

Report of the Friends of Albury Old Saxon Church for the period 1 May 2022 to 30 April 2023

Registration and Trustees

The Charity was registered under the above name on 2 August 2016. The registration number is 1168550. Its principal address is Fellgarth, Shophouse Lane, Albury Guildford GU5 9EQ.

The trustees at the end of the year 2022/23 were

Mr. Michael Charles George Baxter
Mrs. Monica Cassels
Mrs. Linda Floyd (Hon.Treasurer)
Mrs. Daphne Mary Foulsham
Mrs. Sally Godfrey (Hon. Secretary)
Mrs. Charlotte Elizabeth Gummer (Chair)
Mr. Christopher John Hammond
Mrs. Stephanie Harley
Mr. Roy Hogben
The Revd. Andrew Michael Pearson
Mr. Mervyn Badiali

Although not themselves trustees, the above were assisted by Mrs Betty Adams and Mrs Sarah (Sally) Stevens helping co-ordinate events and activities.

Objectives

The objectives of the Charity are:

- A) For the benefit of the public to maintain, repair, restore, preserve, improve and enhance the fabric of the old church of St Peter and St Paul, Albury, in the county of Surrey, England, its monuments, fixtures, fittings, furniture, stained glass, ornaments and other chattels and its churchyard.
- B) To advance the education of the public in the heritage of the church and the local area by providing information on its history and architecture.

Structure

We are a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by a Foundation Constitution. The only members are the Trustees. The Trustees meet as required to consider fundraising and activities, and to determine direction. The activities of the Charity are modest enough not to need a complex management structure, but the Trustees will make use of sub-committees (which may include non-members) as required for specific purposes.

The Trustees seek to ensure that they are sufficient in number and have the range of skills needed for adequate management and pursuit of objectives. New Trustees (up to the permitted maximum number of twelve), when required, are appointed by the existing Trustees from local people with a strong interest in Albury's Old Church and the objectives of the 'Friends'.

In addition to the Trustees, there are a number of supporters of the charity who are not members of it but are often loosely referred to as the 'Friends'. They pay an annual subscription, or make a once-off payment for 'life membership' or 'Benefactor' status. In return they receive a periodic newsletter, are invited to an annual garden tea and receive details of matters and events affecting the Old Church.

Activities in the year 1 May 2022 to 30 April 2023 (the Charity's seventh reporting period)

In planning our activities the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance.

A Midsummer Service took place on June 25th, A Good Friday Service of Quiet Reflection was held on April 7th and the annual Christmas carol service took place on December 17th with a very good congregation in attendance.

Once again there was liaison with the CCT over the use of the church for filming, concerts, blessings and theatre productions on various occasions.

A tea for friends and supporters was held on the 6th August 2023 at the home of one of the Trustees. The

The Friends staffed the church for Heritage Weekend in September 2022.

During the year members of the committee continued to investigate the provision of a contactless terminal for card donations. These investigations were ongoing at the year end. Members of the committee, in liaison with CCT, continued to work on preparations for starting the Drummond Chapel Restoration project.

Guildford Borough Council continued to make a contribution towards the cost of maintaining the closed churchyard costs by way of discretionary grant for the present.

Throughout the year the Charity has carried out regular cleaning inside the building, minor works of upkeep in liaison with the CCT, and fielded enquiries.

The Trustees are satisfied that the Charity has kept the Old Saxon Church in the public eye, encouraged the donation of funds for its upkeep and repair, and carried out such activities as were possible to keep it tidy, attractive(for example through floral displays) and in good order, and to improve local and wider knowledge of this heritage building.

Financial Review

A full financial statement accompanies this report. Funds are either passed to the CCT for the maintenance of the building or kept pro tem against known future requirements, the main example of which at present is the gathering of funds to continue the work on the restoration of the Drummond Chapel. The Charity currently has no need to hold unallocated reserves, beyond small amounts necessary for minor disbursements. It would need to review this approach if it became responsible for significant contracts.

The Charity holds no funds as custodian tees.

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NOTE 1

GENERAL FUND
Year ended 30 April 2023

INCOME	y/e 30/04/2023	y/e 30/04/2022
Donations	£ -	£ 38.35
Friends' Membership	£ 1,047.28	£ 1,050.04
Hire of equipment	£ -	£ 150.00
Strawberry tea	£ 101.00	£ -
Midsummer Service	£ 37.00	£ -
Carol Service	£ 130.20	£ -
	<u>£ 1,315.48</u>	<u>£ 1,238.39</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Newsletter	£ -	£ 124.80
Stationery	£ 47.40	£ 94.36
PayPal fees	£ 2.78	£ 3.32
Equipment hire (Carol Service)	£ -	£ 168.00
Electrical Work	£ 152.93	£ -
Strawberry tea	£ 111.60	£ -
Wine (Carol Service)	£ 56.89	£ -
Wine (Midsummer Service)	£ 17.29	£ 13.00
Posters (Redbook Concert)	£ -	£ 30.00
Memorial tree	£ -	£ 117.15
Honours board	£ 18.05	£ 10.85
Flowers	£ -	£ 65.43
Depreciation	£ 332.88	£ 193.04
	<u>£ 739.82</u>	<u>£ 819.95</u>
Excess of Income over expenditure	# £ 575.66	# £ 418.44
Surplus brought forward	<u>£ 7,265.51</u>	<u>£ 6,847.07</u>
Balance carried forward	<u>£ 7,841.17</u>	<u>£ 7,265.51</u>

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DRUMMOND CHAPEL FUND

Year ended
30 April 2023

INCOME

	y/e 30 April 2023	y/e 30 April 2022
Donations	£ 4,819.02	£ 13,345.59
Strawberry Tea	£ 475.18	£ 237.00
Heritage Day	£ 190.21	£ 108.00
	<u>£ 5,484.41</u>	<u>£ 13,690.59</u>

EXPENDITURE

Photocopies	£ 77.40	£ -
Pay Pal fees	£ 0.30	£ 5.33
Strawberry Tea (invitations & raffle prizes)	£ -	£ 81.93
	<u>£ 77.70</u>	<u>£ 87.26</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure	£ 5,406.71	£ 13,603.33
Surplus brought forward	£ 48,916.45	£ 35,313.12
Balance carried forward	<u>£ 54,323.16</u>	<u>£ 48,916.45</u>

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FUNDS HELD ON BEHALF OF CHURCHES CONSERVATION TRUST (CCT)
Year ended
30 April 2023

NOTE 3

INCOME

	y/e 30 April 2023	y/e 30 April 2022
Wallsafe	£ 1,621.17 #	£ 2,390.61 #
Collections	£ 637.90	£ 311.69
Churchyard donation	£ 350.00	£ 350.00
Heritage Weekend	£ -	£ -
Donation	£ -	£ 81.00
	<u>£ 2,609.07</u>	<u>£ 3,133.30</u>

EXPENDITURE

Pay Pal fees	£ 0.25	£ -
Cards, bookmarks etc	£ 616.17	£ 892.47
Churchyard	£ 625.00	£ 625.00
	<u>£ 1,241.42</u>	<u>£ 1,517.47</u>
	£ 1,367.65	£ 1,615.83
 Paid to CCT:	 £ 1,352.00	 £ 1,276.07
Balance	<u>£ 15.65</u>	<u>£ 339.76</u>
 Balance brought forward	 <u>£ 920.60</u>	 <u>£ 580.84</u>
 Balance held	 <u><u>£ 936.25</u></u>	 <u><u>£ 920.60</u></u>

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Balance Sheet
as at
30 April 2023

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ASSETS

Note

30 April 2023

30 April 2022

Equipment at cost	4	£	2,080.53		£	1,328.13	
<u>Less: Depreciation</u>		£	<u>1,081.88</u>	£	998.65	£	<u>749.00</u>
						£	579.13
Cash at Bank				£	61,954.43	£	56,138.17
Sundry Debtors	4			£	147.50	£	385.26
				£	<u>63,100.58</u>	£	<u>57,102.56</u>
<u>Less: Due to Church Conservation Trust (CCT)</u>	3			£	936.25	£	920.60
				£	<u><u>62,164.33</u></u>	£	<u><u>56,181.96</u></u>

Represented by:

General Funds	1		£	7,841.17	£	7,265.51
Drummond Chapel Fund	2		£	<u>54,323.16</u>	£	<u>48,916.45</u>
			£	<u><u>62,164.33</u></u>	£	<u><u>56,181.96</u></u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 30 April 2023

INCOMING RESOURCES	Note	y/e 30 April 2023		y/e 30 April 2022	
General Funds	1	£	1,315.48	£	1,238.39
Drummond Chapel Fund	2	£	5,484.41	£	13,690.59
Churches Conservation Trust (CCT)	3	£	2,609.07	£	3,133.30
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES			£ 9,408.96		£ 18,062.28
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
General Funds	1	£	739.82	£	819.95
Drummond Chapel Fund	2	£	77.70	£	87.26
Churches Conservation Trust (CCT)	3	£	1,241.42	£	1,517.47
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED			£ 2,058.94		£ 2,424.68
			£ 7,350.02		£ 15,637.60
Payments to CCT	3		£ 1,352.00		£ 1,276.07
RESULT FOR THE YEAR					
General Funds	1	£	575.66	£	418.44
Drummond Chapel Fund	2	£	5,406.71	£	13,603.33
CCT	3	£	15.65	£	339.76
			£ 5,998.02		£ 14,361.53
Brought forward					
General Funds	1	£	7,265.51	£	6,847.07
Drummond Chapel Fund	2	£	48,916.45	£	35,313.12
CCT	3	£	920.60	£	580.84
			£ 57,102.56		£ 42,741.03
			£ 63,100.58		£ 57,102.56
General Funds	1	£	7,841.17	£	7,265.51
Drummond Chapel Fund	2	£	54,323.16	£	48,916.45
CCT	3	£	936.25	£	920.60
			£ 63,100.58		£ 57,102.56

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Notes to Balance Sheet

NOTE 4

	30 April 2023	30 April 2022
SUNDRY DEBTORS		
GBC - Churchyard donation	£ -	£ 350.00
Gift Aid	£ 147.50	£ 35.26
	<u>£ 147.50</u>	<u>£ 385.26</u>
EQUIPMENT		
Chairs	£ 778.46	£ 778.46
Gazebo	£ 128.98	£ 128.98
Signs	£ 914.40	£ 162.00
Tree Guard	£ 210.00	£ 210.00
Mat	£ 35.00	£ 35.00
Letterbox	£ 13.69	£ 13.69
	----- £ 2,080.53	----- £ 1,328.13
<u>Less: Depreciation</u>	<u>-£ 1,081.88</u>	<u>-£ 749.00</u>
	<u>£ 998.65</u>	<u>£ 579.13</u>