

FRIENDS OF MARCH RAILWAY STATION (FOMRS)

England & Wales · Charity number 1172812

Details

Other names	FRIENDS OF MARCH RAILWAY STATION, FRIENDS OF MARCH RAILWAY STATION (FORMS), FOMRS
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2017-04-28
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	75 Wimblington Road March PE15 9QW
Phone	01354653045
Email	gary@christy.org.uk
Website	https://www.facebook.com/groups/338840846205436/?ref=share

Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE PRESERVATION AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING ASSOCIATED WITH THE HISTORY OF RAILWAYS IN MARCH BY;(A) PROVIDING RESOURCES FOR LEARNING ABOUT THE HISTORY OF AND THE ROLE THE RAILWAY HAS PLAYED IN DEVELOPMENT OF THE TOWN AND(B) PROMOTING THE HISTORIC IMPORTANCE OF THE HERITAGE OF RAILWAYS IN MARCH

Activities: The Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS) is a group of community volunteers who wish to make the station a vibrant and attractive place to visit and use, both for the those using the railways and for the community.The group also sets out to preserve the heritage of March Station and the History of the Railways influence in the community.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Cambridgeshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£6,451	£3,043	-	-
2024-03-31	£3,623	£1,096	-	-
2023-03-31	£968	£752	-	-
2022-03-31	£0	£551	-	-
2021-03-31	£1,055	£1,706	-	-

Trustees

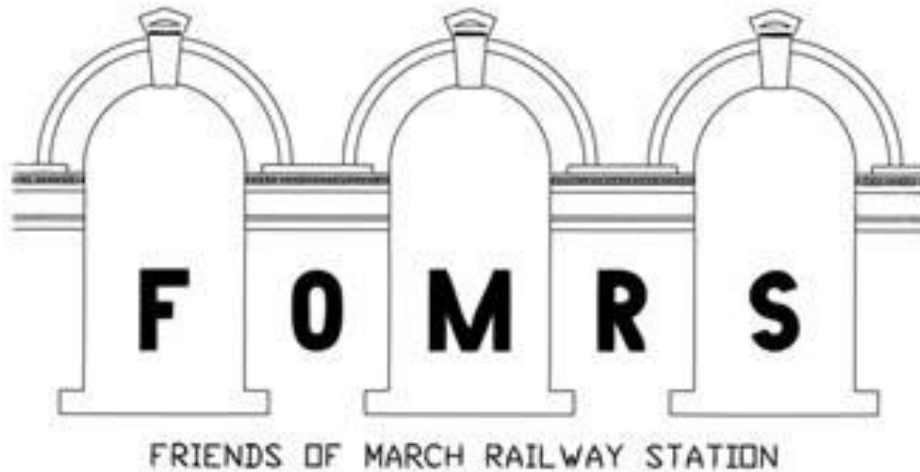
Name	Role	Appointed
Robert Abel	Chair	2024-02-15
GARY JOHN CHRISTY		2018-04-28
Mandy Ward		2024-02-15
Nicola Christy		2018-10-30

FRIENDS OF MARCH RAILWAY STATION (FOMRS)

England & Wales - Charity number 1172812

Accounts

Charity Number: 1172812
Company Number: CE010206



The Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

Annual Report and Accounts

1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

Purposes, Aims and Objectives

The purposes, aims and objectives of the Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS) are:

- Maintaining and preserving buildings of heritage importance and interest, associated with the history of railways in March
- Make the facilities of a community room, library, meeting facilities and lecture room available to community groups and community support groups
- Providing resources for learning about the history of and the role the railway has played in development of the town
- A place to display and be viewed by the general public, artefacts donated to the group that relate to the railway history of March

Achievements

The Victorian Railway Carriage is now safely stored back at the Station awaiting the rebuild. FOMRS would like to thank all the volunteers that had helped on the many trips to Needingworth to dismantle the carriage, and in particular the 'Make & Mend, March Men's Shed, Incorporating the Women's Shed, to Shaun and Helen from G&C Lombardo Ltd and to 'Trucker Tim' Carter, without whom none of the progress made on the project so far would have been possible.

It was a busy year for fundraising which included £2500 donated by REPTA; £470 donated by the March Masonic Lodges; £355 raised from the sale of a book about March Station; £1450 donated via a JustGiving Page that had been set up to help with the restoration of the carriage.

Several events took place across the year. The Model Railway Exhibition in May, two Heritage Open Days in September, and a Christmas Craft Fayre in November. A Guided Meditation Group were now using the Community Rooms on a regular basis.

FOMRS had hosted successful visits for groups of school children from Westwood Primary School, local cubs and guide groups.

The volunteers had enjoyed visits to Whitemoor Yard and both March East & March South signal boxes. FOMRS would like to thank the people involved in helping to arrange these trips.

FOMRS had also been lucky enough to have had a large number of railway books donated to the Group which have been sorted and catalogued.

At the AGM the group were informed that the Charity Commission Report had been prepared and submitted in time. It was also confirmed that the Group's insurance had been renewed with a new company that offered a better level of cover, which included working at height.

Progress on the Community Model Railway continued and the layout was set up and working for events. Two successful running days were held between Christmas and New Year which had been well received by all those that attended.

Financial Review

The Group has an online bank account with Lloyds.

Total receipts on unrestricted funds for the period were £4,830.28. This was substantially boosted by a donation from the Railway Employees & Public Transport Association (REPTA) which closed and distributed its funds to likeminded groups.

Restricted funds of £1,290.95 were received this period towards the Victorian Carriage Restoration Project.

A restricted grant of £329.92 was granted by March Town Council for the purchase of tools and plants to be used by the adopter group on the operational side of the platform. This grant was fully expended in the period.

During the period £439.38 was spent on maintenance and repairs of the rooms and the outside works. Other costs were planters and plants for the station area at £816.98, £30.00 for Cambridgeshire Council for Voluntary Services annual membership, £201.82 for the Groups Liability Insurance, £1,555.60 for sundries and £231.24 event costs.

The net result for the year was a surplus of receipts over payments of £3,407.95. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st March 2024 on unrestricted funds is £6,629.43 plus £1490.95 restricted funds, giving a total of £8,120.38.

Reserves Policy

FOMRS has an agreement to maintain a balance of circa £2,500 General Funds to cover any unforeseen costs. As a result of the Pandemic the group had to fall back on these reserves to cover the deficit and plans to replenish the reserves through fundraising activities and events have been extremely successful. This was boosted last period by the REPTA windfall of £2,500 which is being held in designated future project reserves for match funding purposes.

The restricted grant of £400 from March Town Council received in 2019-2020 for a gazebo for events which was to be purchased in March 2019 but due to Covid19 did not happen was expended in this period with the purchase of a large heavy-duty gazebo for events.

Restricted funds are also being held for the Victorian Carriage Restoration project, and similarly these funds will be held outside of the Reserves Policy to fund this multiyear project. The total reserved restricted funds for the Victorian Carriage Restoration project is £1,490.95 which includes £200 carried forward from last period.

FOMRS in general works on a basis of applying for Grants for specific projects.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all our volunteers that work hard to make the station a vibrant and lively place.

Structure, Management and Governance

The FOMRS structure, management and governance is defined in the groups constitution and FOMRS is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) by Association (an organisation with voting members other than its charity trustees). The Group has a committee of four Trustees that fulfil the officer roles of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

All decisions are overseen by the Committee and all members have voting rights on all proposals, which are discussed and voted on at regular members meetings and the AGM.

Administrative Information

The Friends Of March Railway Station is based at and has the buildings on Platform 2 of March Railway Station, the address of which is 4 Station Approach, March PE15 8SJ.

The up-to-date contact details for The Friends Of March Railway Station can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The FOMRS Committee of Trustees for the period of this report were:

Robert Able – Chair

Gary Christy – Vice Chair

Mandy Ward – Secretary

Nicola Christy – Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

1172812

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2024

To

Period end date
31/03/2025

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					
Donations	2,751	1,290	-	4,041	-
Grants	330	330	-	660	-
Funds from Events	1,750	-	-	1,750	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,831	1,620	-	6,451	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,831	1,620	-	6,451	-
A3 Payments					
Plants	766	51	-	817	-
Cost of Events	231	-	-	231	-
Maintenance and Repairs	439	-	-	439	-
CCVS Membership	30	-	-	30	-
Insurance	202	-	-	202	-
Sundaries	645	679	-	1,324	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,313	730	-	3,043	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,313	730	-	3,043	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,518	890	-	3,408	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,112	600	-	4,712	-
Cash funds this year end	6,630	1,490	-	8,120	-

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	Bank Account	6,171	1,490	-
	Cash	459		-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	6,630	1,490	-
	(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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

FRIENDS OF MARCH RAILWAY STATION (FOMRS)

England & Wales - Charity number 1172812

Accounts

Charity Number: 1172812
Company Number: CE010206



The Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

Annual Report and Accounts

1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024

Purposes, Aims and Objectives

The purposes, aims and objectives of the Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS) are:

- Maintaining and preserving buildings of heritage importance and interest, associated with the history of railways in March
- Make the facilities of a community room, library, meeting facilities and lecture room available to community groups and community support groups
- Providing resources for learning about the history of and the role the railway has played in development of the town
- A place to display and be viewed by the general public, artefacts donated to the group that relate to the railway history of March

Achievements

It was intended that this year a renewed focus would be put into attracting new volunteers, so the Group had adopted a new approach to recruiting new volunteers by holding 'Open House' events on a monthly basis. By the end of the year a total of 9 volunteers had joined.

Two events had been held during the year – the Model Railway Exhibition in May and the Heritage Open Day in September. Attendance at both events had sadly been affected by Rail Strikes, which also meant there were no toilet facilities available as the station building was closed.

Works completed during the last year included maintenance of window frames and doors to replace rotten wood and repaint. The library floor tiles had also been professionally cleaned. Planters had been maintained on the operational side of the station, with three new ones made ready to be placed out the front of the station later this year.

The Group had linked up with other Volunteer Groups to get help with some of the projects planned, particularly the 'Make & Mend' March Men's Shed Incorporating The Women's Shed, who had helped restore some of the woodwork along the Old Platform 1.

Work on the Community Model Railway progressed well, with all the electrical work being completed in both directions of the layout making it operational for open days and events.

The group were approached to participate in a series of monthly Heritage Talks organised by Fenland District Council. The first one being delivered on A History of March Station in January and there two further events took place in February and March 2024, with the March talk being given by Peter Wright from the B17 Trust.

The Group have been fortunate to have a Victorian G.E.R. Carriage donated to it. This is to be dismantled by volunteers and the plan is to restore it and position it on the old Bay Platforms.

Financial Review

The Group opened a new online bank account set up with Lloyds.

Total receipts on unrestricted funds for the period were £xxx. This was substantially boosted by a donation from the Railway Employees & Public Transport Association (REPTA) which closed and distributed its funds to likeminded groups.

Restricted funds of £200 were also received towards the Victorian Carriage Restoration Project.

During the period £736.19 was spent on maintenance and repairs of the rooms and the outside works. Other costs were plants for the station area at £156.92, £30.00 for Cambridgeshire Council for Voluntary Services annual membership, £96.00 for the Groups Liability Insurance which is with Zurich Insurance, £54.50 for sundries and £22.07 event costs.

The net result for the year was a surplus of receipts over payments of £2,527.63. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st March 2024 on unrestricted funds is £4,112.43 plus £600.00 restricted funds, giving a total of £4,712.43.

Reserves Policy

FOMRS has an agreement to maintain a balance of circa £2,500 General Funds to cover any unforeseen costs. As a result of the Pandemic the group had to fall back on these reserves to cover the deficit and plans to replenish the reserves through fundraising activities and events have been extremely successful. This was boosted by the REPTA windfall which has substantially bolstered the groups reserves and will allow the group to fund match large grant applications. To this end the group has made the decision to hold the current surplus in designated reserves for future project purposes for the restoration of the buildings on Old Platform 1.

The restricted grant of £400 from March Town Council received in 2019-2020 for a gazebo for events which was to be purchased in March 2019, but due to Covid19 did not happen will be carried over a further year until events can be restarted in earnest and the gazebo can be purchased.

