

HAMSEY CHURCH TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1171383

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-01-31

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION BY PROVIDING AND ASSISTING IN THE CONSERVATION, REPAIR, MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENT, UPKEEP AND BEAUTIFICATION OF ST PETER'S CHURCH, HEMSEY, SUSSEX AND OF ITS MONUMENTS, FITTINGS, FIXTURES, FURNITURE AND SURROUNDS.

Activities: We hold an endowment fund and the income is available to provide grants for maintenance of St Peter's Church, Hamsey as need arises.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- East Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31		£673	£0	-
2023-12-31		£551	£0	-
2022-12-31		£121	£28,000	-
2021-12-31		£106	£28,000	-
2020-12-31		£106	£0	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Nicholas Charles Lear	Chair	2017-01-30
ANDREW ALAN FEATHERSTONE		2017-01-30
HARRIET LEAR		2017-01-30
Nicholas Charles Lear		2017-01-30

HAMSEY CHURCH TRUST

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Hamsey Church Trust – Annual Report for 2024

1. The purposes of the Trust remain as follows: *To advance the Christian religion by providing and assisting in the conservation, repair, maintenance, improvement, upkeep and beautification of St Peter's Church, Hamsey, Sussex and of its monuments, fittings, fixtures, furniture and surrounds.*
2. This year, 2024, was the eighth year of the Trust's existence. Funds held are intended as a permanent endowment (but with discretion to use the capital). We are not anticipating any more capital receipts. No payments were made during 2024.
3. We earned £673 in interest during the year.
4. We have maintained our investments in two COIF (Charities Official Investment Fund) funds managed by CCLA (Churches, Charities and Local Authorities) Investment Management Limited. We have continued to keep a proportion in hand having regard to possible needs. At the year end, cash at Lloyds Bank amounted to £9,769 and our COIF deposit account held £13,801, total £23,570. The value of the invested funds was £172,283. Thus the total asset value was £195,853.
5. At the year end it was anticipated that there would be a need within Hamsey Church for funds to complete various substantial works and so it proved. This will be the subject of next year's report.
6. Although we have not reviewed our internal financial controls this year, we do not think any modification is needed.
7. The trustees are conscious of, and have regard to, the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and we are satisfied that the trust complies with the guidance.

Nick Lear

Chairman

30th October 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.01.24	To	Period end date 31.12.24
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Interest	673	-	-	673	551
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	673	-	-	673	551
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	673	-	-	673	551
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	673	-	-	673	551
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,897	-	-	22,897	22,346
Cash funds this year end	23,570	-	-	23,570	22,897

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Current Account	9,769	-	
	COIF Deposit Account	13,801	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	23,570	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	COIF Global Equity Fund		30,000	58,571
	COIF Investment Fund		70,000	113,712
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

HAMSEY CHURCH TRUST

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Hamsey Church Trust – Annual Report for 2023

1. We are sad to report the deaths earlier in 2024 of Dione Flinn and Jeremy Debenham, both significant benefactors of the Trust, siblings of my wife, Harriet Lear, who died on 4th June 2023 as we reported last year. Their parents, Horace and Audrey Debenham, lived in Hamsey and are buried in the Hamsey churchyard.
2. The purposes of the Trust remain as follows: *To advance the Christian religion by providing and assisting in the conservation, repair, maintenance, improvement, upkeep and beautification of St Peter's Church, Hamsey, Sussex and of its monuments, fittings, fixtures, furniture and surrounds.*
3. This (2023) has been the seventh year of the Trust's existence. Funds held are intended as a permanent endowment (but with discretion to use the capital). We are not anticipating any more capital receipts. No payments were made this year.
4. We earned no bank interest during the year.
5. We have maintained our investments in two COIF (Charities Official Investment Fund) funds managed by CCLA (Churches, Charities and Local Authorities) Investment Management Limited. We have continued to keep a proportion in hand having regard to possible needs. At the year end, cash at bank amounted to £9,769 and the value of the invested fund was £162,571. Thus the total asset value was £172,340.
6. Although we have not reviewed our internal financial controls this year, we do not think any modification is needed.
7. The trustees are conscious of, and have regard to, the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and we are satisfied that the trust complies with the guidance.

Nick Lear

Chairman

22nd October 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.01.23	To	Period end date 31.12.23
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Interest	551	-	-	551	121
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	551	-	-	551	121
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	551	-	-	551	121
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	551	-	-	551	121
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,346	-	-	22,346	22,225
Cash funds this year end	22,897	-	-	22,897	22,346

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Current Account	9,769	-	
	COIF Deposit Account	13,128	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,897	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	COIF Global Equity Fund		30,000	54,364
	COIF Investment Fund		70,000	108,207
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	

HAMSEY CHURCH TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1171383

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Hamsey Church Trust – Annual Report for 2022

1. We are sad to have to report the death of Harriet Lear on the 4th June 2023. She was an enthusiastic benefactor of Hamsey Church. Her parents, Horace and Audrey Debenham are buried in the churchyard. Andrew Featherstone and I are the surviving trustees. We will consider appointing another trustee in time.
2. The purposes of the Trust remain as follows: *To advance the Christian religion by providing and assisting in the conservation, repair, maintenance, improvement, upkeep and beautification of St Peter's Church, Hamsey, Sussex and of its monuments, fittings, fixtures, furniture and surrounds.*
3. This (2022) has been the sixth year of the Trust's existence. Funds held are intended as a permanent endowment (but with discretion to use the capital). We are not anticipating any more capital receipts. No payments were made this year.
4. **We earned no bank interest during the year.]**
5. We have maintained our investments in two COIF (Charities Official Investment Fund) funds managed by CCLA (Churches, Charities and Local Authorities) Investment Management Limited. We have continued to keep a proportion in hand having regard to possible needs. At the year end, cash at bank amounted to £9,768.75 and the value of the invested fund was £155,270 (down from £170,884). Thus the total asset value was £165,039.
6. Although we have not reviewed our internal financial controls this year, we do not think any modification is needed.
7. The trustees are conscious of, and have regard to, the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and we are satisfied that the trust complies with the guidance.

