



## Poetry in Aldeburgh

### Trustee Report and Accounts for 2021/22

'Poetry in Aldeburgh' is a not-for-profit organisation set up by local residents in 2016. Our purpose is to build on and continue the heritage of poetry performance and festivals in the Suffolk Coastal area over 3 decades. 2021 was our sixth year of private sponsorship for our collaborative and volunteer led venture.

The main activity was the Poetry in Aldeburgh Festival weekend which was run online for a second year due to the Covid Pandemic on November 4 - 7<sup>th</sup>. The Festival was slightly larger and again curated by Paul Stephenson, supported by an editorial Board of Patricia Debney, and Clare Best. Our themes included Place, Perception and Play and, after receiving almost 150 submissions, we invited over 64 Poets to read live online. The weekend offering had 14 ticketed Workshops which proved very popular, and we put on 3 more due to demand. The 16 online reading events were all live and free to attend. Many of the events were recorded and posted online afterwards as podcasts on the Charity's website.

The continuing Pandemic had proved a tough again for many. We continue to miss the opportunity to showcase poetry talent in person and at public venues that reflect our place. We thank our many poets and tutors who adapted to performing online with such success. We had great fun. Altogether attendance was very strong, and feedback was appreciative. The free to attend nature of the readings encouraged many to listen to multiple sessions and donate to show their support.

Thank you.

#### Reserves and Reserves Policy

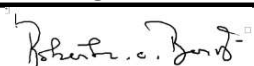
The unrestricted reserves increased to £7,270 on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. As the Charity is run by volunteers there are no employee or other contracted liabilities. A balance of £3,000 in reserves is deemed enough by the trustees to meet day to day expenses. The Festival costs are met by private funding and ticket revenue.

The financial details for our financial year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 are in the appendix below.

Robin Boyd

Chair: The Trustees of Poetry in Aldeburgh  
Registered Charity # 1167740

**Poetry in Aldeburgh**  
**31st March 2022 (Year End)**

Annual Accounts for period Poetry in Aldeburgh Charity 1167740		2022	2021
Section A			
	Statement of Financial Activities		
Incoming Resources			
Charity Donations (incl Gift Aid)	4,025.34	2,937.61	
Government Grants	-	-	
Festival Income incl Events	4,213.23	4,849.10	
Total Incoming Resources	8,238.57	7,786.71	
Outgoing Resources			
Festival Central Costs	3,679.27	2,174.01	
Performance Fees and Costs	4,325.00	4,500.00	
Media, Publicity & Programme	-	-	
Hall Hire & Services	-	-	
Sponsored Events	-	-	
Total Outgoing Resources	8,004.27	6,674.01	
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources	234.30	1,112.70	
Total Funds Brought Forward	7,036.15	5,923.45	
Total Funds Carried Forward	7,270.45	7,036.15	
Section B	Balance Sheet		
Cash at bank and in hand	7,270.45	7,036.15	
Net Debtors & other Receivables			
Net Creditors & Provisions			
Net Assets	7,270.45	7,036.15	
Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted Funds	7,270.45	7,036.15	
Total Funds	7,270.45	7,036.15	
	Signature	Date	
Director & Trustee		14/07/2022	