



FRIENDS OF THE MONASTÈRE SAINT-BENOÎT

ANNUAL REPORT 2025

In the fiscal year ending 5th April 2025 the Charity raised £35,671.55 through donations received from benefactors and through Gift Aid. This is once again a slightly smaller amount than in the previous year but has nevertheless been adequate for supporting the Charity's goals, particularly given that the restoration works on the monastery buildings is yet to commence.

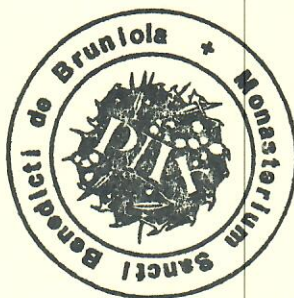
This year once again, thanks to its devoted volunteer Secretary, the Charity's administrative expenses were kept to a minimum, comprising charges levied by financial institutions and by JustGiving.

The Charity's principal outgoings were the transfer of funds to the Monastère Saint-Benoit (£29,00.00) in support of its life and work, and bank and JustGiving fees. Subsidiary outgoings included church supplies, books, etc., sourced in the UK for the use of the monastery, as well as the expenses related to the doctoral studies of one of the monks at St Mary's University, Twickenham, making a total of £34,397.20 in outgoings.

This sixth full year of the Charity's operation has yet certainly been successful in respect of its stated aims and all the Trustees look forward to continuing their work once again in the coming year, conscious of the fact that when renovation and construction works finally commence, further fundraising initiatives will be needed.

The Trustees have approved this report and the appended statement of accounts, accepting their external verification, by means of email to the Acting Chairman.

DOM Alcuin REID
Acting Chairman of Trustees
25 January 2026



Friends of Monastere St Benoit Accounts for year ending 05/04/2025

Charity No. 1182277

Description	Amount £	Totals £
Income and Expenditure		
Receipts		
Cheques, cash and online payments	£13,552.00	
Friends of Justgiving	£10,635.63	
Payroll Giving Fund	£80.00	
Paypal Giving Fund	£6,974.91	
Charities Trust	£277.20	
HMRC Gift Aid receipts	£4,122.48	
Purchases	£0.00	
Interest	£29.33	
Total Donations	£35,671.55	
Total Receipts		35,671.55
Payments		
General expenses	£2,492.20	
Education	£2,460.00	
Bank Charges	£85.00	
Just giving monthly fee	£360.00	
Transfer to MSB	£29,000.00	
Total Payments		34,397.20
Receipts less Payments		1,274.35
Balance Sheet		
Bank account balance as at 05/04/2024		12,467.80
Excess of Income over expenditure		1,274.35
Bank account balance as at 05/04/2025		13,742.15
Loan B/fwd and C/fwd		20,000.00
Bank balance as per bank statement 5/4/2024		12,467.80
Bank balance as per bank statement 5/4/2025		13,742.15
Net movement in the bank account		(1,274.35)
check total difference		0.00

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner of Friends of the Monastère St Benoit

The charity trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act.
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view", and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention, which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- the accounts accord with such records; and
- the accounts comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006

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: and

- the accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102)

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.

Wayne Kitcat MA. 

Date

28/12/2020

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