

COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1158625

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2014-09-22

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

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Activities

Objects: (I) TO PROMOTE HIGH STANDARDS OF PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURE IN OR AFFECTING COBHAM.(II) TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN THE GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY, NATURAL HISTORY AND ARCHITECTURE OF COBHAM.(III) TO SECURE THE PRESERVATION, PROTECTION, DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF FEATURES OF HISTORIC OR PUBLIC INTEREST OF SURREY.(IV) TO DEVELOP OUR HERITAGE AND PROMOTE CIVIC PRIDE AND COMMUNITY AWARENESS IN COBHAM.

Activities: To promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting Cobham
To educate the public in the geography, history, natural history and architecture of Cobham
To secure the preservation, protection, development and improvement of features of historic or public interest of Surrey
To develop our heritage and promote civic pride and community awareness in Cobham

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£32,593	£28,130	-	-
2024-12-31	£42,936	£21,826	-	-
2023-12-31	£28,112	£30,353	-	-
2022-12-31	£40,701	£31,861	-	-
2021-12-31	£13,166	£12,007	-	-
2020-12-31	£23,180	£20,209	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SIR GERALD ACHER CBE LVO	Chair	2014-03-26
Adrian Wise		2018-03-21
Ita Mary Lawton		2021-05-12
Jane Molloy		2024-01-01
John William Kingston		2022-04-13
LADY JOYCE ACHER		2015-03-18
Peter John Scull		2023-03-22
SUSAN ELIZABETH PRENTICE		2017-05-17
Sally Ollett		2015-03-18
Sue Graves		2014-03-26

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COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

Charity No. 1158625

Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2025

Summary of Objectives

- To promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting Cobham
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- To develop our heritage and promote civic pride and community awareness in Cobham

Officers serving as at 31st December 2025

Sir Gerald Acher CBE, LVO, Jane Molloy

Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st December 2025

At the year end, subscriptions plus donations were in line with 2024 levels, taking advance payments into account (see note to accounts).

The annual Duck Race resulted in a surplus of £6,500 and the VE Day event raised £1,000. Over half of the money raised from these events have been distributed to local charities with the remainder retained to fund the Trust's own projects.

Overall, our current reserves amount to £77,000 which will allow us to help preserve our Green Belt and local heritage and to meet our other objectives.

The accounts are subject to scrutiny by an Independent Examiner and will be submitted for approval at the AGM.

Jane Molloy – Treasurer

February 2026

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 18th March 2026** at 8.00pm at Cobham Village Hall to transact the following business:

1. To receive the notice of the meeting and apologies
2. To receive and if thought fit adopt the minutes of the last AGM (these are on our website)
3. To receive the Chairman's report
4. To receive the Treasurer's report and if thought fit to adopt the Annual Report
5. To re-elect the following trustees retiring by rotation who have signified their wish to stand for re-election (note 1): John Kingston, Ita Lawton, Peter Scull and Adrian Wise
6. To propose Claire Lamb be elected a Trustee
7. To appoint the examiner of the accounts
8. To consider any other formal business

Note 1: Under our constitution 1/3rd of Trustees are required to retire and offer themselves for re-election each year.

COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST
Registered Charity number 1158625

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2025

	2025 £		2025 £		2024 £		2024 £
RECEIPTS							
Subscriptions and donations	7 561	# note 1			9 901	# note 1	
Legacy and other donations	3 057				13 052		
Duck Race receipts	8 897				9 274		
VE Day receipts	3 435				0		
Newsletter advertising	3 411				3 322		
Book sales	2 425				1 842		
Gift Aid	1 866				3 505		
Other receipts	1 941				2 040		
			32 593				42 936
 PAYMENTS							
Newsletter printing and distribution	6 854				5 882		
Charitable Donations	3 882				3 644		
Green Belt planning	3 885				0		
Projects	3 452				767		
Duck Race expenses and prizes	2 263				2 154		
VE Day expenses	2 458				0		
Book publishing and postage	959				983		
Riverhill tree and path maintenance	900				1 866		
Membership printing and posting	571				1 832		
Liability Insurance	473				473		
Subscriptions and fees	457				1 422		
D Cooke funeral contribution	0				1 200	# note 2	
Other expenses	1 976				1 603		
			28 130				21 826
Deficit / Surplus for period			<u>4 463</u>				<u>21 110</u>