Restricted funds are also being held for the Victorian Carriage Restoration project, and similarly these funds will be held outside of the Reserves Policy to fund this multiyear project.

FOMRS in general works on a basis of applying for Grants for specific projects.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all our volunteers that work hard to make the station a vibrant and lively place.

Sadly this year saw the loss of three of the groups long-standing members. Jim Mears, Charles Paxton and Peter Thorne sadly passed away during the last year, all of whom had been dedicated to the work of the group and who's contributions are recognised and appreciated by the group.

Structure, Management and Governance

The FOMRS structure, management and governance is defined in the groups constitution and FOMRS is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) by Association (an organisation

with voting members other than its charity trustees). The Group has a committee of four Trustees that fulfil the officer roles of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

All decisions are overseen by the Committee and all members have voting rights on all proposals, which are discussed and voted on at regular members meetings and the AGM.

At the AGM Adrian Sutterby informed the members that he intended to resign as Chairman and would not be standing for re-election. The Group thanks Adrian for 14 years of dedication to the Group.

Max Mobius had informed the Group earlier in the year of his intention to retire as Secretary at the AGM. The group thanks Max for all his work and for being the groups Secretary for many years.

Administrative Information

The Friends Of March Railway Station is based at and has the buildings on Platform 2 of March Railway Station, the address of which is 4 Station Approach, March PE15 8SJ.

The up to date contact details for The Friends Of March Railway Station can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The FOMRS Committee of Trustees for the period of this report were:

Adrian Sutterby – Chair (resigned 15 February 2024)

Robert Able – Chair (appointed 15 February 2024)

Gary Christy – Vice Chair

Max Mobius – Secretary (resigned 15 February 2024)

Mandy Ward – Secretary (appointed 15 February 2024)

Nicola Christy – Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

1172812

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2023	To	Period end date 31/03/2024
---------------------	---------------------------------	----	-------------------------------

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					
Donations	2,837	200	-	3,037	-
Grants	303	-	-	303	-
Funds from Events	283	-	-	283	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,423	200	-	3,623	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,423	200	-	3,623	-
A3 Payments					
Plants	157	-	-	157	-
Cost of Events	22	-	-	22	-
Maintenance and Repairs	736	-	-	736	-
CCVS Membership	30	-	-	30	-
Insurance	96	-	-	96	-
Sundaries	55	-	-	55	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,096	-	-	1,096	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,096	-	-	1,096	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,327	200	-	2,527	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,785	400	-	2,185	-
Cash funds this year end	4,112	600	-	4,712	-

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	Bank Account	3,171	600	-
	Cash	941	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	4,112	600	-
	(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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

FRIENDS OF MARCH RAILWAY STATION (FOMRS)

England & Wales - Charity number 1172812

Accounts

Charity Number: 1172812
Company Number: CE010206



The Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

Annual Report and Accounts

1 April 2022 – 31 March 2023

Purposes, Aims and Objectives

The purposes, aims and objectives of the Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS) are:

- Maintaining and preserving buildings of heritage importance and interest, associated with the history of railways in March
- Make the facilities of a community room, library, meeting facilities and lecture room available to community groups and community support groups
- Providing resources for learning about the history of and the role the railway has played in development of the town
- A place to display and be viewed by the general public, artefacts donated to the group that relate to the railway history of March

Achievements

With the removal of restrictions as a result of the Covid 19 Pandemic, the group got back into running events.

Two events were held during the year, The Model Railway Exhibition 21st May 2022 and The Heritage Openday on 1st September 2022. Unfortunately where dates clashed with train strike days the footfall was down on pre-covid numbers, but there was a good turnout and healthy levels of donations for the group.

Work continued on general maintenance of the station and sprucing up the rooms that need a repaint.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds for the period were £967.95. The restricted grant of £400 from March Town Council received in 2019-2020 for a gazebo for events which was to be purchased in March 2019, but due to Covid19 this expenditure did not happen as the event was cancelled, will be carried over a further year until events can be restarted in earnest and the gazebo can be purchased.

