Relief in Need and educational grants; and repairs to all freehold properties.

The Trustees aim to find projects worthy of support, in accordance with the Charity's objects, such that the grants that they award are approximately equal to the Charity's income net of operational expenses and management and administration expenses. However, reserves are required:

- to allow for unforeseen reductions in annual income; and
- to enable the Charity to provide funds for specific projects so that these projects can be undertaken at short notice.

Taking these factors into account the Trustees consider that the reserves should ideally be within a range of twelve to eighteen months of the typical outgoing resources of the Charity (excluding amounts specifically covered by designated reserves) which approximately equates to between £500,000 and £750,000.

The reserves at 31 December 2020 amount to £554,911, however, tangible fixed assets which are in operational use by the Charity represent £140,237 of this total. Therefore, the net free reserves are £414,674. This level of reserves lies below the ideal range, but is considered to be acceptable for the immediate needs of the Charity.

The Charity's Finance Committee continues to keep the level of reserves under review and in making its assessment it will refer to quarterly management accounts prepared by the Charity's accountants, income projections prepared by the Charity's fund managers and internally produced cash flow projections. Appropriate recommendations will then be made to the Board as to the level of grants to be awarded in 2021. If necessary, the level may need to be reduced from that of recent years but there is no material uncertainty that the Charity will be able to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The Charity continues to make substantial contributions to organisations and individuals in the area of benefit. However, the Covid-19 pandemic has impacted on its operations including staff working arrangements, investment returns and communications with the Charity. There has also been a turnover in trustees and some staff welfare issues to support. The Trustees are therefore keen to review the operations of the Charity during 2021 and 2022 with a view to improving efficiency, and, where supported by appropriate evidence of need, to seek to make changes to the constitution.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

In place of the Governance and Administration Committee, Trustees are now routinely invited to trustee working groups to explore a range of topics including decision making policy and definitions in the constitution. The objective is to include all Trustees in policy development and to create an environment for more discussion amongst the Board.

Reviews have commenced on: staff employment including contracts and a policy handbook; appointments to the almshouses and support to residents; office policy and procedures; and the investment review referred to above. Any changes will inevitably create some movement in the budget which will be incrementally agreed by the Board as appropriate.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The Charity was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 9 July 2014 and is governed by a foundation constitution, which was last amended on 25 May 2017. The constitution states that the body of trustees ("the Board") shall consist of a minimum of eight trustees and a maximum of fifteen appointed trustees and one ex officio trustee. The first fifteen trustees of the Charity were appointed for terms ranging from between two and five years, whereupon they are eligible for re-appointment. All subsequent appointments/re-appointments are for a term of four years.

Merger

Pursuant to a pre-merger vesting declaration signed on 31 May 2017, the Charity merged with an unincorporated charity, also known as Market Harborough and The Bowdens Charity ("the Unincorporated Charity"), with effect from 1 June 2017. Whereas, the Charity had not engaged in any activities prior to the merger, the Unincorporated Charity had been active for many years and was registered with the Charity Commission with number 1041958. The two charities had a board of trustees and objects which were identical in all material respects.

Following the merger the Charity holds all of the unrestricted property of the Unincorporated Charity as its corporate property and the specified trust property of the Unincorporated Charity on the same trusts, so far as reasonably practicable, on which the property was held before the merger. The Charity also assumed responsibility for the Unincorporated Charity's liabilities and undertook to pay all expenses accruing or to be incurred in respect of the assets and liabilities transferred to it.

Organisational structure

The Board meets once a quarter to deal with all governance and policy matters and has appointed staff to attend to the day to day running of the Charity. Sub-Committees of the Trustees have been established in the areas of: Finance; Relief in Need; Appeals; Estates Management and Education. The Board has approved detailed terms of reference for each of these sub-committees and receives a formal report at each quarterly meeting.

Remuneration structure for key management personnel

The Trustees give of their time freely and receive no remuneration from the Charity. Additional emphasis on conflicts of interest and loyalty was effected during 2017 so that, in addition to the Trustees completing an annual declaration of interests, every Board and sub-committee meeting commences with a standing agenda item to mandate any new potential conflicts to be declared and recorded.

During 2018, the Trustees engaged an independent firm of HR consultants to bench-mark staff remuneration packages with grant-making charities of a similar size and activity to ensure that the remuneration set is fair and not out of line with that generally paid for similar roles.

The report concluded that the salaries that were being paid by the Charity were not out of line, and indeed were slightly higher than those in similar organisations. In addition, they recommended that the basic holiday entitlement should be increased and that a cost of living increase should be awarded annually in line with the Retail Price Index. These recommendations have been adopted in full and will be revisited as part of the employment review that is currently being undertaken.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT (continued)

Trustee recruitment, induction and training

When a vacancy occurs for an appointed trustee, the vacancy is considered in the light of the skills required by the Board and advertised in the local media. If appropriate, a short list is then prepared of candidates, who through residence, occupation, employment, or otherwise have special knowledge of the area of benefit or have the necessary skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Charity. The potential candidates are invited to submit a brief CV and two personal references. Each candidate is then interviewed by at least three existing Trustees following which a recommendation is made for consideration by the Board. Appointment is confirmed on the basis of a majority vote.

Harborough District Council ("the Council") may appoint one individual to act as an ex-officio trustee of the Charity provided that individual is also a Senior Officer of the Council. The position of ex officio trustee shall remain vacant if none of the Council's Senior Officers are willing to act in this capacity.

New trustees are provided with an induction pack including information on their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the constitution, the committees and decision making processes, strategic review, and the recent financial performance of the Charity. All trustees will be encouraged to attend appropriate external training events where these will facilitate the undertaking of their role.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP FRS (102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

FUND-RAISING STANDARDS INFORMATION

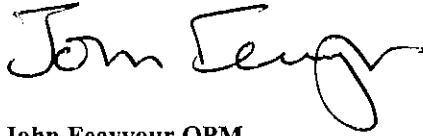
The Charity does not carry out any significant fundraising activities involving the general public.

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DECLARATION

I declare, in my capacity of Charity Trustee, that the Trustees have approved the report above and have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Feavours', with a stylized, flowing script.

John Feavours QPM
Chair of Trustees
Dated 27 October 2021

MARKET HARBOROUGH AND THE BOWDENS CHARITY

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MARKET HARBOROUGH AND THE BOWDENS CHARITY

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Market Harborough and The Bowdens Charity (the "charity") for the year ended 31 December 2020 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2020, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the period then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report and financial statements, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MARKET HARBOROUGH AND THE BOWDENS CHARITY (continued)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Report of the Trustees; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement (set out on page 13), the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 154 of that Act.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate experience, competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with laws and regulations;
- through discussions with the trustees and other management, and from our commercial knowledge of the charity's activities and objectives, we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charity and focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements and operations of the charity. These included charity foundation constitutions, governance and policy matters, data protection, anti-bribery, employment, environmental and health & safety legislation; and
- we remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit and assessed the extent of compliance through discussions with management and examination of documentation.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement and obtained an understanding of how fraud might occur by:
- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was a susceptibility to fraud and their knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate the risk of fraud and non compliance with laws and regulations.

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To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify unusual or unexpected relationships;
- reviewed the nominal ledger and, specifically, journal entries to identify large or unusual transactions and investigated them; and
- we assessed the extent to which accounting entries relied on a high degree of judgement and/or estimation.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations we designed procedures which included:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to supporting documentation;
- reading minutes of trustee / management meetings, relevant regulators and the charity's professional advisers; and
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures outlined above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment and/or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulation 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Edward Thomas Peirson & Sons

Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
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Dated: 29 . 10 . 2021

Edward Thomas Peirson & Sons is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	General Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Income Funds £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:							
Donations and legacies	2	90	-	-	-	90	9,148
Charitable activities	3	102,106	-	-	-	102,106	98,340
Investments:							
From investment properties	4	95,438	-	-	-	95,438	98,512
From investment portfolio	4	458,630	-	-	-	458,630	560,334
Other		13	-	-	-	13	123
Total income and endowments		656,277	-	-	-	656,277	766,457
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Raising Funds	5	(34,727)	-	-	(48,016)	(82,743)	(87,645)
Charitable activities:							
Provision of grant funding	6	(761,318)	-	-	-	(761,318)	(644,408)
Other charitable activities	7	(124,322)	-	-	(16,258)	(140,580)	(160,484)
Total expenditure		(920,367)	-	-	(64,274)	(984,641)	(892,537)
Net income/(expenditure) before gains/(losses) on investments		(264,090)	-	-	(64,274)	(328,364)	(126,080)
GAINS/(LOSSES):							
On Investment properties:							
Realised		-	-	-	-	-	-
Unrealised	14	-	-	-	(53,675)	(53,675)	(85,216)
On Investments:							
Realised	15	14,832	-	-	(97,979)	(83,147)	105,253
Unrealised	15	82,007	-	-	63,561	145,568	1,602,507
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		(167,251)	-	-	(152,367)	(319,618)	1,496,464
Net transfers between funds	18	303,922	(303,922)	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) for the period		136,671	(303,922)	-	(152,367)	(319,618)	1,496,464
OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS/(LOSSES):							
On revaluation of Tangible Fixed Assets	12	(102,725)	-	-	(572,968)	(675,693)	-
Net movements in funds		33,946	(303,922)	-	(725,335)	(995,311)	1,496,464
Total funds brought forward		520,965	1,103,712	6,087	19,706,977	21,337,741	19,841,277
Total funds carried forward		554,911	799,790	6,087	18,981,642	20,342,430	21,337,741

All activities relate to continuing operations.

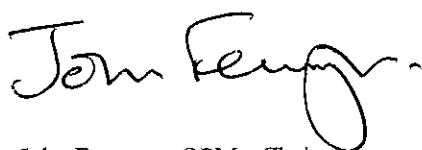
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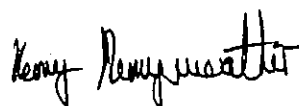
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020	As At 31 December 2019
		£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible fixed assets	12		
Freehold land and buildings		1,984,971	2,685,375
Fixtures and fittings		4,887	6,719
Office equipment		5,350	7,897
		<u>1,995,208</u>	<u>2,699,991</u>
Intangible fixed assets	13		
Basic Payment Scheme entitlements		5,682	-
Investments			
Investment properties	14	2,520,000	2,573,675
Investment portfolio	15	15,478,477	15,711,775
		<u>17,998,477</u>	<u>18,285,450</u>
		<u>19,999,367</u>	<u>20,985,441</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors	16	43,262	16,297
Cash at bank and on deposit		365,850	421,766
Cash in hand		657	196
		<u>409,769</u>	<u>438,259</u>
Creditors payable within one year	17	(66,706)	(85,959)
Net Current Assets		<u>343,063</u>	<u>352,300</u>
Net Assets		<u>20,342,430</u>	<u>21,337,741</u>
Funds	18		
Unrestricted funds			
General funds		554,911	520,965
Designated funds		799,790	1,103,712
		<u>1,354,701</u>	<u>1,624,677</u>
Restricted funds			
Income funds		6,087	6,087
Endowment funds		18,981,642	19,706,977
Total Funds		<u>20,342,430</u>	<u>21,337,741</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 27 October 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



John Feavyour QPM - Chair



Kerry Merryweather - Trustee

The notes on pages 21 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net movements in funds per Statement of Financial Activities	(995,311)	1,496,464
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation & Amortisation Charges	29,529	28,833
(Gains)/Losses on investment properties:		
Realised	-	-
Unrealised	53,675	85,216
(Gains)/Losses on investments:		
Realised	83,147	(105,253)
Unrealised	(145,568)	(1,602,507)
Dividends, rents and interest receivable from:		
Investment properties	(95,438)	(98,512)
Investments	(458,630)	(560,334)
(Gains)/Losses on revaluation of Tangible Fixed Assets	675,693	-
(Increase)/Decrease in Debtors	3,126	(2,166)
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors	747	16,526
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(849,030)</u>	<u>(741,733)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Rents received from investment properties	47,438	98,512
Dividends and interest received from investments	456,539	568,902
Purchase of Tangible Fixed Assets	-	(10,187)
Purchase of Intangible Fixed Assets	(6,121)	-
Proceeds of Sale of Investments	2,586,457	1,606,492
Purchase of Investments	(2,342,206)	(1,495,493)
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>742,107</u>	<u>768,226</u>
NET CHANGE IN CASH IN THE REPORTING PERIOD	(106,923)	26,493
Cash brought forward	568,024	541,531
CASH CARRIED FORWARD	<u>461,101</u>	<u>568,024</u>
Cash Carried Forward represents:		
Cash held in investment portfolio awaiting investment	94,594	146,062
Cash at bank and in hand held on instant access and short term deposits	365,850	421,766
Cash in Hand	657	196
	<u>461,101</u>	<u>568,024</u>

The notes on pages 21 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with:

- 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) issued in October 2019 ("SORP (FRS 102)");
- The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("FRS 102");
- The Charities Act 2011; and
- UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following SORP (FRS 102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The going concern basis and historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of freehold land and investments at fair value, have been used in preparing the financial statements.

