



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month January	Year 2023		Day 31	Month December	Year 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name NEW FRIENDS OF ST OSMUNDS

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1172380

Charity's principal address HERITAGE HOUSE

OSMINGTON, DORSET

Postcode

DT3 6EX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	MR JEFFREY JOHN LITTLE	Chairman		
2	MRS SALLY LITTLE	Secretary		
3	MRS DOROTA MALGORZATA HADEN	Treasurer		
4	MRS MARJORIE BANDY			
5	MRS HILARY SUSAN BALLARD			
6	MR NICOLAS JON IRELAND			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

1: The advancement of the Christian religion for the benefit of the public by supporting the reordering, improvement, enhancement, restoration, maintenance and repair of St. Osmund's church, in the Diocese of Salisbury, its monuments, fixtures, fittings, furniture, stained glass, ornaments, other chattels and its churchyard and access.
2. To advance the education of the public in the heritage of St. Osmund's Church and Osmington Parish, by providing information on its history and architecture.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

The church is an essential element of the small village community but lacks basic facilities such as toilets, catering, lighting and flexibility in its lay out. It also suffers from poor access having a steep approach which is difficult for old residents to access.

The aim is to improve facilities for the parishioners and local residents of the village and to provide a more flexible, useable and relevant centre which can be used to stage community events, heritage displays, concerts and plays, working alongside the nearby village hall.

All of these modifications require funds. A series of small events has been staged to raise an initial fighting fund to commence the projects. We will now move onto seeking larger grants and donations from institutions and other philanthropic organisations that support such causes across the church community.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The fund-raising environment remains difficult against the background cost-of-living challenges and inflation. The Charity must fish for funds in a very small pond where lots of others also float their hooks in search of cash. We have offered a wide variety of events over the past year hoping to attract residents who want 'something different' within this small, rural Dorset community. Such a programme is 'people power' intense and the trustees work hard setting up the village hall for events, preparing food and delivering variety.

We have changed our tactics in response. A series of informed lectures have been developed, charging no direct entry fees and relying on attendee donations into specially constructed boxes. This has also provided an export opportunity – delivering the presentations to other villages and organisations around the local area. We shall continue to grow this new angle and more titles are now being developed. As explained above, St Osmund's church lacks basic infrastructure which limits its flexibility and use. It has excellent harmonics and could be used much more for musical events – choir concerts, organ recitals, singers etc if we can provide its missing albeit basic facilities. At the same time, we are aware of the high maintenance and sustainment costs of such an aged building which are themselves a challenge for the Parochial Church Council (PCC) with a tiny congregation and a Padre who covers 4 other churches and is also a reservist in the army.

Our plan is to exploit the history of Saint Osmund himself (he is the Patron Saint of boils, ruptures, toothache and insanity}, the painter John Constable who lived in the village for 6 months and another leading artist, one Mr Talbot Hughes, who is buried in the Church grounds, will be developed in the near future.

We will continue to aim to stage at least 4 fundraising events during the coming years. Progress, however, will not be rapid and this will be *de facto* a most lengthy campaign demanding ever more innovative ways of achieving income. There appear to be no immediate 'quick fixes' and thus steady progress to build towards the sums required demands patience and gradual growth whilst also maintaining community support. Efforts to work with other fund-raising elements within the community have not been successful to date, however, we live in the hope that joint, combined efforts alongside other organisations and societies may increase the pace in the future. the importance of Public Benefit remains to the fore – the closure of the one village pub has had a visibly detrimental effect on community cohesion and along with our fund-raising efforts we aim to fill a gap in the social life and times of this small, diverse Parish.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The value of funds as of 31 December 2023 was £14,163 (2022: £11,515). All of these funds come from local fundraising activities held since June 2016, when the re-ordering project was launched. It is our intention to build up these immediately available funds to cover the up-front project costs required to achieve the necessary design, approvals and permissions needed prior to the 2-phase re-ordering exercise. In addition, the PCC have agreed to release church funds to help create the conditions necessary for construction activity to commence.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

We realise the need to apply for and obtain larger grants for the main construction activities of the re-ordering exercise.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Once the designs, permissions and approvals are in place and the Salisbury Diocese are finally content with the scope and design of the re-ordering, we will seek key grants from the main grant allocating agencies at both county and national level. This will focus on providing WC facilities for the church and providing kitchen facilities to enable limited catering and refreshment capabilities. Some of the pews may be removed. We are very conscious of the high inflation rates for building supplies and services. These will inevitably increase the total we need prior to match funding application. Together with the current economic situation, we expect the fundraising environment to be increasingly difficult and slow compared to previous years. Our next AGM will address these challenges and may result in changes to the strategy.

Section F

Other optional information

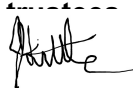
Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity' -

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

MR JEFFREY JOHN LITTLE

Dorota Haden

Mrs Dorota M Haden

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman

Treasurer

Date

17 Jun 2024

17 Jun 2024



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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name NEW FRIENDS OF ST OSMUNDS
1172380

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/01/20223

To

Period end date
31/12/23

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					
Charitable activities	3,274	-	-	3,274	2,142
Donations	685	-	-	685	581
Gift aid	-	-	-	-	-
Interest income	167	-	-	167	15
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,126	-	-	4,126	2,738
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,126	-	-	4,126	2,738
A3 Payments					
Expenditure on charitable activities	1,417	-	-	1,417	419
Bank charges	61	-	-	61	60
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,478	-	-	1,478	479
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Display Frame	-	-	-	-	-
Hot water urn	-	-	-	-	-
Stock	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,478	-	-	1,478	479
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,648	-	-	2,648	2,259
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	11,515	-	-	11,515	9,256
Cash funds this year end	14,163	-	-	14,163	11,515

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	Cash in bank	13,790	-	
	Cash in hand	118	-	
	Items in Transit	32	-	-
	Total cash funds	13,940	-	-
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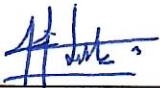
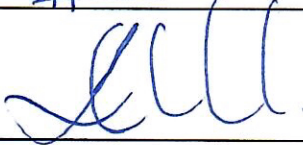
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B2 Other monetary assets	Hall Hire deposit	100	-	-
	Gift Aid claim due from HMRC	221	-	-
	Sundry debtors	214	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Hall hire invoice to pay	Unrestricted funds	- 95	
	Expenses due for reimbursement	Unrestricted funds	- 217	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Jeffrey J Little	15 April 2024
	Dorota M Haden	15.4.24