

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
From	Period start date			To	Period end date	
	01	04	2020		31	03

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Parallel Histories		
Other names charity is known by			
Registered charity number (if any)	1174481		
Charity's principal address	West Winds		
	Westbourne Road		
	Lancaster		
	Postcode LA1 5EF		

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	Hugh Castle	Chair		
2	Patrick Taylor			
3	Abdalkarim Zawawi			
4	Marie José Hunter		Up to August 2020	
5	Clare O Sullivan		From September 2020	
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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)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointment

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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Section C Objectives and activities

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

To advance the education of young people in controversial history topics by means of researching and creating free educational materials including interactive videos and distributing these to teachers

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 main activities undertaken for public benefit are the research, creation and distribution of free educational materials in the form of interactive videos.

The Trustees take action to monitor and ensure that the charity acts to further these objectives in all its activities.

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.

The charity is reliant on a network of teachers in secondary schools who use Parallel Histories materials teaching method in their classrooms.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During this year we have been largely insulated from the negative effects of Covid and school closure as our products and services are largely online.

We continued to develop new video product, developed a digital debating programme, raised awareness of the Charity, and added new schools to the network.

We received an income of £70,146 from a mixture of donations, grants and fees for our charitable services. This represents an increase of £14,696 on the previous year.

We have continued to build our public profile: we received press coverage in the Guardian, the Belfast Telegraph, Irish Times and BBC radio and TV news as well as local newspapers. Website users passed 32,000, up from 14000 last year.

In terms of product development, we continued to focus our efforts on shorter debate videos, added 'chapters' to our Scottish product and created the first two programmes for our Northern Irish product. We developed a new online interschool debating programme which we launched when schools closed in the spring. During this year we ran debates involving over 400 students from 28 schools.

We launched online CPD for teachers in June and have continued to run regular sessions. By the end of the year, we had trained 155 teachers from 101 schools.

The schools using our products and services this year has greatly increased from 28 to over 160 and our geographical reach across the UK is now much more even. We have run a number of interschool debates connecting schools in the UK with schools in other countries.

We continued to work with partners like Solutions not Sides and the Balfour Project and deliver training modules through the PTI. In addition, we have partnered with a veterans' charity called Forward Assist to offer debate training which brings together students from our schools with former service women.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees are satisfied with the performance of the charity in its first period and with the position of the reserves at the end of the period. It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds at a level which the trustees believe appropriate after considering the future commitments of the charity and the likely administrative costs of the charity in the coming year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

n/a

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.


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's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Hugh Castle

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

15/07/2021



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Parallel Histories	No (if any) 1174481
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 4/1/2020	To	Period end date 3/31/2021
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
Donations	14,590	-	-	14,590
Grants	25,000	20,805	-	45,805
Fees for charitable services	4,072	-	-	4,072
Other	5,679	-	-	5,679
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	49,341	20,805	-	70,146
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	49,341	20,805	-	70,146
A3 Payments				
Salaries and wages	23,952	17,075	-	41,027
Administration, printing and web licences	1,490	172	-	1,662
London conference	-	-	-	-
Other	7,932	340	-	8,272
Teacher Fellowship	1,250	-	-	1,250
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	34,624	17,587	-	52,211
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	34,624	17,587	-	52,211
Net of receipts/(payments)	14,717	3,218	-	17,935
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	27,619	-	-	27,619
Cash funds this year end	42,336	3,218	-	45,554

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		42,336	3,218
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	42,336	3,218
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
B3 Investment assets			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
B5 Liabilities			-
			-
			-
			-
			-

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

Signature



Print Name

Hugh Castle, Chair of Trustees

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**Last year
to the nearest £**

50,100
-
5,350
-
-
-
-
-
55,450

-
-

55,450

22,334
2,494
2,697
2,041
-
-
-
-
-
29,566

-

29,566

25,884
-
1,735
27,619



**Endowment
funds**

to nearest £

-
-
-
-

OK

**Endowment
funds**

to nearest £

-
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**Current value
(optional)**

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**Current value
(optional)**

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**When due
(optional)**

Date of
approval

7/15/2021



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Parallel Histories

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/03/2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1174481

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2020.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention, other than that disclosed below, in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

13/07/2021

Name:

Elizabeth Bateman

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)

Address:

1 Greenwood Crescent, Bolton-le-Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire.

LA5 8BE

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.