(b) GOING CONCERN ASSESSMENT AND THE EFFECTS OF COVID-19

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The most significant area of uncertainty, which affects the continuing income of the Charity, are the levels of investment return and performance of investment markets. Note 15 to the financial statements provides detail of the action taken by the Trustees to mitigate the risks involved. Designated reserves have been established to ensure that adequate funds are available to meet pledges made by the Charity at the balance sheet date in the event that the associated conditions are met by the intended beneficiaries.

The Covid-19 outbreak was widely detected in the UK from February 2020 and soon after was declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organisation. Initially, the pandemic created turmoil in the financial markets with the result that the investment portfolio fell in value by more than £2.5million in the first quarter of the year. Whilst most of the unrealised loss was reflected in the Endowment fund, certain of the assets in the portfolio form part of the General fund and falls in the values of these investments resulted in the free reserves (i.e. those that are not designated for specific purposes or represented by fixed assets) being reduced to below £50,000 at 31 March 2020.

During this time, the Trustees liaised closely with the Charities investment managers to ensure that the value of the General fund assets were protected in the event of further falls in the markets. Fortunately, the markets largely recovered over the remainder of the year and the value of the investments in the Endowment portfolio ended the year just £29,475 down on their opening position. Those in the General fund were £152,355 lower than at the start of the year but £249,195 had been liquidated in the year to assist with short-term cash flow.

Investment receipts in the year fell by more £112,000 and, as lower dividends are expected to continue, the Charity has reduced its projections for investment income receivable in 2021 in accordance with advice from its investment managers. Cash flows in the year were also adversely impacted by agreements reached with certain tenants of investment properties to defer rent receipts, however, the deferred amounts are expected to be recovered in 2021. Furthermore, almost £175,000 of the designated reserve for grants is not expected to require payment within twelve months of the balance sheet date and typically only between 30% and 40% of annual income is required to cover the Charity expenditure other than the payment of grants. Therefore, whilst the Trustees accept that grant making may have to be restricted to a level below that of recent years they confidently expect that the Charity will have the cash flows to be able to satisfy existing pledges and to continue to make meaningful grant awards for the foreseeable future.

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(b) GOING CONCERN ASSESSMENT AND THE EFFECTS OF COVID-19 (continued)

It was recognised that the value of both investment properties and those used for operational/charitable purposes would have been affected as a consequence of the pandemic. Ordinarily a full independent valuation of these assets would have been undertaken as at 31 December 2019 as part of the policy for triennial valuations. However, as a full valuation had not been commissioned by the time that the pandemic struck, the Trustees decided to defer the exercise until 31 December 2020 when property markets should have stabilised. The valuations are reflected in these financial statements and overall there is a net reduction in value of £729,368 from the previous carrying value.

Although the Charity has been required to close its offices during lockdown it has continued to operate, with staff and Trustees working remotely, and has been engaging with a number of organisations which have a critical role to play in the community. As lockdown eases and people begin to return to work, we are aware that there will be many needs, both for individuals and for organisations and the Trustees see this as an opportunity for the Charity to play vital role in the bounce back within the local community.

(c) INCOME RECOGNITION

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

Charitable activities income comprises contributions due from the tenants of the almshouses and rents and similar amounts receivable from the Cricket Club, SSSI, Old Grammar School and the allotments. These properties are held for charitable purposes and the income arising represents less than a market rent.

Investment income represents rental income from commercial properties and farm land, which are held by the Charity for their investment potential, together with interest and dividends on stocks, shares and bank deposits held on the endowment and unrestricted funds. Such income is recognised on a receivable basis and where appropriate, this includes the income tax recoverable.

Incoming resources from investments (including investment properties) held as part of the endowment fund are unrestricted.

Wherever possible, income is reported gross of any related expenditure. However, in the case of investment management costs within managed funds it is not always practicable to identify such costs with reasonable accuracy and, therefore, the investment income is reported net of these costs.

In accordance with SORP (FRS 102) no amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time.

(d) EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payment to third parties, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. As the Charity is not registered for VAT, all expenditure is shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Expenditure is categorised under the following headings:

Raising funds This represents: costs of managing and maintaining the Charity's investment properties; investment portfolio management fees; promotional and website costs aimed at potential donors; and production costs of the Old Grammar School booklets.

Charitable activities Costs under this heading fall into two distinct categories:

- Grants paid to individuals and organisations as approved by the Trustees in accordance with the Charity's Constitution; and
- The costs incurred in providing and maintaining the almshouses, the Old Grammar School; the allotments and the Site of Special Scientific Interest.

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(d) EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION (continued)

Where unconditional grants are offered the expenditure is accrued as soon as the recipient is notified of the grant and there is a reasonable expectation that it will be paid. Where grants are pledged, but payment is conditional on the performance of the recipient, the amount is not recognised as an expense until the conditions have been fulfilled. However, an amount equivalent to that pledged is transferred to a designated reserve.

(e) ALLOCATION OF COSTS

Costs which are directly attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute directly to more than one activity are apportioned between those activities on the basis of usage by each activity.

Support costs represent the remaining costs that are not capable of direct attribution. They have been allocated between the categories of raising funds and charitable activities in accordance with the basis specified in Note 7.

Governance costs, which represent the expenses of Trustees' meetings and legal and professional fees related to the running and management of the Charity (including external audit fees), are included within the heading of support costs.

The allocation process involves a significant element of judgement as the charity has to consider the cost of detailed calculations and record keeping with the resultant benefit.

(f) OPERATING LEASES

Rentals payable and receivable under operating leases are charged/credited in the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

(g) TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS INCLUDING HERITAGE ASSETS

Freehold land, comprising the allotments and cricket club land, are included at their estimated open market value based on a professional valuation which is usually undertaken every three years. A revaluation was due as at 31 December 2019. However, due to the uncertainty created in the property markets by the global Covid-19 pandemic, the Trustees decided to delay commissioning a valuation until 31 December 2020. Any unrealised gains or losses are credited or charged to the SOFA as they arise. No depreciation is provided on such assets.

The Old Grammar School, as more fully explained in Note 12, is a Heritage Asset which forms part of the Charity's Permanent Endowment. There is no record of the original cost of the building and the Trustees consider that there are no suitable or cost-effective techniques available to ascertain a reliable valuation for the property. Accordingly no cost or valuation is attributed to the property in these financial statements.

All other assets are recorded at cost/valuation less accumulated depreciation. The cost of minor additions to fixed assets, defined as those costing less than £2,000 each, are expensed in the year in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost/valuation, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life as follows:

Freehold property for operational use	- over 50 years
Improvements to cricket club buildings	- over the period of the lease to the cricket club
Almshouse buildings	- over 50 years
Almshouse fixtures	- over 7 years
Office equipment	- 25% per annum

The depreciation charge of assets held with Endowment Fund is charged to that fund. All other depreciation is charged to the General Fund.

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(h) INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Intangible fixed assets represent Basic Payment Scheme entitlements purchased by the Charity, which are initially recognised at cost. Subject to an annual impairment review, they are being amortised on a straight line basis so as to fully write off their cost by the end of 2027, in accordance with UK Government policy to phase out Direct Payments under the scheme over this period. The assets form part of the Endowment Fund and the amortization is charged to that fund.

(i) INVESTMENTS

Investments comprise investment properties and securities held within an investment portfolio and are initially recorded at their transaction price (including costs).

Investment properties are subsequently recorded at their estimated open market value at the end of each financial year. This estimate is based on an independent formal valuation, which is usually undertaken every three years, and by the Trustees in the intervening years based on independent advice from a desktop review of the most recent formal valuation. The last formal valuation was undertaken as at 31 December 2020. Investment properties are not depreciated.

Investments within the portfolio are revalued annually at their market value on the last day of the financial year. All investments are a form of basic financial instrument which are traded in quoted public markets. The Charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between the sale proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or subsequent cost. Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values between valuations. Both types of gains and losses are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year of gain or loss.

(j) DEBTORS AND CREDITORS RECEIVABLE/PAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Debtors and creditors receivable and payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are included within expenditure.

(k) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Whilst cash held by investment managers awaiting investment is in this category, such balances are included in the balance sheet within the value of the investment portfolio.

(l) FUND ACCOUNTING

The Charity has various types of funds for which it is responsible and which require separate disclosure. These are as follows:

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the Charity's objectives.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds which the Trustees have earmarked for particular purposes. Details of the nature and purpose of each designated fund is set out in Note 16. Transfers from general funds to designated funds are stated at amounts that the Trustees deem necessary to meet their known and anticipated future obligations.

Restricted income funds are funds which have restrictions placed on them by the donor that require them to be spent only for specified purposes.

Endowment Funds are capital funds which the Trustees cannot spend. The income arising from the endowment funds is unrestricted.

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2	DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	2020	General Fund	Restricted Fund
		£	2019	2019
			£	£
	Miscellaneous donations & Gift Aid tax recovery	90	3,061	-
	Market Harborough Musical Theatre	-	-	6,087
		90	3,061	6,087
3	INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	2020	General Fund	
		£	2019	
			£	
	Contributions from almshouse tenants	78,478		77,382
	Old Grammar School rent	780		5,800
	Allotment rents	4,813		4,930
	Market Harborough Cricket Club rental income	6,490		6,490
	Countryside Stewardship & other SSSI grants	11,545		3,738
		102,106		98,340
4	INVESTMENT INCOME	2020	General Fund	
		£	2019	
			£	
	From investment properties:			
	Rental income from commercial High Street properties	90,000		90,000
	Farm Land	5,438		8,512
		95,438		98,512
	From investment portfolio:			
	Interest on UK fixed interest securities and Treasury stock	7,219		9,731
	Dividends receivable from equity shares	85,165		123,263
	Dividends receivable from collective investment funds	224,463		278,997
	Dividends receivable from COIF Units	141,008		146,454
	Interest on cash deposits	775		1,889
		458,630		560,334
5	EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS	2020	2019	
		£	£	£
GENERAL FUND				
Commercial property management				
	Steward's salary & on-costs	-	2,794	
	Secretarial salaries & on-costs	1,614	2,222	
	Insurance	1,698	1,601	
	Repairs and maintenance	3,875	504	
	Legal & professional fees	7,661	576	
	Support costs (Note 8)	6,408	13,854	
		21,256		21,551
Investment management				
	Steward's salary & on-costs	-	70	
	Investment manager's fees	6,338	7,214	
	Support costs (Note 8)	3,792	4,114	
		10,130		11,398
Website & other promotional costs				
		3,341		4,583
		34,727		37,532

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5 EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS (continued)		2020	2019
ENDOWMENT FUND		£	£
Investment management			
Investment manager's fees		40,092	41,668
Investment property management fees		2,100	3,060
Cricket Club - Depreciation of changing rooms		5,385	5,385
Amortisation of Intangible Assets		439	-
		<u>48,016</u>	<u>50,113</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS		<u>82,743</u>	<u>87,645</u>
6 EXPENDITURE ON PROVISION OF GRANT FUNDING		2020	2019
GENERAL FUND			
Grants to institutions or for specific purposes		£	£
Institution	Purpose of grant		
Market Harborough Tennis Club	Construction of a new pavilion	114,000	
Market Harborough Medical Centre	Mental Health Initiative	60,000	
Market Harborough Cricket & Squash Club	Provision of a Padel Court	50,000	
Voluntary Action South Leicestershire	Core running costs over a five year period	34,664	
Voluntary Action South Leicestershire	Funding of drivers for transport scheme	20,250	
Home-Start South Leicestershire	Family Know-How Project	20,000	
Home-Start South Leicestershire	Post Natal Illness Project	20,000	
LOROS	End of Life Support Patient Unit	17,960	
Harborough Christian Counselling Service	Operating costs over a five year period	12,500	
Leicestershire Action for Mental Health	Mental health advocacy project	10,000	
Harborough Anglican Team	Training of Youth Workers	9,595	
Harborough Youth and Community Trust	New office space at The Cube	6,000	
Harborough Community Bus	Extension and carport canopy for garage	5,000	
Shopmobility Market Harborough	Storage shed for equipment	3,101	
Others, each £3,000 and under	Various - 12 in total	19,138	
		<u>402,208</u>	<u>327,637</u>
Part repayment of grants made in previous periods:			
Market Harborough Town Football Club	Clubhouse redevelopment	-	(1,626)
		<u>402,208</u>	<u>326,011</u>
Education Bursary Fund Grants	Awards to a total of 6 (2020: 3) Academies	115,846	60,000
Grants to Church of St. Peter & St. Paul, Great Bowden - Repairs & maintenance		-	10,543
Grants to individuals			
Educational fund (129, 2019: 141)		135,750	118,979
Relief in Need £1,000 and over (12, 2019: 15)		25,589	27,030
Relief in Need less than £1,000 (55, 2019: 42)		17,410	14,786
		<u>696,803</u>	<u>557,349</u>
Total grants paid		<u>696,803</u>	<u>557,349</u>
Steward's fees & associated costs		-	70
Secretarial salary & on-costs		18,623	22,699
Caseworker's costs		70	195
Communications strategy, advertising and website development costs		6,683	9,673
Support costs (Note 8)		39,139	54,422
Total		<u>761,318</u>	<u>644,408</u>

Further analysis of grants paid in the year by nature of activity being supported is contained within the Report of the Trustees.