note: £1,952 relates to 2026 but £2,716 was received in 2024, making a net £8,325 in 2025

note 1: £2,716 relates to 2025 but £944 was received in 2023, making a net £8,129 in 2024

note 2: payment approved by members at AGM

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025

Funds as at 31/12/25	<u>77 182</u>		<u>72 719</u>
Represented by:			
Bank accounts, petty cash and PayPal	77 182	72 719	
			<u>72 719</u>
Analysis of reserves			
Local Plan, Green Belt and planning support	40 000		40 000
Riverhill, tree works and footpath repairs	10 000		5 000
History Boards and archive project	10 000		10 000
Website and database project	10 000		0
Other projects	5 000		3 000
Unallocated reserves	2 182		14 719
	<u>77 182</u>		<u>72 719</u>

Jane Molloy, Treasurer
February 2026



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
Cobham Conservation & Heritage Trust

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2025

Charity no (if any)

1158625

Set out on pages

1

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY 31/12/2025

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

28 January 2026

Name:

Victor Eyles

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

FCCA (retired)

(if any):

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1158625

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Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st December 2024

At the year end, subscriptions plus donations were similar to 2023 levels, taking advance payments into account (see note to accounts). During the year, we received a generous legacy of £10,000 from a former member which we plan to use for a History Boards project. The duck race in June was successful, generating a surplus of approximately £7,000. During the year, we made charitable donations of £3,000. An exceptional payment of £1,200 was approved by the membership as a contribution towards the funeral of former Secretary and Trustee David Cooke.

Overall, there was a cash surplus for the year, and reserves are currently above £70,000. Out of this total, in addition to the £10,000 for the History Board project, £5,000 is reserved for future maintenance of Riverhill and other footpaths, £40,000 is for Green Belt and planning support, and £3,000 is for other planned projects. The remaining general reserve will cover other expenses and future project work.

Jane Molloy - Treasurer

February 2025

COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

	2024 £		2024 £		2023 £		2023 £
RECEIPTS							
Subscriptions and donations	9 901	# note 1			8 327	# note	
Legacy and other donations	13 052				4 643		
Duck Race receipts	9 274				8 603		
Book sales	1 842				2 334		
Newsletter advertising	3 322				2 624		
Gift Aid	3 505				0		
Other receipts	2 040				1 581		
			42 936				28 112
PAYMENTS							
Duck Race expenses and prizes	2 154				2 242		
Charitable Donations	3 059				2 805		
Riverhill tree and path maintenance	1 866				4 550		
Book publishing and postage	983				2 763		
Newsletter printing and distribution	5 882				5 751		
Membership printing and posting	1 832				1 543		
Liability Insurance	473				473		
Subscriptions and fees	1 422				681		
Projects	767				7 050		
Museum membership (3 schools)	585				585		
D Cooke funeral contribution	1 200	# note 2			0		
Other expenses	1 603				1 910		
			21 826				30 353
Deficit / Surplus for period			<u>21 110</u>				<u>-2 241</u>

note 1: £2,716 relates to 2025 but £944 was received in 2023, making a net £8,129 in 2024
note 2: payment approved by members at AGM

note: £944 relates to 2024 but £850 was received in 2022, making a net £8,233 in 2023

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2024

Funds as at 31/12/24	<u>72 719</u>		<u>51 610</u>
Represented by:			
Bank accounts, petty cash and PayPal	72 719		51 610
			<u>51 610</u>
Analysis of reserves			
Reserve for Riverhill and footpath repairs	5 000		3 000
Local Plan, Green Belt and planning support	40 000		20 000
History Boards	10 000		0
Other projects	3 000		10 000
Unallocated reserves	14 719		18 610
	<u>72 719</u>		<u>51 610</u>

Jane Molloy, Treasurer
February 2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
Cobham Conservation & Heritage Trust

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2024

Charity no (if any)

1158625

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended ~~DD~~31/12/2024

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

30 June 2025

Name:

Victor Eyles

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

FCCA (retired)

(if any):

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

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Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

Charity No. 1158625

Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2023

Summary of Objectives

- To promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting Cobham
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Officers serving as at 31st December 2023

Sir Gerald Acher CBE, LVO, Sue Graves

Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st December 2023

At the year end, subscriptions plus donations were similar to 2022 levels, taking advance payments into account (see note to accounts). The duck race in September was a great success, and made a surplus of around £6,000, £2,000 of which was donated to the Cobham Combined Charities. Over the year, we had a small cash deficit, but our reserves are still above £50,000. Out of this total, we have reserved £3,000 for future maintenance of Riverhill and the riverside path, £20,000 for Green Belt and planning support, and £10,000 for other projects. This leaves a general reserve to cover other expenses and future project work. I would like to thank all of our members, supporters and donors for their continued generosity, which is much appreciated by your committee. The accounts are subject to scrutiny by an Independent Examiner, and will be submitted for approval at the AGM.

Sue Graves – Treasurer

February 2024

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held on tbc **Wednesday 20th March 2024** at 8.00pm at Cobham Village Hall to transact the following business:

1. To receive the notice of the meeting and apologies
2. To receive and if thought fit adopt the minutes of the last AGM (these are on our website)
3. To receive the Chairman's report
4. To receive the Treasurer's report and if thought fit to adopt the Annual Report
5. To re-elect the following trustees retiring by rotation who have signified their wish to stand for re-election (note 1): Sally Ollett and Sue Prentice. Those also standing for election are Elaine Kingston, Ella Power and Richard Stott
6. To appoint the examiner of the accounts
7. To consider any other formal business

Note 1: Under our constitution 1/3rd of Trustees are required to retire and offer themselves for re-election each year.

Cobham Heritage Annual Report – Our Achievements during 2023

The Trust has had another successful year, with 4 Open Meetings held including our AGM.

Our achievements of 2023 have included:

ENSURING HIGH STANDARDS OF PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURE

- Continued monitoring regarding the Local Plan which was published in May 2022 and is now with the Government Inspector for review.
- Providing significant input to the Public Enquiry (Sept to Dec 2023), on the proposed development of the former **Wisley Airfield**, by Taylor Wimpey and others, which could result in over 2100 dwellings and seriously impact on Cobham and the surrounding villages.
- **Objecting to applications** that would lead to loss of character and increased density eg 1 French Gardens, 28 Leigh Hill Rd, 40 Fairmile Lane; and to retrospective applications eg at 32 Green Lane, 110 Fairmile Lane.



DEVELOPING OUR HERITAGE AND PROMOTING OUR COMMUNITY'S CIVIC PRIDE AND SENSE OF BELONGING

- Organizing an **Armistice Day** service with the Royal British Legion on Saturday 11th November to rededicate the cherry trees war memorial on The Tilt
- Holding our annual **Duck Race** on Heritage Day in September, selling approximately 5000 tickets.
- Continuing support for **litter picking** working groups and other environmental activities.
- Continuing support and promotion of the sale of **duck food** in the Princess Alice Hospice shop at Riverhill.
- Conducting more **guided tours of Cobham** in conjunction with St Andrew's Church.
- Planting a **memorial tree and bench** on the Leg of Mutton field in memory of David Bellchamber.



PRESERVING, PROTECTING AND IMPROVING OUR HISTORY AND FEATURES OF PUBLIC INTEREST

- Installing **new tree collars** on the cherry trees on the Tilt, with the names of fallen WW2 servicemen and a QR code to access information about the servicemen.
- Taking a keen interest in the potential redevelopment of **Cedar House**, encouraging constructive discussions between the National Trust and the developers.
- Continuing maintenance of the bushes, trees and vegetation along the footpath by **Riverhill**, working closely with Elmbridge Borough Council.



