

National Spitfire Project
Trustees' report and financial statements

Charity registered number 1158286
for the year ended 31 October 2020

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Officers and professional advisors

Trustees

John Hannides (Chairman)
Grant Harrison
Jamie Barrett
Royston Smith (Appointed 7th August 2020)
Paul Lester (Appointed 7th August 2020)
Geoff Walker (Appointed 19th August 2021)

Registered office and principal address for the year

18 Bassett Wood Drive
Southampton
SO16 3PT

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc
68 Above Bar Street
Southampton
SO14 2DS

Accountant

N/A

Charity registration number

1158286

Trustees' Report

The trustees present their annual report on the affairs of the charity, together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2020

Trustees

The trustees, who served during the year were:

John Hannides (Chairman)
Grant Harrison
Jamie Barrett
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Paul Lester (Appointed 7th August 2020)

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Structure, governance and management

The charity was set up in accordance with the Charity Commission's advice and guidance. The National Spitfire Project was incorporated as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on the 19th August 2014, and prepared its sixth set of accounts for the year ended 31st October 2020. As set out in the Constitution, nominated trustees must be approved by a formal board meeting. Appointed trustees must stand for re-election every 3 years. From year 3, one third of the trustees will resign each year at the AGM of the charity (based on a rota-system) but can stand again for re-election at the same meeting. When looking for new trustees to nominate, the trustee board undertakes a skills audit to highlight the areas desired by the charity and those currently lacking or under-represented.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the charity. All of the trustees are members of the charity but have no liability to contribute to its assets and no personal responsibility for settling its debts or liabilities.

New trustees are issued with a comprehensive pack briefing them on their responsibilities and legal obligations plus key information about the charity such as the constitution and a copy of the latest Annual report and statement of accounts.

The board of trustees administer the charity.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives for which the charity is established are to advance the education of the public in the history of the design and development of the Spitfire aircraft and its role in the Second World War including, but without limitation, the erection and maintenance of a memorial to the Spitfire and its designer R J Mitchell in the City of Southampton.

The Trustees identified and met with key stakeholders to elicit pledges and support to assist in the building of the monument. A website was constructed and marketing material produced. Companies such as Blake Morgan LLP, Evolution 5, and KPMG LLP have been successfully engaged on a pro bono basis.

Solent Sky Museum provided office accommodation for the project until July 2016 which gave the project a public face and the opportunity to advance the education of the public in the history of the design and development of the Spitfire aircraft and its role in the Second World War.

In August 2016, the project was put on hold to await the outcome of the possible delay of the Waterfront project and also to ensure that the possibility of Government funding was still an option following the resignation of the Prime Minister.

Achievements and performance

Initial planning approval was given by Southampton City Council to develop the site for the monument in Mayflower Park. The monument has been accepted as central to the development of Southampton's £450m Waterfront project. During this reporting period Southampton City Council announced the proposals will not proceed with the intended developers and will engage with prospective developers to come forward with new plans at the appropriate time. In view of the certainty this provides, the scheme for the Spitfire monument will proceed as a standalone project. The need to incorporate phasing with developers is no longer applicable

The groundwork, detailed costing and a feasibility study were completed regarding the design and location of the monument. Southampton University provided advice on the design and recommended a number of cost effective changes to utilize the latest technological advances to ensure that the monument withstood severe weather conditions and was more easily maintained. The Waterfront Project has not progressed and further delays are anticipated. As a standalone construction the monument can be built separate to the works required for the Waterfront development and, subject to funding, will proceed independently.

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Financial review

There was a very low level of activity, principally caused by the Coronavirus pandemic, the income recorded for the financial year was £0 (2019 £332) and only modest expenditure incurred of £1 in bank charges (2019 £60).

The Trustees believe that the project will in the future become a going concern, especially with matched funding from the Government. The Government announced in the April Budget 2020, it has allocated match funding up to £3m for the project, thanks to the support of the Southampton Itchen MP. This support has been re-affirmed following the impact on progress caused by the pandemic. With the detailed plans for the spectacular Spitfire monument in place and the continued support of Southampton City Council and local MP, the Trustees are convinced that their vision will be achieved.