Nick Lear

Chairman

23rd October 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Hamsey Church Trust	No (if any) 1171383
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.01.22	To	Period end date 31.12.22
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Interest	121	-	-	121	4
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	121	-	-	121	4
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	121	-	-	121	4
A3 Payments					
Hamsey Restoration Fund	-	-	-	-	28,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	28,000
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	28,000
Net of receipts/(payments)	121	-	-	121	- 27,996
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,225	-	-	22,225	50,221
Cash funds this year end	22,346	-	-	22,346	22,225

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Current Account	9,769	-	
	COIF Deposit Account	12,577	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,346	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	COIF Global Equity Fund		30,000	46,533
	COIF Investment Fund		70,000	96,160
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	

HAMSEY CHURCH TRUST

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Hamsey Church Trust – Annual Report 2021

1. The purposes of the Trust remain as follows: *To advance the Christian religion by providing and assisting in the conservation, repair, maintenance, improvement, upkeep and beautification of St Peter's Church, Hamsey, Sussex and of its monuments, fittings, fixtures, furniture and surrounds*
2. This (2021) has been the fifth year of the Trust's existence. Funds held are intended as a permanent endowment (but with discretion to use the capital). We are not anticipating any more capital receipts.
3. We earned £106 in bank interest during the year.
4. As foreshadowed in last year's annual report, during the year we made our first grant for the benefit of St Peter's Church, Hamsey of £28,000. We have maintained our investments in two COIF (Charities Official Investment Fund) funds managed by CCLA (Churches, Charities and Local Authorities) Investment Management Limited. We have continued to keep a proportion in hand having regard to possible needs. At the year end, cash at bank amounted to £22,225 and the value of the invested fund was £158,428 (up from £134,373).
5. Although we have not reviewed our internal financial controls this year, we do keep them under review and do not think any modification is needed.
6. The trustees are conscious of, and have regard to, the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and we are satisfied that the grant referred to above complies with the guidance.

Nick Lear

Chairman

11th November 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Hamsey Church Trust

No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01.01.21	To	Period end date 31.12.21
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Interest	4	-	-	4	106
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4	-	-	4	106
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4	-	-	4	106
A3 Payments					
Hamsey Restoration Fund	28,000	-	-	28,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	28,000	-	-	28,000	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	28,000	-	-	28,000	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 27,996	-	-	- 27,996	106
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	50,221	-	-	50,221	50,115
Cash funds this year end	22,225	-	-	22,225	50,221

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Current Account	9,769	-	
	COIF Deposit Account	12,456	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,225	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	COIF Global Equity Fund		30,000	52,763
	COIF Investment Fund		70,000	105,665
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	<i>N. Lear</i>	NICOLAUS C. LEAR	20 8 2022	
	<i>Harriet Lear</i>	HARRIET LEAR	20 8 2022	

HAMSEY CHURCH TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1171383

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Hamsey Church Trust – Annual Report 2020

1. The purposes of the Trust remain as follows:
To advance the Christian religion by providing and assisting in the conservation, repair, maintenance, improvement, upkeep and beautification of St Peter's Church, Hamsey, Sussex and of its monuments, fittings, fixtures, furniture and surrounds
2. This (2020) has been the fourth year of the Trust's existence. Funds held are intended as a permanent endowment (but with discretion to use the capital). We are not anticipating any more capital receipts.
3. We earned £106 in bank interest during the year.
4. We have maintained our investments in two COIF (Charities Official Investment Fund) funds managed by CCLA (Churches, Charities and Local Authorities) Investment Management Limited. We have continued to keep a proportion in hand having regard to possible needs. At the year end, cash at bank amounted to £50,221 and the value of the invested fund was £134,373.
5. We have again disbursed no money in the year 2020. At the year end, we anticipated the need to make a grant for the benefit of St Peter's Church, Hamsey of £28,000 (which we made soon afterwards). It appears likely there will be calls on the Trust for more money for capital works during 2022 Or 2023.
6. This report is filed very late due to an oversight on my part, for which I apologise.
7. The trustees are conscious of, and have regard to, the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Nick Lear

Chairman

30th March 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Charity Name Hamsey Church Trust	No (if any) 1171383
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.01.20	To	Period end date 31.12.20
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Interest	106	-	-	106	228
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	106	-	-	106	228
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	106	-	-	106	228
A3 Payments					
Bank Charges	-	-	-	-	25
Independent Account Exam	-	-	-	-	44
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	69
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	69
Net of receipts/(payments)	106	-	-	106	159
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	50,115	-	-	50,115	49,956
Cash funds this year end	50,221	-	-	50,221	50,115

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Current Account	9,769	-	
	COIF Deposit Account	40,452	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	50,221	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	COIF Global Equity Fund		30,000	44,406
	COIF Investment Fund		70,000	89,967
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval