

Friends of Keswick St John

Trustees Annual Report

Name of the Charity: The Friends of Keswick St John

Registration number with Charity Commission: 1175886

Status: Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Registration date: November 2017

This report relates to financial year from: 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022

Principal address: c/o The Secretary, Springfield, Springs Road, Keswick, CA12 4AQ

The following individuals were the charity trustees on the date the report was approved:

Michael Webb (appointed)
Richard Dale (appointed)
Val Montgomery (nominated)
Eve Massey (nominated)
Michael Sadgrove (appointed)
Christine White (nominated)
Charles Hope (ex-officio – Vicar of Keswick St John)

The following individuals served as charity trustees during the year:

Michael Webb (appointed)
Val Montgomery (nominated)
Doreen Hodder (resigned December 2021)
Eve Massey (nominated)
Michael Sadgrove (appointed)

Christine White (nominated) from April 2021

Charles Hope (ex-officio – Vicar of Keswick St John)

Richard Dale (appointed)

Constitution – formalised on 19th September 2017. Maximum number of Trustees is 8 of which no more than 3 appointed, 1 ex-officio and at least 3 nominated by the Parish Church Council.

Objects: For the benefit of the public to maintain, repair, restore, preserve, improve and enhance the fabric of the church of Keswick St John in the Diocese of Carlisle, its monuments, fixtures, fittings, furniture, stained glass, ornaments and other chattels and its graveyard.

Main Achievements of 2022

Since we have come out of the pandemic, the charity has been able to restart some of its activities. The Friends have welcomed a new trustee and appointed Richard Dale, formerly Chief Finance Officer of Newcastle University, as Treasurer.

The charity has run two successful fundraising events. The Bishop's Garden and Azalea Walk event in May drew a crowd of around 70 people who enjoyed an afternoon seeing the transformation of the Bishop's house (the old vicarage) garden by Mrs Alison Newcome and a splendid tea provided by the Friends. A plant stall raised additional funds for the church. A total of £670 was raised. A splendid Trivia quiz night, masterminded by Eve Massey, was a great success in November and raised £500.

The Friends Annual Get together took the form of a talk about the historic organ at St John's by John Cooper Green, the Organist and Director of Music. He also illustrated his talk by playing some wonderful pieces of organ music. As a result, several people joined the Friends. Two newsletters were sent out to existing Friends – one on the items in the church, the other on the life and work of the church's architect, Anthony Salvin.

The PCC made a request that the Friends should provide funds to replace the gate to the churchyard on Borrowdale Road and this was agreed at a cost of £901.

The trustees have read the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance and have had regard to this when running the charity.

This guidance is available to read on the Charity Commission's gov.uk website.

A review of the Charity's financial position at the year-end:

In the financial year 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022 the Charity had an income of £4,105 and expenditure of £1,170 and had a credit balance of £8,316.49 at 31 December 2022.

There are no funds held by the Charity that are in deficit.

Membership We have sadly lost three members of the Friends through death this year – Ms Christine Brookman, Mrs Gill Selvey and Canon Brian Selvey and we wish to record our thanks for their generous support. Several people have joined the Friends and we have some 47 paid up members.



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Friends of Keswick St John's

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1175886

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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 31st December 2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:

J B

Date:

17.01.23

Name:

GESA BRINKMANN, ACA

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

ICAEW

Address:

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Friends of Keswick St John

Receipts and Payments Account

For year from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022

	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Receipts				
Donations, legacies and similar income				
Membership subscriptions	1,365	0	1,365	1,290
Donations	1,100	0	1,100	5
Legacies	0	0	0	0
Gift Aid	0	0	0	461
Other similar income	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	2,465	0	2,465	1,756
Grants				
Grant	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	0	0	0	0
Fundraising (gross)				
Cards & Postcards	105	0	105	79
Events	1,535	0	1,535	0
Miscellaneous sales	0	0	0	0
Sub total	1,640	0	78	78
Investment income				
Building Society interest	0	0	0	1
Sub Total	0	0	1	1
Total Gross Income	4,105	0	4,105	1,836
Asset & investment sales	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	4,105	0	4,105	1,836
Expenditure				
Grants to St John's Church, Keswick	901	0	901	2,500
Fundraising costs	190	0	190	0
Administration	86	0	86	38
Total Expenditure	1,177	0	1,177	2,538
Surplus for the year	2,928	0	2,928	(702)
Total Funds				
Start of year	5,388	0	5,388	6,090
Surplus in the year	2,928	0	2,928	(702)
End of year	8,316	0	8,316	5,388