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7 EXPENDITURE ON OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

		2020		2019	
		£	£	£	£
GENERAL FUND					
Almshouses:	Steward's salary & on-costs	-		349	
	Secretarial salary & on-costs	7,705		4,993	
	Insurance	1,023		965	
	Utilities (including lifeline)	15,318		16,762	
	Repairs and maintenance	16,646		56,975	
	Council Tax in void period & other miscellaneous costs	754		275	
	Website & promotional costs	3,341		4,583	
	Legal & professional fees	2,262		192	
	Depreciation of fixtures & fittings	1,832		1,832	
	Support costs (Note 8)	16,895		14,166	
			65,776		101,092
Old Grammar School:	Steward's salary & on-costs	-		70	
	Secretarial salary & on-costs	2,667		2,771	
	Insurance	1,452		1,369	
	Repairs, maintenance & utilities	4,169		11,502	
	Legal & professional fees	754		64	
	Support costs (Note 8)	4,889		6,361	
			13,931		22,137
Allotments:	Steward's salary & on-costs	-		70	
	Secretarial salary & on-costs	6,091		2,772	
	Repairs and maintenance	2,995		1,908	
	Website & promotional costs	3,341		4,583	
	Legal & professional fees	1,508		478	
	Water & miscellaneous expenses	1,963		2,071	
	Support costs (Note 8)	11,294		6,360	
			27,192		18,242
Site of Special Scientific Interest:	Steward's salary & on-costs	-		70	
	Secretarial salary & on-costs	489		-	
	Repairs and maintenance	13,622		2,293	
	Legal & professional fees	2,333		192	
	Support costs (Note 8)	979		200	
			17,423		2,755
			124,322		144,226
ENDOWMENT FUND					
Depreciation of Almshouses		16,258		16,258	
		16,258		16,258	
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		140,580		160,484	

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8 ANALYSIS AND ALLOCATION OF SUPPORT COSTS

Support costs, as detailed below, have been allocated to resources expended as follows:

Support Costs					
RESOURCES EXPENDED:	Governance Costs £	Office Costs £	Accounts & Finance £	Total £	2019 Total £
General Fund:					
Expenditure on raising funds :					
Commercial property management	927	1,689	3,792	6,408	13,854
Investment management	-	-	3,792	3,792	4,114
Expenditure on Charitable Activities:					
Grants payable	11,180	20,375	7,584	39,139	54,422
Almshouses	4,911	8,950	3,034	16,895	14,166
Old Grammar School	1,598	2,912	379	4,889	6,361
Allotments	3,867	7,048	379	11,294	6,360
SSSI	347	632	-	979	200
	22,830	41,606	18,960	83,396	99,477

Bases for support cost allocation:

Support costs are allocated between the various activities representing resources expended on the following bases:

Governance costs	Estimated time spent on each activity by the charity steward & secretaries
Secretarial support and office costs	Estimated time spent on each activity by the charity steward & secretaries
Accounts & finance	Estimated time spent on each activity by the charity accountants

The cost allocation includes an element of judgement as the charity has to consider the cost of detailed calculations and record keeping compared with the resultant benefit.

Governance costs included within support costs comprise:	2020 £	2019 £
Steward's fees & associated costs	-	3,492
Secretarial salary & on-costs	16,142	19,972
Legal and professional fees	1,570	8,806
Auditors remuneration	3,000	3,000
General insurance	1,466	1,382
Trustee indemnity insurance	652	614
General expenses (including training of trustees)	-	180
	22,830	37,446

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9 AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

The amounts payable to the Auditors', Edward Thomas Peirson & Sons, were as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
For audit services	3,000	3,000
For other assurance services	18,960	19,572
Total	<u>21,960</u>	<u>22,572</u>

The other assurance services provided by Edward Thomas Peirson & Sons included: preparation of the financial statements for the year; assistance to the Trustees in the financial management of the charity's affairs by the preparation of quarterly management accounts; and payroll services.

No member of the firm's audit team was involved in the provision of these other services.

10 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND REIMBURSED EXPENDITURE

None of the Trustees received remuneration for their services in the year or preceding year.

Aggregate expenses of £931 were reimbursed during the year to two trustees (2019: £1,046 to one trustee). The reimbursed expenses in the both years related to sundry goods/services paid for on behalf of the charity.

Trustee indemnity insurance is included as part of the charity's overall insurance and the amount charged in these financial statements in this respect is £652 (2019: £614).

11 STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

The number of employees of the charity were as follows:

Activity	Involvement	2020	2019
Steward	Part time - Three days per week (Until 6 April 2019)	-	1
Secretarial	Full time	1	1
	Part time - Approx. 2.5 days per week	2	1

The aggregate payroll cost in respect of these employees was as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Salaries	51,506	53,607
Social security costs	3,492	3,959
Pension contributions	1,387	1,168
	<u>56,385</u>	<u>58,734</u>
Employment Allowance	(3,054)	(2,561)
	<u>53,331</u>	<u>56,173</u>

No employee had employment benefits in excess of £60,000 (2019: None).

The salary costs shown above include termination payments of £Nil (2019: £5,957).

The Steward and the Trustees are considered to be the key management personnel of the charity and the total amount paid for their services in the year (including social security and pension costs) was £Nil (2019: £7,003).