EDUCATING AND LIAISING WITH OUR COMMUNITY REGARDING OUR HERITAGE, NATURAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

- Publishing a **Book of 20 Walks in and around Cobham**
- Continuing to sell our World War I and World War II Cobham **Remembers** books
- Producing an **exhibition** of Cobham in the 1920's, showcased at our Autumn Open Meeting.
- Sponsoring the **Elmbridge Museum Schools Scheme** for our 4 local schools
- Continued publication of our **Quarterly Magazine** covering local history, conservation, heritage and natural history topics
- **Fund raising and donations** to other local organisations eg British Legion Poppy Appeal, Cobham Combined Charities, Chatterbus, Cobham Foodbank and the Wisley Planning Appeal.
- **Working with other organisations** including Elmbridge BC, Surrey CC, our local Councillors and our MP, Dominic Raab, the Environment Agency re the river Mole, and Surrey Markets Ltd re Cobham Farmers' Market..



COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

Registered Charity number 1158625

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023

	2023		2023		2022		2022
	£		£		£		£
RECEIPTS							
Subscriptions and donations	8,327	# note			6,705	# note	
Other donations	4,643				2,540		
Duck Race receipts	8,603				19,255		
(2022 figures include Heritage Day receipts)							
Book sales	2,334				4,772		
Newsletter advertising	2,624				2,727		
Gift Aid	0				3,622		
Other receipts	1,581				1,080		
			28,112				40,701
PAYMENTS							
Duck Race expenses and prizes	2,242				12,840		
(2022 figures include Heritage Day costs)							
Donation to Cobham Combined Charities	2,000				3,207		
Riverhill tree and path maintenance	4,550				900		
Book publishing and postage	2,764				3,224		
Newsletter printing and distribution	5,751				5,580		
Office, equipment, website and printing	1,543				1,187		
Liability Insurance	473				462		
Donations and subscriptions	2,915				795		
Projects	5,050				1,722		
Museum membership (4 schools)	585				390		
Other expenses	2,480				1,554		
			30,353				31,861
Deficit / Surplus for period			<u>-2,241</u>				<u>8,840</u>

note: £944 relates to 2024 but £850 was received in 2022, making a net £8,233 in 2023

note: £850 relates to 2023 but £2,214 was received in 2021, making a net £8,069 in 2022

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2023

Funds as at 31/12/23		<u>51,610</u>		<u>53,851</u>
Represented by:				
Bank accounts, petty cash and PayPal	51,610		53,851	
		<u>51,610</u>		<u>53,851</u>
Analysis of reserves				
Reserve for River path and Riverhill repairs		3,000		3,000
Local Plan, Green Belt and planning support		20,000		20,000
Other projects		10,000		10,000
Unallocated reserves		18,610		20,851
		<u>51,610</u>		<u>53,851</u>

Sue Graves, Treasurer

July 2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Cobham Conservation & Heritage Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

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Independent
examiner's statement

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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

28 July 2024

Name:

Victor Eyles

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

FCCA (retired)

(if any):

Address:

17 Four Wents, Cobham, Surrey

Section B

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Officers serving as at 31st December 2022

Sir Gerald Acher CBE, LVO, David Tipping, Dr David Cooke and Sue Graves

Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st December 2022

At the year end, subscriptions plus donations were similar to 2021 levels, taking advance payments into account (see note to accounts). Jubilee Day, in place of Heritage Day, was a great success, and made a surplus of over £6,400, half of which was donated to the Cobham Combined Charities. The net result for the year was a cash surplus, which has increased our reserves to above £50,000. Out of this total, we have reserved £3,000 for future maintenance of Riverhill and the riverside path, £20,000 for Green Belt and planning support, and £10,000 for other projects. This leaves a general reserve to cover other expenses and future project work. I would like to record sincere thanks to all of our members, supporters and donors for their continuing, loyal generosity, which is very much appreciated by your committee. The accounts are subject to scrutiny by an Independent Examiner, and will be submitted for approval at the AGM.

Sue Graves – Treasurer

February 2023

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 22nd March 2023** at 8.00pm in St Andrew's Church to transact the following business:

1. To receive the notice of the meeting and apologies
2. To receive and, if thought fit, adopt the minutes of the last AGM (these are on our website)
3. To receive the Chairman's report
4. To receive the Treasurer's report and, if thought fit, to adopt the Annual Report
5. To re-elect David Cooke and Adrian Wise who retire by rotation and wish to stand for re-election. David Tipping and Richard Mulhall also retire but do not wish to stand again.
6. To appoint the examiner of the accounts
7. To consider any other formal business

COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

Registered Charity number 1158625

Subject to examination

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
RECEIPTS				
Subscriptions and donations	6,705	# note	8,528	* note
Legacy and other donations	2,540		150	
Heritage Day receipts and donations	4,772		250	
Book sales	2,727		468	
Newsletter advertising	3,622		2,776	
Gift Aid receipts (2 years)	1,081		0	
Other receipts	19,255		810	
		40,701		12,982
PAYMENTS				
Heritage Day expenses	12,840		356	
Donation to Cobham Combined Charities	3,207		0	
Riverhill tree and path maintenance	900		2,832	
Book publishing and postage	3,224		483	
Newsletter printing and distribution	5,580		4,756	
Office, equipment, website and printing	1,187		2,020	
Liability Insurance	462		506	
Donations and subscriptions	795		236	
Projects	1,722		0	
Museum membership (4 schools)	390		0	
Other expenses	1,554		817	
		31,861		12,007
Surplus for period		<u>8,840</u>		<u>976</u>

note: £850 relates to 2023 but £2,214 was received in 2021, making a net £8,273 in 2022

note: £2,214 relates to 2022 but £2,552 was received in 2020, making a net £8,866 in 2021

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2022

Funds as at 31/12/22		<u>53,851</u>		<u>45,011</u>
Represented by:				
Bank accounts, petty cash and PayPal	54,074		45,011	
		<u>54,074</u>		<u>45,011</u>
Analysis of reserves				
Reserve for River path and Riverhill repairs		3,000		3,000
Local Plan, Green Belt and planning support		20,000		20,000
Other projects		10,000		10,000
Unallocated reserves		20,851		12,011
		<u>53,851</u>		<u>45,011</u>

Sue Graves, Treasurer

February 2023

The Chairman.
Cobham Conservation & Heritage Trust

14 March 2023

Sir,

I have the pleasure to submit my report as Independent Examiner for the Cobham Conservation & Heritage Trust, re-appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the charity held on 23 March 2022.

I will report formally to the Charity Commission in the required format in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act.

I am happy to report that no material matters have come to my attention that give me cause to believe that proper accounting records have not been kept. I have recommended minor corrections to the provisional accounts circulated prior to the 2022 AGM which result in a net reduction in funds of £224.

Those matters that came to light in the course of the examination which have been discussed with the Treasurer and that I consider should be brought to your attention are as follows:

1. Lloyds bank account. A 'Green belt' account with a credit balance of £50 had not been accounted for in the provisional accounts.
2. Cash accounting. A cheque for £100 (Poppy appeal donation) drawn in November 2022 but debited to the bank account in January 2023 was not accounted for in the relevant year.
3. Jubilee Day. I note that the budget for the event was prepared by the event Chairperson who approved expenditure in line with that budget. I have not seen evidence that approval of the budget was sought or given by the CCHT trustees. In the context of the total costs of the event the charge of £2700 for live streaming the race seems excessive, representing 14.0% of Jubilee Day income.
4. Jubilee Day. Cash income from the various events cannot be verified but overall control seems to have been satisfactory although it seems that there was a lack of control at the car park entrance. Some elementary checks could have been made to provide an estimate of total Duck Ticket sales income, but I saw no evidence of this.
5. Equipment. Approximately £800 was spent on various items of equipment (e.g. credit card readers) for the Jubilee Day event. I recommend that proper measures are taken to ensure that such quasi-capital items are recorded and securely stored so as to be available to the Charity for future use.
6. Newsletter advertising income. I note a satisfactory system has been adopted to ensure payment by advertisers. At the year end unpaid invoices amounted to £432 including two invoices relating to issues prior to November amounting to £81.
7. Related party transactions. I draw to your attention changes to regulations under the Charities Act 2022 (an extract of the new provisions is set out below).
8. I note that the minor corrections to the provisional accounts for 2021 referred to in my report to you which resulted in a net reduction in funds of £183 were not reflected in the accounts filed with the Charity Commission. Consequently my signed report is associated with incorrect figures, although I accept that the changes were not material. The audited figures were used for the comparative figures published in the Annual Report for 2022 and so vary from the filed report.
9. I also note that despite the accounts being prepared and my examination and report being completed at an early date they were not filed until the deadline of October. I recommend that the Annual Return and accounts be filed as soon as reasonable after they have been approved.

I should like to thank Sue Graves and Jane Molloy for their patience in responding to my enquiries.

Victor Eyles
Independent Examiner

Payments to trustees for goods and services provided to the Charity.

Legal requirement: before paying a trustee for goods or services, you must have regard to the Commission's guidance which explains how you must:

- Produce a written agreement between the Charity and the trustee being paid.
- Specify the exact or maximum amount to be paid.
- Make sure the trustee does not take part in decisions made by the trustee board regarding any aspect of the agreement.
- Agree the payment is in your charity's best interests and reasonable for the goods or services provided.
- Not allow payments or other benefits to half, or more than half, of your trustee board - the number of trustees receiving any payment or benefit must be in the minority.
- Make sure your charity's governing document doesn't prevent you from paying trustees for goods or services.

COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1158625

Accounts

COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

Charity No. 1158625

Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2021

Summary of Objectives

- To promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting Cobham
- To educate the public in the geography, history, natural history and architecture of Cobham
- To secure the preservation, protection, development and improvement of features of historic or public interest of Surrey
- To develop our heritage and promote civic pride and community awareness in Cobham

Officers serving as at 31st December 2021

Sir Gerald Acher (CBE, LVO), David Tipping, Dr David Cooke and Sue Graves

Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st December 2021

At the year end, subscriptions plus donations were similar to 2020 levels, taking advance payments into account (see note to accounts). As a result of Covid, Heritage Day was cancelled for a second year running. The net result for the year was a small cash surplus, which has increased our reserves slightly, to just over £45,000. Out of this total, we have reserved £3,000 for future maintenance of Riverhill and the riverside path, £20,000 for Green Belt and planning support, and £10,000 for other projects. This leaves a general reserve to cover other expenses and future project work. I would like to record sincere thanks to all of our members, supporters and donors for their continuing, loyal generosity, which is very much appreciated by your committee. The accounts are subject to scrutiny by an Independent Examiner, and will be submitted for approval at the AGM.

Sue Graves – Treasurer

February 2021

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 23rd March 2022** at 8.00pm either in the Cobham Village Hall or virtually via Zoom to transact the following business:

1. To receive the notice of the meeting and apologies
2. To receive and if thought fit adopt the minutes of the last AGM (these are on our website)
3. To receive the Chairman's report
4. To receive the Treasurer's report and if thought fit to adopt the Annual Report
5. To re-elect the following trustees retiring by rotation who have signified their wish to stand for re-election (note 1): Sir Gerald Acher, Lady Acher, Sally Ollett, Sue Graves
6. To appoint the examiner of the accounts
7. To consider any other formal business

Note 1: Under our constitution 1/3rd of Trustees are required to retire and offer themselves for re-election each year.

COBHAM CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE TRUST

Registered Charity number 1158625

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
RECEIPTS				
Subscriptions and donations	8,494	# note	8,899	* note
Other donations	150		1,200	
Heritage Day receipts and donations	250		292	
Book sales	686		3,716	
Newsletter advertising	2,776		952	
Gift Aid receipts	0		3,818	
CIL receipt from EBC	0		3,426	
Other receipts	810		877	
		13,166		23,180
PAYMENTS				
Heritage Day expenses	356		694	
Riverhill tree and path maintenance	2,832		2,574	
Book publishing and postage	483		1,796	
Newsletter printing and distribution	4,756		6,085	
Office, equipment, website and printing	2,020		2,546	
Liability Insurance	506		473	
Donations and subscriptions	236		1,336	
Projects	0		3,426	
Museum membership (4 schools)	0		420	
Other expenses	817		859	
		12,007		20,209
Surplus for period		<u>1,159</u>		<u>2,971</u>

note: £2,214 relates to 2022 but £2,552 was received in 2020, making a net £8,832 in 2021

* note: £2,552 relates to 2021 but £2,424 was received in 2019, making a net £8,771 in 2020

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2021

Funds as at 31/12/21		<u>45,194</u>		<u>44,035</u>
Represented by:				
Bank accounts, petty cash and PayPal	45,194		44,035	
		<u>45,194</u>		<u>44,035</u>
Analysis of reserves				
Reserve for River path and Riverhill repairs		3,000		3,000
Local Plan, Green Belt and planning support		20,000		20,000
Other projects		10,000		10,000
Unallocated reserves		12,194		11,035
		<u>45,194</u>		<u>44,035</u>

February 2022

Our Annual Report Impact Statement

– year to 31st December 2021

Cobham Conservation and Heritage Trust
Charity No: 1158625

Despite another challenging year due to the restrictions caused by COVID-19, with Heritage Day and other events cancelled, the Trust has continued during 2021 to make good progress against our 4 objectives:

OBJECTIVE 1. Ensure high standards of planning and architecture

- a) Continued involvement in the Elmbridge Local Plan. We have continued to comment on policy and strategic consultations and have worked hard to lobby our Councillors and reinforce our commitment to no building on Green Belt. We have continued to discuss and lobby our local MP Dominic Raab to reinforce this message. We anticipate the Local Plan finally being published in early 2022
- b) We have continued to be an active consultee of the Taylor Wimpey development of the former Wisley Airfield which may result in over 2100 dwellings and have a serious impact on Cobham and the surrounding villages. We will challenge and call out issues that we believe will negatively impact our area
- c) We successfully influenced the dismissal of a 70-bed care home facility at Painshill Farm on the grounds of inappropriate development on Green Belt
- d) We continue to object to loss of character and increased density of housing eg 4 Fairmile Lane, 2 Stoke Rd, 32 Green Lane
- e) We have successfully influenced the re-siting of the footpath that crosses the new carpark at Painshill Park to achieve a better outcome for local residents

OBJECTIVE 2. Preserve, protect and improve our history and features of public interest

- a) We have continued to influence plans for the future use and redevelopment of Cedar House, and whilst having some concerns are supportive of a planning application that is proposing conversion of the existing house and a new build near the eastern boundary. We are keen to see a productive use for this Landmark building
- b) Continued maintenance and upkeep of Riverhill and the trees along the footpath, working closely with EBC
- c) We were successfully awarded a CIL grant for the improvement and re-surfacing of the public footpath running behind Reeds School from Fairmile Park Copse to Oxshott Heath. We are working with Reeds School on this and aiming for the work to be completed in 2022
- d) We have successfully influenced and worked with Surrey County Council to rescue and restore the Samuelson Memorial on Chatley Heath

OBJECTIVE 3. Develop our heritage and promote our community's civic pride and sense of belonging

- a) Support, including wreath laying, for the Remembrance Service at the Tilt Memorial
- b) Continuing support for litter picking working groups and other environmental activities
- c) Continuing support and promotion of the sale of Duck food in the Princess Alice Hospice shop at Riverhill
- d) We have now installed our 8th blue plaque; the most recent one on the old White Lion Coaching Inn at the bottom of the Portsmouth Rd

OBJECTIVE 4. Educate our community regarding our heritage, natural history and geography

- a) Continued promotion of the 'World War I Cobham Remembers' book, commemorating the fallen and their families
- b) Championing and supporting the writing and production of a 'World War II Cobham Remembers' book written by Graeme Austin and David Cooke, which will be ready for printing in early 2022
- c) Continued sponsorship of the Elmbridge Museum Schools Scheme for our 4 local schools
- d) Continued publication of our Quarterly Newsletter covering local history, conservation, heritage and natural history topics
- e) We have adopted new technology with our AGM in March 2021 broadcast on zoom, and all our Open Meetings as well as our monthly Committee meetings held virtually via zoom.





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name Cobham Conservation & Heritage Trust

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2021 Charity no (if any) 1158625

Set out on pages

1 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

26 March 2022

Name:

V J Eyles

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

FCCA (Retired)

Address:

17 Four Wents
Cobham
Surrey KT11 2 NE

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.