During the period £710.97 was spent on maintenance and repairs of the rooms and the outside works. Other costs were plants for the station area at £19.98, £30.00 for Cambridgeshire Council for Voluntary Services annual membership and £96.00 for the Groups Liability Insurance which is with Zurich Insurance.

The net result for the year was a surplus of receipts over payments of £216.03. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st March on unrestricted funds is £1,784.80 plus £400.00 restricted funds, giving a total of £2,184.80.

Reserves Policy

FOMRS has an agreement to maintain a balance of circa £2,500 to cover any unforeseen costs. As a result of the Pandemic we have had to fall back on reserves to cover the deficit. The group plan to replenish the reserves is progressing well since being able to commence fundraising activities and events.

FOMRS works on a basis of applying for Grants for specific projects but in general the grant payments although awarded are not paid out until the work has been carried out. The reserves balance held is to fund any projects prior to grant pay out.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all our volunteers that work hard to make the station a vibrant and lively place.

Structure, Management and Governance

The FOMRS structure, management and governance is defined in our constitution. We have a Committee of four Trustees that fulfil the officer roles of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

All decisions are overseen by the Committee and all members have voting rights on all proposals, which are discussed and voted on at regular members meetings and the AGM.

Administrative Information

The Friends Of March Railway Station is based at and has the buildings on Platform 2 of March Railway Station, the address of which is 4 Station Approach, March PE15 8SJ.

The up to date contact details for The Friends Of March Railway Station can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The FOMRS Committee of Trustees for the period of this report were:

Adrian Sutterby – Chair

Gary Christy – Vice Chair

Max Mobius – Secretary

Nicola Christy – Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

1172812

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2022

To

Period end date
31/03/2022

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					
Donations	415	-	-	415	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Funds from Events	553	-	-	553	-
Interest	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	968	-	-	968	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	968	-	-	968	-
A3 Payments					
Plants	20	-	-	20	-
Cost of Events	21	-	-	21	-
Maintenance and Repairs	585	-	-	585	-
CCVS Membership	30	-	-	30	-
Insurance	96	-	-	96	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	752	-	-	752	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	752	-	-	752	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	216	-	-	216	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,569	400	-	1,969	-
Cash funds this year end	1,785	400	-	2,185	-

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	Bank Account	982	400	-
	Cash	802	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,785	400	-
	(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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

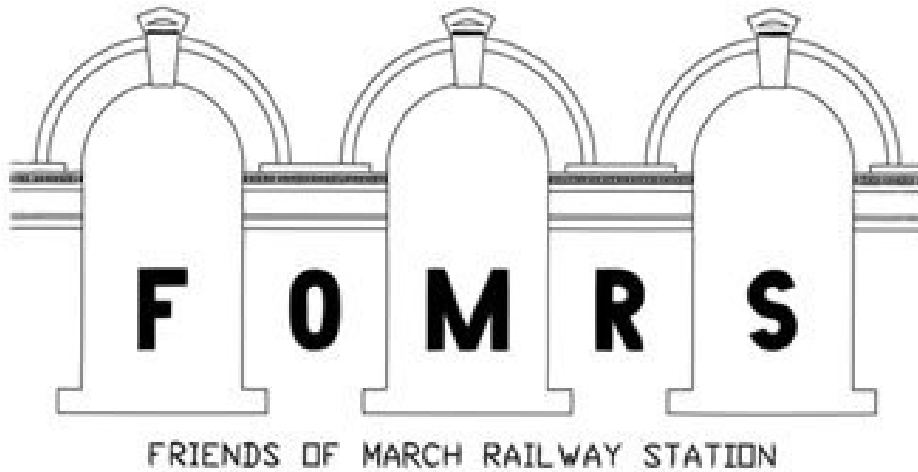
Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

FRIENDS OF MARCH RAILWAY STATION (FOMRS)

England & Wales - Charity number 1172812

Accounts

Charity Number: 1172812
Company Number: CE010206



The Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

Annual Report and Accounts

1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022

Purposes, Aims and Objectives

The purposes, aims and objectives of the Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS) are:

- Maintaining and preserving buildings of heritage importance and interest, associated with the history of railways in March
- Make the facilities of a community room, library, meeting facilities and lecture room available to community groups and community support groups
- Providing resources for learning about the history of and the role the railway has played in development of the town
- A place to display and be viewed by the general public, artefacts donated to the group that relate to the railway history of March

Achievements

This year saw a year of coming out of lockdown and various restrictions coming into play due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

The group decided to continue to put all events on hold and some general maintenance work was carried out, following all social distancing restrictions.

