

Carshalton Old Rectory Association – 16 May 2023

Trustees' Report for 2022-3

Registration number 1165834.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of CORA are:

1. To preserve the Old Rectory, a Grade II* listed historic building in the Carshalton Conservation area.
2. To open the building to the public and to promote the arts, heritage and conservation of the area for education and public enjoyment.

CORA does not have any paid staff and is wholly reliant on the work of volunteers.

Achievements and Performance

The Council's officers have talked about appointing consultants to find a viable use for the building which is consistent with its Grade II* listing. This was to lead to a report to Strategy Committee in the early part of this year. However, we are not aware of any consultants being appointed and no report has been taken to committee. We have the impression that the Council's Property Services people are heavily committed to other projects and that the Old Rectory is on the back burner.

Last year, the Secretary, Sue Horne, tried to interest the London and South East Region of the National Trust in the Old Rectory. This resulted in the plight of the house being drawn to the attention of the London Historic Buildings Trust. LHBT is the only London-wide building preservation trust. They are concerned primarily with buildings at risk but have recently extended their remit to include all types of heritage. They look for new uses for difficult buildings, often working closely with Historic England. We have had a meeting with their project officer where she suggested seeking a grant to carry out an options appraisal on the future use of the building. She will be speaking to the Council to sound out their views. This is likely to take place in late May so we are awaiting developments.

Sue Horne has continued to send out regular newsletters.

CORA has continued to keep a close eye on the building and ongoing developments.

Financial Review

The income for the year was £468 and the expenditure was £672 leaving a deficit of £202. We sold all our stock of *A Respectable Parsonage House* so there was no stock in hand at the end of the year (since then we have reprinted 50 copies). There was £1,459 in the bank at the end of the year.

Structure, Governance and Management

CORA is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by a constitution following the Association Model.

The initial trustees were drawn from other organisations which were active in the local area but they acted on a personal basis and not as representatives of those groups.

Plans for the future

We hope that ideas and support from London Historic Buildings Trust will help us find a new

future for the Old Rectory which is consistent with its historic importance.

If the Council submits a planning application, CORA will examine it in detail, consider its impact on the historic fabric and decide on the best course of action.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Carshalton Old Rectory Association
Other name the charity uses	CORA
Registered charity number	1165834
Charity's principal address	Flat 5 31 Camden Road Sutton SM1 2SH
Secretary	Sue Horne

Names of the charity trustees who managed the charity in 2022-3

John Richard Phillips (Chairman)
Susan Margaret Kelsall (Treasurer)
Susan Horne (Secretary)
Laurence Elliott
Julia Heather Gertz
Jean Carole Knight
John Shepley Thornton (died 31 March 2023).
Derek Channon Yeo

There are no corporate trustees and there are no trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity.

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

CORA does not hold any funds on behalf of other people or organisations.

John Phillips on behalf of the Trustees
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Income and Expenditure 6 April 2022 – 5 April 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income:		
Subscriptions and donations	275	270
Gift aid	44	47
Book sales	149	-
Total	468	317
Expenditure:		
AGM refreshments	45	-
Website	235	-
Printing, postage and stationery	208	-
Other	59	-
Cost of books sold	123	-
Total	672	0
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	(202)	317

Statement of financial position – 5th April 2023

	Quantity	2023	2022
		£	£
Assets:			
Opening stock	19	123	123
Cost of sales	(19)	(123)	-
Closing stock	0	-	123
Cash at bank		1,459	1,399
Net current assets		1,459	1,522
Creditors		(139)	-
Net Assets		1,320	1,522
Funds:			
Opening funds		1,522	1,205
(Deficit)/surplus for the year		(202)	317
Closing funds		1,320	1,522