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12 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property for Operational Use £	Freehold Allotments Cricket Club & Other Land £	Almshouses Freehold Land & Buildings £	Fixtures & Fittings £	Office Equipment £	Total £
Cost or Valuation						
Brought forward	245,000	1,775,000	756,000	28,165	22,550	2,826,715
Revaluation	(115,000)	(1,332,000)	694,000	-	-	(753,000)
At 31 December 2020	130,000	443,000	1,450,000	28,165	22,550	2,073,715
Cumulative Depreciation						
Brought forward	9,206	32,645	48,774	21,446	14,653	126,724
Charge for the year	3,069	5,384	16,258	1,832	2,547	29,090
Revaluation	(12,275)	-	(65,032)	-	-	(77,307)
At 31 December 2020	-	38,029	-	23,278	17,200	78,507
Net Book Value						
At 31 December 2020	130,000	404,971	1,450,000	4,887	5,350	1,995,208
At 31 December 2019	235,794	1,742,355	707,226	6,719	7,897	2,699,991

Cost or valuation at 31 December 2020 is represented by:

Valuation						
31 December 2020	130,000	383,000	1,450,000	-	-	1,963,000
Cost	-	60,000	-	28,165	22,550	110,715
	130,000	443,000	1,450,000	28,165	22,550	2,073,715

Basis for inclusion in the accounts

Freehold property for operational use is the premises at 10, Fairfield Road, Market Harborough which the charity purchased and subsequently redeveloped and refurbished as the charity's office. Depreciation commenced when the premises were first brought into use. No depreciation was provided on the estimated land value of £100,000, which is included in the total cost/valuation at the start of the year.

All of the freehold properties were revalued, with effect from 31 December 2020, at their open market value by Fisher German LLP, Chartered Surveyors. In addition, included within the cost or valuation of Allotments, Cricket Club & Other land, is £60,000 representing the cost to the charity of its contribution, as landlord, to the construction of new changing rooms for the Cricket Club and an extension of the courts to its Squash section. Depreciation of these costs commenced on the completion of the relevant works using a straight line basis over the remaining period of the lease.

Had the properties not been revalued they would have been included at the following historical cost:

	As At 31 December 2020			As At 31 December 2019		
	Property for Operational Use £	Allotments Cricket Club & Other Land £	Almshouses £	Property for Operational Use £	Allotments Cricket Club & Other Land £	Almshouses £
Cost	257,470	68,962	231,697	257,470	68,962	231,697
Aggregate depreciation	21,246	38,029	137,509	18,097	32,644	134,644
Net Book Value	236,224	30,933	94,188	239,373	36,318	97,053

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12 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)

Heritage Assets

In addition to the assets shown above, the Charity owns a 17th Century building known as the Old Grammar School, Market Harborough, which was vested in the Charity during 2005 together with the other assets of the Market Harborough Exhibition Foundation Charity. The Old Grammar School is a local landmark and a listed building of significant historical and architectural importance, which the Trustees intend will form part of the Charity's permanent endowment to be maintained and preserved for its cultural significance to the town. Prior to the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Charity made the building available for hire by the public, on a daily basis, in exchange for a specified contribution towards the annual running costs.

There is no information readily available as to the original cost of the building and the Trustees consider that there are no suitable techniques available to ascertain a reliable valuation for the property, certainly not without involving the Charity in significant costs which would outweigh any benefit.

As a result, in accordance with the permitted treatment for heritage assets in SORP (FRS 102) the Old Grammar School is not recognised as an asset in the Charity's balance sheet.

13 INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-19
	£	£
Cost		
Brought forward	-	-
Additions	6,121	-
At 31 December 2020	<u>6,121</u>	<u>-</u>
Cumulative Amortisation		
Brought forward	-	-
Charge for the year	439	-
At 31 December 2020	<u>439</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Book Value		
At 31 December 2020	<u>5,682</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31 December 2019	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Intangible assets represent Basic Payment Scheme entitlements.

14 INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-19
	£	£
Valuation at the beginning of the year	2,573,675	2,658,891
Additions at cost	-	-
Unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation	(53,675)	(85,216)
Valuation at the end of the year	<u>2,520,000</u>	<u>2,573,675</u>
Historical cost at the end of the year	<u>562,312</u>	<u>562,312</u>

The investment properties comprise various parcels of land and four retail shops, of which three have been converted into one, situated in High Street, Market Harborough. A formal open market valuation of these assets was undertaken by Fisher German LLP, Chartered Surveyors as at 31 December 2020 and is incorporated in these financial statements.

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14 INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

The Land in the charity's ownership includes:

Approximately 116.65 acres of farm land which is let in the year on a seasonal grazing licence. The property is subject to a restrictive covenant in favour of two predecessors in title whereby, in the event of any subsequent non-agricultural development being permitted, the charity will be required to pay 33% of any defined increase in value. The covenant extends to forty years from the date of grant;

Land situated a short distance to the north of Great Bowden village comprising 13.03 acres of grassland, which is let on seasonal grazing licences, and 6.45 acres which has been designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest ("SSSI"). The SSSI is subject to control by English Nature and the charity works closely with the Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust in ensuring that the ecological value of the site is protected and where possible enhanced. This land is subject to a similar restrictive covenant to that described above in relation to the farm land.

Two small permanent pasture paddocks situated close to the western fringe of Market Harborough town. One of these paddocks is subject to a fifty-year covenant in favour of the predecessor in title which commits the charity to pay away 33% of any uplift in value as a result of subsequent development beyond agricultural use; and

Various strips of land retained by the charity following previous significant land sales. Certain of these strips provide a possible means of access and services from adopted highways into potential development land which is not within the charity's ownership. In particular, a developer has recently expressed an interest in renewing a previous option (now expired) granting them the right to acquire the ransom strip in the event that the developer obtains planning permission for development on certain adjacent property, entry to which would be serviced over the ransom strip. However, at the present time in view of the uncertainties affecting their value, the Trustees have decided not to attribute any value to them in these financial statements.

15 INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-19
	£	£
Market value at the beginning of the year	15,565,713	13,968,952
Acquisitions at cost	2,342,206	1,495,493
Sales proceeds from disposals	(2,586,457)	(1,606,492)
Realised gains/(losses) on disposals	(83,147)	105,253
Unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation	145,568	1,602,507
	<u>15,383,883</u>	<u>15,565,713</u>
Cash at bank on deposit/awaiting investment	94,594	146,062
Market value at the end of the year	<u>15,478,477</u>	<u>15,711,775</u>
Historical cost at the end of the year	<u>12,171,284</u>	<u>12,341,726</u>

The realised gains/(losses) on disposals are shared between funds as follows:

General fund	(97,979)	105,253
Endowment fund	14,832	-
	<u>(83,147)</u>	<u>105,253</u>

The unrealised gains/(losses) on disposals are shared between funds as follows:

General fund	63,561	1,443,749
Endowment fund	82,007	158,758
	<u>145,568</u>	<u>1,602,507</u>

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15 INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO (continued)

		31-Dec-20		31-Dec-19	
		£	%	£	%
Managed by Cave & Sons					
(no individual holding exceeds 5% of the total portfolio)					
UK Fixed interest securities and Treasury stock		240,341	1.56%	301,994	1.92%
UK Equity shares		649,797	4.20%	1,059,090	6.75%
UK investment trusts, unit trusts and OEIC's		2,329,208	15.07%	2,274,958	14.49%
Overseas equities		192,612	1.25%	200,233	1.28%
Managed by Cazenove Capital Management					
UK Bond funds	Schroder Sterling Corporate Bond	453,950	2.94%	411,320	2.62%
International Bond funds	Schroder ISF Strategic Credit C	346,933	2.24%	347,549	2.21%
UK Equity funds:	Equity Income Trust for Charities	628,048	4.06%	1,103,105	7.03%
	Trojan Income Fund (Class S)	638,574	4.13%	728,673	4.64%
Overseas Equity funds	Findlay Park American Fund Inc.	1,087,691	7.04%	1,093,680	6.97%
	M&G Global Dividend Inc.	932,989	6.04%	876,536	5.58%
	Fidelity Global Dividend Fund (Class W)	616,869	3.99%	601,794	3.83%
	Schroder Asia Alpha Plus	622,968	4.03%	482,260	3.07%
	Schroder European Alpha Inc.	-	0.00%	221,013	1.41%
	Blackrock Asian Dragon Fund	176,085	1.14%	150,660	0.96%
	Hermes Asian Ex-Japan Equity Fund	-	0.00%	142,090	0.91%
	Blackrock European Dynamic Fund	189,488	1.23%	-	0.00%
	Atlas Global Infrastructure Fund	111,590	0.72%	-	0.00%
	Wellington Global Health Care	109,735	0.71%	-	0.00%
	Polar Global Insurance Fund	112,967	0.73%	-	0.00%
	Robecco BP Global Premium Equities	225,820	1.46%	-	0.00%
	Spyglass US Growth Fund (UCITS)	163,370	1.06%	-	0.00%
Property Funds	The Charities Property Fund	551,177	3.57%	571,766	3.64%
Portfolio Funds	Troy Asset Mgt Trojan Fund S Inc.	557,642	3.61%	520,826	3.32%
Cash on deposit		70,276	0.45%	134,815	0.86%
Managed by CCLA Investment Management					
COIF Charities property fund		898,398	5.81%	946,144	6.03%
COIF UK Fixed interest fund		50,032	0.32%	97,444	0.62%
COIF Investment fund	Income Units	2,945,550	19.06%	2,768,487	17.63%
COIF Investment fund	Accumulation Units	242,376	1.57%	406,091	2.59%
COIF Global equity fund		309,674	2.01%	260,000	1.64%
		<u>15,454,160</u>	100.00%	<u>15,700,528</u>	100.00%

The investments in the portfolio are carried at their fair value which is the quoted market value in respect of equities and fixed interest securities and the bid price for units in common investment funds, unit trusts and open-ended investment companies. Investment sales and purchases are recognised at the date of trade at their transaction value, net of costs in the respect of sales and inclusive of costs in respect of purchases.

All investments are basic financial instruments traded on quoted public markets, primarily the London Stock Exchange. The Charity does not make use of derivatives and similar complex financial instruments as the Trustees take the view that investments are held for their longer term yield and total return and that any short-term volatility in the markets will normally be corrected in any five year period.

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15 INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO (continued)

Investment returns are exposed to various risks which include credit, liquidity and market risks. Both credit and liquidity risks are assessed as low as the Charity invests predominantly in blue-chip securities in which the failure rate is historically low and all investments are traded on markets in which central banks and other regulators have an interest in ensuring continuation of orderly trading.

Market risk is the principal risk faced by the Charity due to a combination of uncertainty in investment markets and volatility in yields. This was highlighted in the year by the effect of the global Covid-19 pandemic on the financial markets which resulted in sharp reductions in both prices and dividends, as further discussed in Note 1(b). In addition, interest rates remain at an all time low and are expected to remain so for the foreseeable future. These factors are of particular relevance to the Charity as it is reliant, in part, on dividends and interest to finance its grant making activities. As many of its collective investment funds include significant holdings in international equities and bonds which are denominated in foreign currencies, the Charity also has exposure to exchange rate risk.

The Trustees manage these risks by retaining the expert services of three separate fund managers, as shown in the above analysis of the portfolio, and in operating an investment policy which provides for a high degree of diversification of holdings within investment asset classes providing for a balance of income and long-term capital growth.

16 DEBTORS	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-19
	£	£
Accrued income	31,593	5,581
Prepayments	5,382	5,514
Income tax recoverable	6,287	5,202
	<u>43,262</u>	<u>16,297</u>

Accrued income includes £31,571 (2019: £2,565) and Income tax recoverable includes £5,850 (2019: £4,765), which is attributable to cash flows from investing activities.

17 CREDITORS PAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-19
	£	£
Accruals	59,885	57,063
Other creditors	6,820	28,896
Taxation & Social Security	1	-
	<u>66,706</u>	<u>85,959</u>

Included within the heading of accruals are grants payable with a total value of £3,767 (2019: £1,608)

Other creditors include £4,027 (2019: £24,027) which is attributable to cash flows from investing activities.

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18 STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	At 1 January 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Realised and Unrealised Gains or (Losses) £	Transfers from Designated Funds £	Transfers to Designated Funds £	At 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted funds:							
General funds							
Revenue	520,965	656,277	(920,367)	(5,886)	(306,709)	610,631	554,911
Designated funds							
For Grants:							
Charitable grants	621,212	-	-	-	126,709	(402,104)	345,817
Church of, St. Peter & St. Paul, Great Bowden	50,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000
Relief in Need grants	90,000	-	-	-	-	-	90,000
Educational grants	232,500	-	-	-	-	(92,681)	139,819
Educational bursary	30,000	-	-	-	180,000	(115,846)	94,154
For Repairs:							
Allotments & Commercial Properties:							
Extraordinary repair	30,000	-	-	-	-	-	30,000
Almshouse:							
Extraordinary repair	40,000	-	-	-	-	-	40,000
Old Grammar School:							
Extraordinary repair	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	10,000
Restricted fund:							
Income fund	6,087	-	-	-	-	-	6,087
Endowment fund	19,706,977	-	(64,274)	(661,061)	-	-	18,981,642
	<u>21,337,741</u>	<u>656,277</u>	<u>(984,641)</u>	<u>(666,947)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,342,430</u>

General Funds are unrestricted funds that the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the objects of the charity.

Designated Funds are unrestricted funds that have been earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes. These purposes fall into two categories: the payment of grants; and future repairs and maintenance. Specifically they are as follows:

Charitable Grants:

The charitable grants relate to amounts pledged by the Trustees for charitable purposes where no binding commitment exists at the balance sheet date. Transfers are made to this fund from the general fund for amounts pledged in the year which have not been paid by the year end. A transfer is made from this fund to the general fund for amounts pledged in previous years which have either been paid in the year or where the pledge has been withdrawn.

Church of St. Peter & St. Paul, Great Bowden:

One of the Charity's objects is the maintenance and repair of the fabric of the Parish Church of the ecclesiastical parish of St. Peter and St. Paul, Great Bowden. The income to be applied for this purpose must not exceed 20% of the Charity's income in any three year period. A designated reserve for the purpose of meeting this expenditure is maintained at a level to ensure that the charity has sufficient funds to meet its ongoing obligations based on advice from representatives of the P.C.C.

Relief in Need grants:

The charity makes donations to individuals to relieve need, hardship and distress, which are referred to as Relief in Need grants. In order to ensure that sufficient funds are available to continue to meet such needs, the Trustees have agreed to maintain a reserve approximately equivalent to the Relief in Need grants paid in the last three years.

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18 STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

Educational grants and bursary funds:

The Trustees invite applications from individuals for assistance with tuition fees and expenses for a first degree at a British university and for equipment and costs associated with apprenticeships and vocational training. A fund is maintained at a value which will enable the charity to meet its obligations to pay the fees of the successful applicants over the remainder of their courses. In addition, a fund is maintained to enable the charity to award bursaries, over a three year period, of up to £180,000 per annum, to schools within the area of benefit. This equates to a maximum of £20,000 per school per annum and the bursaries may be used for a wide range of educational purposes.

Repair funds:

The Extraordinary Repair Funds are established to cover the cost of non routine maintenance of the charity's properties.

Separate repair funds are maintained in respect of: the Allotments & Commercial Properties; and the Almshouses.

Amounts are transferred to these funds and are released back to the General Fund as the Trustees consider appropriate to offset the cost of non routine maintenance on the properties. The aggregate funds are to be maintained between a minimum of £50,000 and a maximum of £100,000.

An extraordinary repair fund is maintained for the Old Grammar School. The Old Grammar School is an ancient building which is in regular need of maintenance and repair. Following a major restoration project which was completed during 2014, the current ongoing commitment for expenditure has been substantially reduced and this is reflected in the level of reserves maintained for this purpose.

Restricted income funds represent funds donated to the Charity by the Market Harborough Musical Theatre on the understanding that they are to be applied to support performing arts in the area of benefit.

The Endowment Fund represents the permanent capital of the Charity. These funds must be held indefinitely and the Trustees have no power to convert the capital into funds which may be spent.

The movements in funds in the previous financial year were as follows:

	At 1 January 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Realised and Unrealised Gains or (Losses) £	Transfers from Designated Funds £	Transfers to Designated Funds £	At 31 December 2019 £
Unrestricted funds:							
General funds							
Revenue	728,645	760,370	(826,166)	158,758	299,409	(600,051)	520,965
Designated funds							
For Grants:							
Charitable grants	398,070	-	-	-	(389,409)	612,551	621,212
Church of. St. Peter & St. Paul, Great Bowden	50,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000
Relief in Need grants	90,000	-	-	-	-	-	90,000
Educational grants	185,000	-	-	-	-	47,500	232,500
Educational bursary	-	-	-	-	90,000	(60,000)	30,000
For Repairs:							
Allotments & Commercial Properties:							
Extraordinary repair	30,000	-	-	-	-	-	30,000
Almshouse:							
Extraordinary repair	40,000	-	-	-	-	-	40,000
Old Grammar School:							
Extraordinary repair	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	10,000
Carried forward	1,531,715	760,370	(826,166)	158,758	-	-	1,624,677

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18 STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

	At 1 January 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Realised and Unrealised Gains or (Losses) £	Transfers from Designated Funds £	Transfers to Designated Funds £	At 31 December 2019 £
Unrestricted funds:							
Brought forward	1,531,715	760,370	(826,166)	158,758	-	-	1,624,677
Restricted fund:							
Income fund	-	6,087	-	-	-	-	6,087
Endowment fund	18,309,562	-	(66,371)	1,463,786	-	-	19,706,977
	<u>19,841,277</u>	<u>766,457</u>	<u>(892,537)</u>	<u>1,622,544</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,337,741</u>

19 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

As at 31 December 2020	General Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	140,237	-	-	1,854,971	1,995,208
Intangible fixed assets	-	-	-	5,682	5,682
Investment properties	-	-	-	2,520,000	2,520,000
Investment portfolio	136,640	799,790	-	14,447,453	15,383,883
Cash held for investment	-	-	-	94,594	94,594
Sundry Debtors	43,262	-	-	-	43,262
Cash at Bank on Deposit	290,388	-	6,087	69,375	365,850
Cash in hand	657	-	-	-	657
Current Liabilities	(56,273)	-	-	(10,433)	(66,706)
Total Net Assets	<u>554,911</u>	<u>799,790</u>	<u>6,087</u>	<u>18,981,642</u>	<u>20,342,430</u>

As at 31 December 2019	General Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	250,410	-	-	2,449,581	2,699,991
Investment properties	-	-	-	2,573,675	2,573,675
Investment portfolio	-	1,088,785	-	14,476,928	15,565,713
Cash held for investment	-	-	-	146,062	146,062
Sundry Debtors	16,297	-	-	-	16,297
Cash at Bank on Deposit	329,556	14,927	6,087	71,196	421,766
Cash in hand	196	-	-	-	196
Current Liabilities	(75,494)	-	-	(10,465)	(85,959)
Total Net Assets	<u>520,965</u>	<u>1,103,712</u>	<u>6,087</u>	<u>19,706,977</u>	<u>21,337,741</u>

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20 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The total minimum lease payments to which the Charity is committed under an operating lease for office equipment is shown below:

	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-19
	£	£
Payments due:		
Within one Year	-	-
In two to five years	1,721	2,294
Total	<u>1,721</u>	<u>2,294</u>

Lease payments recognised as an expense in the Statement of Financial Activities amounted to £574 (2019: £574).

21 OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Commitments for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets, which were contracted for but not provided in the financial statements, amounted to £Nil (2019: £Nil).

22 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

At various times during the year the Charity has received applications for grants from other charitable organisations which have certain trustees in common with the Charity. In accordance with the Charity's procedures, the relevant trustees declared their interest and did not take part in any of the discussions relating to the grant application.

There were no other transactions with related parties during the year or the preceding financial year.