The Trustees wish to acknowledge the tremendous support they received this year from many companies, in particular Blake Morgan Solicitors LLP, KPMG LLP, Southampton University and Southampton Councils.

Funds held as Custodian Trustee

The charity does not have any custodian trustee arrangements.

Trustees' Annual Report (*continued*)

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities in respect of the trustees' annual report and financial statements

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have are required to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland*).

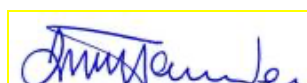
Under charity law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the excess of income over expenditure for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the charity and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The Trustees; Report was approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:



J Hannides
Chairman
20 August 2021

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Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating the income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31st October 2020

		Unrestricted funds	Total funds	Unrestricted funds	Total funds
		2020	2020	2019	2019
		£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations	4	-	-	200	200
HMRC refunds		-	-	132	132
		<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total Income		-	-	332	332
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	5	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	5	1	1	319	319
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Total Expenditure		1	1	319	319
Net movement in funds		(1)	(1)	13	13
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds at beginning of period		837	837	824	824
Total funds at end of period		836	836	837	837
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There are no other recognised gains or losses other than those listed above and the net income for the year. All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities and unrestricted funds.


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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As at 31 October 2020

	<i>Note</i>	2020		2019	
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	8	-		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		836		837	
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		836		837	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one period	9	-		-	
Net current assets/(liabilities)		836		837	
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Total assets less current liabilities		836		837	
		<hr/>		<hr/>	
The funds of the charity:					
Unrestricted funds		836		837	
		<hr/>		<hr/>	
Total charity funds/(deficit)		836		837	
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These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 20 August 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



J Hannides
Chairman
Charity register number: 1158286

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Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended 31 October 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income for the year	-	13
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	-	-
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	-	-
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Net cash inflow from operating activities	-	1313
Net increase/decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(1)	13
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	837	824
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Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	836	837
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Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1. Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The organisation is a registered charity.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015)" applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), effective 1 January 2015.

The particular policies adopted by the Trustees are described below and have been applied consistently throughout the period.

The presentation currency of these financial statements is sterling. All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest £1.

The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

1.1 Going concern

Although the accounts show reserves totaling £808, comprising of unrestricted funds, the charity continues to seek funds through further donations. On this basis the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

1.2 Donation income

Income is recognised in the year in which the charity is entitled to receipt, and when the amount can be recognised with reasonable certainty. Gift in kind income and expenditure is recognized when the service is received

1.3 Expenditure

Resources expended are included in the statement of financial activities on an accruals basis, exclusive of VAT which can be recovered.

1.4 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and has no liability to corporation tax on its charitable activities.

1.5 Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are divided between unrestricted and restricted general funds. The unrestricted funds can be used, in accordance with charitable objectives, at the discretions of the trustees. The restricted funds must be used in accordance with the wishes of the donor.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and comprises cash in hand and deposits repayable on demand.

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2. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on experience and other factors considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The trustees do not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure beyond the accounting policies listed above.

3. Donation income

	Year ended 31 October 2020	Year ended 31 October 2019
	£	£
Donations from entities	-	-
Donations from individuals	-	200
Gifts in kind	-	1250
	-	1450
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Notes (continued)
(forming part of the financial statements)

4. Analysis of support costs

	Direct costs	Allocation of Support costs	Total
	£	£	£
Raising funds	-	-	-
Charitable activities	1	-	1
Support costs	-	-	-
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	1	-	1
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The support costs have been allocated to charitable expenditure due to the charity putting fund raising on hold. This was deemed to be the most appropriate by the trustees. This will be reviewed in future years.

5. Trustees

The trustees of the charity complete their role as a trustee without remuneration. The charity reimbursed trustees £nil during the year, for expenses incurred on behalf of the charity.

6. Employees

There were no employees during the year.

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7. Debtors

	2020	2019
	£	£
Other debtors	-	-
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	-	-
	<hr/>	<hr/>

8. Creditors

	2020	2019
	£	£
Trade Creditors	-	-
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	-	-
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9. Commitments

At 31 October 2020 the charity has no annual commitments.

10. Ultimate controlling party

The charity has no ultimate controlling party.

11. Related party transactions

During the year, the charity did not take part in any related party transactions.