This was very much a year of no income but the group continued on despite this.

Plans were put in place for the first event and all efforts were focused on tidying up the rooms in preparation.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds for the period were £00.00. The restricted grant of £400 from March Town Council received in 2019-2020 for a gazebo for events which was to be purchased in March 2019, but due to Covid19 this expenditure did not happen as the event was cancelled, will be carried over a further year until events can be restarted and the gazebo can be purchased.

£345.01 was spent on maintenance and repairs of the rooms and the outside works. Other costs were plants for the station area at £84.15, £30.00 for Cambridgeshire Council for Voluntary Services annual membership and £96.00 for the Groups Liability Insurance which is with Zurich Insurance.

The net result for the year was a deficit of receipts over payments of £551.16. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st March on unrestricted funds is £1,568.77 plus £400.00 restricted funds, giving a total of £1,968.77.

Reserves Policy

FOMRS has an agreement to maintain a balance of circa £2,500 to cover any unforeseen costs. During the Pandemic we have had to fall back on reserves to cover the deficit. We plan to replenish the reserves as soon as we can commence fundraising activities and events. FOMRS works on a basis of applying for Grants for specific projects but in general the grant payments although awarded are not paid out until the work has been carried out. The reserves balance held is to fund any projects prior to grant pay out.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all our volunteers that work hard to make the station a vibrant and lively place.

Structure, Management and Governance

The FOMRS structure, management and governance is defined in our constitution. We have a Committee of four Trustees that fulfil the officer roles of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

All decisions are overseen by the Committee and all members have voting rights on all proposals, which are discussed and voted on at regular members meetings and the AGM.

Administrative Information

The Friends Of March Railway Station is based at and has the buildings on Platform 2 of March Railway Station, the address of which is 4 Station Approach, March PE15 8SJ.

The FOMRS Committee of Trustees for the period of this report were:

Adrian Sutterby – Chair

Gary Christy – Vice Chair

Max Mobius – Secretary

Nicola Christy – Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

1172812

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2021

To

Period end date
31/03/2022

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					
Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Funds from Events	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Payments					
Plants	84	-	-	84	-
Cost of Events	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance and Repairs	345	-	-	345	-
CCVS Membership	30	-	-	30	-
Insurance	96	-	-	96	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	555	-	-	555	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	555	-	-	555	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 555	-	-	- 555	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,124	400	-	2,524	-
Cash funds this year end	1,569	400	-	1,969	-

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	Bank Account	1,244	400	-
	Cash	325	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,569	400	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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

	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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	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

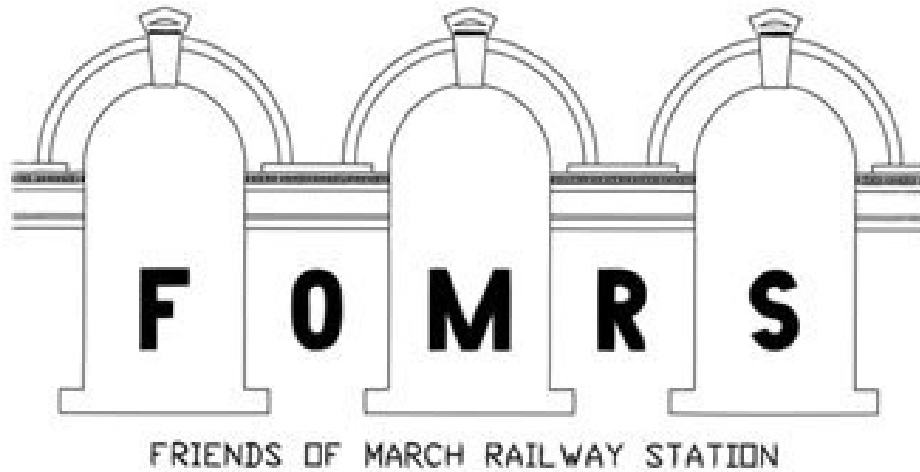
Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

FRIENDS OF MARCH RAILWAY STATION (FOMRS)

England & Wales - Charity number 1172812

Accounts

Charity Number: 1172812
Company Number: CE010206



The Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

Annual Report and Accounts

1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021

Purposes, Aims and Objectives

The purposes, aims and objectives of the Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS) are:

- Maintaining and preserving buildings of heritage importance and interest, associated with the history of railways in March
- Make the facilities of a community room, library, meeting facilities and lecture room available to community groups and community support groups
- Providing resources for learning about the history of and the role the railway has played in development of the town
- A place to display and be viewed by the general public, artefacts donated to the group that relate to the railway history of March

Achievements

This year has been particularly challenging for the group. No sooner had the new period started we were into national lockdowns due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

This meant that all the groups events had to be cancelled and all work came to a stop. The situation remained very much on hold for the fully 12 months.

A few visits were carried out by members of the group to keep an eye on the facilities. We did suffer from some vandalism and a break-in, which did lead to expenditure needed to replace locks, etc.

Some limited work did take place during the restrictions, mainly around enhancing the security by the installation of additional security bars to the windows. A grant was received from the Hereward Community Rail Partnership to help pay towards this.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds for the period were £55.02. A restricted grant of £1,000 was received from Hereward Community Rail Partnership towards the purchase of security bars for the windows. The restricted grant of £400 from March Town Council received in 2019-2020 for a gazebo for events which was to be purchased in March 2019, but due to Covid19 this expenditure did not happen as the event was cancelled. The restricted funds will be carried over a further year until events can be restarted and the gazebo can be purchased.

£1,628.49 was spent on maintenance and repairs of the rooms and the outside works (including the £1,000 restricted funds for the window security bars). Other costs were plants for the station area at £77.30, and £30.00 for Cambridgeshire Council for Voluntary Services annual membership.

The net result for the year was a deficit of receipts over payments of £650.77. Adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st March on unrestricted funds is £2,123.93.15 plus £400.00 restricted funds.

Reserves Policy

FOMRS has an agreement to maintain a balance of circa £2,500 to cover any unforeseen costs. During the Pandemic we have had to fall back on reserves to cover the deficit. We plan to replenish the reserves as soon as we can commence fundraising activities and events. FOMRS works on a basis of applying for Grants for specific projects but in general the grant payments although awarded are not paid out until the work has been carried out. The reserves balance held is to fund any projects prior to grant pay out.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all our volunteers that work hard to make the station a vibrant and lively place.

Structure, Management and Governance

The FOMRS structure, management and governance is defined in our constitution. We have a Committee of four Trustees that fulfil the officer roles of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer.

All decisions are overseen by the Committee and all members have voting rights on all proposals, which are discussed and voted on at regular members meetings and the AGM.

Administrative Information

The Friends Of March Railway Station is based at and has the buildings on Platform 2 of March Railway Station, the address of which is 4 Station Approach, March PE15 8SJ.

The FOMRS Committee of Trustees for the period of this report were:

Adrian Sutterby – Chairperson

Gary Christy – Vice Chairperson

Max Mobius – Secretary

Nicola Christy – Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Friends Of March Railway Station (FOMRS)

1172812

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2020

To

Period end date
31/03/2021

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					
Donations	52	-	-	52	-
Grants	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Funds from Events	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	2	-	-	2	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	55	1,000	-	1,055	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	55	1,000	-	1,055	-
A3 Payments					
Plants	77	-	-	77	-
Cost of Events	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance and Repairs	598	1,000	-	1,598	-
CCVS Membership	30	-	-	30	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	706	1,000	-	1,706	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	706	1,000	-	1,706	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 651	-	-	- 651	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,775	400	-	3,175	-
Cash funds this year end	2,124	400	-	2,524	-

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	Bank Account	1,799	400	-
	Cash	325	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	2,124	400	-
	(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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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