

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022
FOR
SEPTAGON CHARITY

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

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SEPTAGON CHARITY
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2022. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Charity Origins

Since its inception the charity has made donations totalling £1,146,860 to local good causes.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Septagon, founded in 2018, has had three years to mature, and now, looking at its activities in the context of the times in which we live, we have a clearer idea of what it has done and where it is going. Although the grants given out have been very varied in the size, and the receiving organisations quite disparate in function, we do now notice a common feature, which is the need to create, or try to create, a sense of community in the increasingly fragmented world in which we are living. This can sometimes be clearly seen, as with a day trip of children with their parents to a local zoo, or the setting up of postal services and a small library in a town suburb, but sometimes it is less obvious: legal advice to those who cannot afford solicitors fees gives help, among a wider group, to a refugee population, which then helps them to get integrated into our society.

We have tried to follow a number of principles in running our charity. The first is to keep the costs down as much as possible. So, we have no website, offices, special stationery, or employees, and no more than three trustees. Time and money spent on administration means less time and money going to those we might help.

The second is to try and help charities which are themselves vulnerable and fearful of closure. In fact, Septagon has given to well-established and to less well-established charities, but in a few cases we have been pleased to have given to charities that might have closed down without our help.

The third is to try and keep a close relationship with whatever charity we support. This is not always easy. Charity workers are nearly always very dedicated and very busy, and one is fearful of encroaching too much on their time. Their work is often confidential, so that one cannot be brought in as an observer. We have to prefer local charities over ones further away, otherwise there would be more travel than we could manage.

Fourthly, we have adhered to the basic Septagon 'mission statement', to fund local organisations committed to helping the poor and vulnerable in our society, but even so have made certain exceptions: so we have funded a print museum, and given money to help complete a school theatre

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

From its inception and up to April 2022, Septagon has made 61 separate awards to between 30 and 40 different organisations. The average award size is about £16,500, but they have varied from £1,000 at the lower end to (in one case) an award of £200,000. This adds up to about a million pounds so far, which is roughly a half of the charity's initial resources at its foundation in 2018.

Examples of large grants are donations to

New Routes Integration- see newroutes.org.uk

The Bridge Plus - see bridgeplus.org.uk

St Edmunds Society - see st-eds.org

The Matthew Project - see matthewproject.org

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and is controlled by its constitution, as defined by the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

CE014008 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1178249

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

Registered office

49 Park Lane
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Trustees

Dr M Porter
Mrs R A Porter
Mr I Couzens

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27/1/23 and signed on its behalf by:

Handwritten signature of Dr M Porter in black ink, appearing as 'M f Porter'.

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Dr M Porter - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SEPTAGON CHARITY**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Septagon Charity ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 5 April 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



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Date: 27/1/23

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

	Notes	2022 Unrestricted fund £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		148,000	480,807
Investment income	2	39,015	42,871
Total		<u>187,015</u>	<u>523,678</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds		10,382	12,374
Charitable activities			
Donations to charities		488,000	306,220
Total		<u>498,382</u>	<u>318,594</u>
Net gains on investments		<u>71,541</u>	<u>316,174</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(239,826)	521,258
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		1,788,895	1,267,637
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>1,549,069</u></u>	<u><u>1,788,895</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
5 APRIL 2022

	Notes	2022 Unrestricted fund £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	5	1,288,113	1,532,169
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		266,619	264,382
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(5,663)	(7,656)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>260,956</u>	<u>256,726</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,549,069	1,788,895
NET ASSETS		<u>1,549,069</u>	<u>1,788,895</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		<u>1,549,069</u>	<u>1,788,895</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>1,549,069</u>	<u>1,788,895</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 5 April 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 23/11/23 and were signed on its behalf by:


Dr M Porter - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are shown at fair value using the closing quoted market price at the balance sheet date.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Gift aid interest	-	3,173
Interest receivable	10,488	8,646
Investment income	28,527	31,052
	<u>39,015</u>	<u>42,871</u>

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2022 nor for the year ended 5 April 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5 April 2022 nor for the year ended 5 April 2021.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	480,807
Investment income	42,871
Total	<u>523,678</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	12,374
Charitable activities	
Donations to charities	306,220
Total	<u>318,594</u>
Net gains on investments	<u>316,174</u>
NET INCOME	521,258
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	1,267,637
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>1,788,895</u></u>

5. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2022 £	2021 £
Shares	1,284,526	1,527,590
Bank account	3,587	4,579
	<u>1,288,113</u>	<u>1,532,169</u>

Additional information as follows:

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 6 April 2021	1,527,590
Additions	39,015
Disposals	(353,620)
Revaluations	71,541
At 5 April 2022	<u>1,284,526</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2022	<u>1,284,526</u>
At 5 April 2021	<u>1,527,590</u>

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

During the year the charity sold shares valued at £353,620, resulting in a realised gain of £10,537.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

Investments (neither listed nor unlisted) were as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank account	3,587	4,579

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	3,563	3,456
Accrued expenses	2,100	4,200
	5,663	7,656

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,788,895	(239,826)	1,549,069
TOTAL FUNDS	1,788,895	(239,826)	1,549,069

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	187,015	(498,382)	71,541	(239,826)
TOTAL FUNDS	187,015	(498,382)	71,541	(239,826)

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,267,637	521,258	1,788,895
TOTAL FUNDS	1,267,637	521,258	1,788,895

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	523,678	(318,594)	316,174	521,258
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>523,678</u>	<u>(318,594)</u>	<u>316,174</u>	<u>521,258</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,267,637	281,432	1,549,069
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,267,637</u>	<u>281,432</u>	<u>1,549,069</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	710,693	(816,976)	387,715	281,432
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>710,693</u>	<u>(816,976)</u>	<u>387,715</u>	<u>281,432</u>

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the period the charity was charged £3,670 for accountancy services by a company of which the trustee, Ian Couzens, is a director and majority shareholder.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Trustee donations	148,000	3,320
Gift aid tax credit	-	477,487
	<u>148,000</u>	<u>480,807</u>
Investment income		
Gift aid interest	-	3,173
Interest receivable	10,488	8,646
Investment income	28,527	31,052
	<u>39,015</u>	<u>42,871</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>187,015</u>	<u>523,678</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Charitable donations	488,000	306,220
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	5,770	6,146
Investment managers' fees	4,612	6,228
	<u>10,382</u>	<u>12,374</u>
Total resources expended	<u>498,382</u>	<u>318,594</u>
Net (expenditure)/income before gains and losses	<u>(311,367)</u>	<u>205,084</u>
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	10,537	-
Unrealised gains on investments	61,004	316,174
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(239,826)</u>	<u>521,258</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements