

THE SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

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Details

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Activities

Objects: THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS ARE FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT:-4.1 THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE HERITAGE AND HISTORY OF THE HISTORIC COUNTY OF LINCOLNSHIRE BY RECORDING LOCAL HISTORY, ARCHAEOLOGY, INDUSTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGY, TOPOGRAPHY, ARCHITECTURE, POPULATION STUDIES, DIALECT, MANNERS, CUSTOMS AND OTHER SIMILAR OBJECTS OF LOCAL INTEREST; AND4.2 TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE BUILDING KNOWN AS JEWS' COURT, LINCOLN AND THE RUINS OF BARDNEY ABBEY, LINCOLNSHIRE

Activities: The objects of the Society are for the benefit of the public to:- advance the heritage of the historic county of Lincolnshire; advance education by recording local history, archaeology, industrial archaeology, topography, architecture, population studies, dialect and other similar objects of local interest; and preserve the building known as Jews' Court, Lincoln and the ruins of Bardney Abbey

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Lincolnshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£91,759	£100,332	-	-
2024-03-31	£61,477	£65,987	-	-
2023-03-31	£66,917	£58,698	-	-
2022-03-31	£33,513	£43,692	-	-
2021-03-31	£46,895	£44,512	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Steven George Stefaniuk	Chair	2019-03-21
Christine Susan Gilham		2023-10-05
Dr Andrew G Walker		2021-10-23
Dr Stewart Alan George Bennett		2021-10-23
Ian Kenneth George		2020-03-25
Michael Owen Daly		2021-02-06
NEIL RICHARD WRIGHT		2019-03-21
Rosalyn Diane Mellows		2019-10-12
STEPHEN JOHN BETTERIDGE MICE		2021-02-06

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Accounts



SOCIETY FOR
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2025 ANNUAL REPORT



Patron : Ursula Lidbetter
President : Naomi Field
Chair : Andrew Walker
Vice Chairs : Mike Daly & Heather Hughes

Treasurer : Chris Hewis
Secretary/Heritage Engagement Officer: Kathy Holland
Charity Number : 1182569
Total Membership : 645

Chair's Report

There has, as usual, been a lot to keep members occupied this year with a busy schedule of activities extending across the range of the Society's interests.

As is made clear in many of the reports from the various committees and groups that make up the Society, new volunteers are warmly welcomed to take part in their work. If you'd like to join one of these groups, please do contact Kathy Holland

Fundraising is very much in the forefront of our thinking at present. In his report, Steve Stefaniuk, the Chair of Trustees mentions the imminent repair work and improvements that need to be undertaken to our headquarters, Jews' Court. We will keep members informed of progress with this.

Although membership of the Society is quite healthy, we would like to welcome still more and urge current members to spread the word to their friends and family members. Perhaps a gift membership subscription to the Society might make an appropriate present for someone you know?

At the Society's forthcoming AGM, members will be invited to consider and approve a Strategic Plan which we have been working on for the past six months. Trustees and executive members gathered together to produce a draft document in the spring and over the summer it has been available for members to view and to make further suggestions. Thanks to everyone who has made their comments known in this process so far. The final months of the Society's golden jubilee celebrations are mentioned elsewhere, though it's worth emphasising that one important legacy will be the SLHA display boards. These have proved to be a helpful way of raising awareness of the Society and its activities and we will continue to use them to publicise the Society across the entire historic county.

Thanks to everyone who has contributed in some way to the activities that are recorded in this Annual Report either as active participants or audience members. We value all your contributions and of course as a membership organisation we couldn't do much of what we do without your active involvement. We look forward to the coming year in which we already have many events planned. However, we would like to hear from you, especially if you have any thoughts about things we should be doing, themes we should be exploring, places we should be visiting, and speakers we should be inviting. I'd like to finish by offering some thanks. Firstly, to Ros Beevers, editor of the Society's magazine, *Lincolnshire Past & Present*, and Kathy Holland for her tremendous work as the Society's Heritage Engagement Officer, ensuring the smooth running of the Society's many events. I also wish to echo the thanks recorded by Steve Stefaniuk to our retiring Treasurer, Chris Hewis who has served the Society in this role with considerable distinction for over two decades. We are considerably in his debt.

Andrew Walker, Chair of the Society

Property

Cyclical maintenance continues to be carried out at Jews' Court including, boiler maintenance, annual asbestos check, PAT Testing, intruder and fire alarm servicing.

Checks and monitoring are carried out at approved intervals to the fire alarm, emergency lighting, the Intruder Alarm System, smoke and heat detection and fire extinguishers.

Members of the Property Team are working with Stewart Bennett to complete a funding application to the Heritage Lottery Fund in order to carry out structural stabilisation to the front of Jews' Court. Listed Building Consent has been obtained for these repair works. It has been decided to explore separate funding options to cover the demolition and replacement of a 50+ year old shed in the

garden behind Jews' Court. Permission has been granted for the demolition work.

In June 2025 part of a large tree, which had grown over the shed, collapsed and brought down an overhead electricity supply serving the shed, this was isolated by Gladwin Electrical on the same day and Tree Services removed some branches from the fallen tree. A section of material containing asbestos attached to a stay, pulled from the shed by the falling tree was removed by Rilmac. Consent to remove the remains of the collapsed tree was obtained from the City Council and the work carried out.

When the overhead cable was removed it was ascertained that an unprotected cable to the side of the shed was 'live' and could not be isolated. It has been inspected by National Grid who are scheduled to remove the 'live' cable and meter.

Hazard tape has been wrapped around the cable in question and the shed declared 'out of bounds' Maintenance of the gardens to the rear of Jews' Court has continued with grateful thanks to Dave Mellows

Members of the Property Team continue to participate in meetings and site visits regarding the future of the Bardney Abbey site.

Colin Holland for the Property Team

Industrial Archaeology

The Annual Industrial Archaeology conference, *Draining the Land* was held at Boston's Guildhall Museum. Presentations included an explanation of the history and work of a local Internal Drainage Board, the recent comprehensive refurbishment of Keadby Pumping Station and Boston's waterfront.

The talk *Dunham Bridge - Then and Now*, held in person on 19th February 2025 gave the history of this toll bridge from construction in 1831 up to the present. Elements of the maintenance and operation of the bridge were explained.

A further in-person talk on *Lincolnshire Papermaking and Paper Mills* comprehensively covered the history of papermaking in Lincolnshire. The processes of papermaking, together with a description of the mills and their locations were included in this informative talk.

The Team provided a speaker for the Louth Heritage Day on the topic of the Louth Navigation. Team members also contributed to Sunday Special events with talks on Watermills in Lincolnshire and Robeys of Lincoln.

Field work included ongoing work on the Austen Fen Warehouse on the Louth Canal.

The project to celebrate Lincolnshire's Bricks and Brickmakers continues. Activities include visits to the remains of brick works to record their remains as well as the recording the details of locally produced bricks.

The publication of the late Eric Newton's series of books, *A History of Water Supply in Lincolnshire* continues with the publication of the second volume which covers Lincoln's water supply.

Stephen Betteridge, Chair of the Industrial Archaeology Team



The Industrial Archaeology Conference at Boston Guildhall

Local History

We held our Annual Conference on the theme of Lincolnshire Explorers & Inventors at Walton Academy in Grantham. There were five presentations on subjects from the famous Sir Joseph Banks to the rather less well-known Richard Hill. The event finished with a fine performance of music, poems and stories on the day's theme.

The Team held two well-received talks at St Hugh's in Lincoln on Lincolnshire *Photographers & their Postcards* and *Torrington's Tour of Lincolnshire in 1791*. We also hosted the Sunday Special in Nettleham in January where the Flora Murray Award was presented, in his absence, to David Start for his website on Lincolnshire's medieval crosses.

Our Churches group has hosted three separate day trips to churches this year based on Wellingore, Colsterworth and Donington. Another is planned for later this year with more being arranged for 2026. Next April sees a Historic Churches conference in Heckington. My thanks go to Jean Howard for taking the lead of this group.

Restructuring at the University of Lincoln has led to the departure of Natalie Brimecome-Mills from the team but we are pleased to welcome Professor Amy Livingstone in Natalie's place, and we will also be joined in our work by Adrian Gray. Thanks are due as ever to Kathy Holland for her help and support and to Caroline Crane for her continuing fine work as Minutes Secretary.

Mark Acton Chair, Local History Team

Building Recording Group (RUBL)

This year RUBL continued working on established projects and added one new one, Lincoln Greyfriars. RUBL members had access to the whole building during the major restoration work. The plan is to publish the results of the survey in *Vernacular Architecture and Lincolnshire History and Archaeology*.

The survey of the Headmaster's House at the King's School Grantham was completed. The report was well received by the headmaster. Work continues on the RUBL element of *The Lincolnshire Hearth Tax* volume which will be published jointly by the Lincoln Record Society and the British Record Society.

The Kirkstead report was completed. An additional building was found in the garden at Abbey Farm, Stixwold and is being surveyed. RUBL members continue to play a leading role in the Lincoln Local List project.

The proposed new Lincoln Local List of some 400 heritage assets is scheduled for adoption by the City Council later in 2025. Discussions continue with Lincolnshire County Council on a project to better understand mud and stud buildings.

RUBL members are contributing to the Lincoln Civic Trust's Blue Plaque project and also took part in the Lincolnshire Landscape conference in June. There have been regular Zoom meetings throughout the year.

Ken Hollamby, Secretary for David Stocker, Chairman

SLHA Study Tour

This year's Study Tour in July was to the Isle of Wight. There were twenty-five on the trip. On day one we drove to Portsmouth for the ferry and on to our hotel in Shanklin. We started the following day with a visit to the amazing Dinosaur Isle Museum in Sandown followed, after lunch, with a visit to Brading Roman Villa. In the evening, we had a talk about Tennyson and his life on the Isle of Wight. Day three was spent in the west of the island. In the morning, we visited Tennyson's home, Farringford House. Lunch was at the National Trust's Old Battery with a magnificent view of the Needles. In the afternoon we went to Dimbola, home of the nineteenth century photographer Julia Margaret Cameron. On our last day on the island, we visited Carisbrooke Castle

and Osbourne House. On our journey back to Lincoln we stopped at the Museum of Rural Life in Reading. Plans are well advanced for a Study Tour to Chester in July 2026.

Ken Hollamby

Lincolnshire Heritage Ltd (Booksales)

The Directors of Lincolnshire Heritage remain the same. The bookshop continues to make regular sales and Lincolnshire Heritage transferred just under £20000 to the Society. High quality donations of books, both fact and fiction are still urgently needed to increase sales. Our major problem has been that we have not been able to access the storage facility in the back garden of Jews Court. We had to cancel our stand at the Heckington Show due not being able to retrieve the stock we had assembled there for it. However, earlier in the year we had a stand at the Woodhall Spa Show and though the sales were not very high we felt we made a lot of contacts and raised interest in the Society.

We have excellent volunteers and have had several more join us as the result of an advertisement on Facebook. We are still only open Wednesday to Saturday and hope that we can open on more days and engage more help with organising bookstalls at events.

The shop has been renamed 'Steep Hill Bookshop' and the new colourful hanging sign is making people aware of us and bringing more customers in.

We have just published another book via KDP in the series A History of Water Supply in Lincolnshire, this time on Lincoln. This method seems very successful as it means we do not have any significant upfront costs and just order as many as we required. We now have Facebook site dedicated to the Bookshop and are also hoping that it will be possible to sell books via the new website.

Eva Moore, Chris Gilham and Roz Mellows, Bookshop Managers

Trustees

The Trustees have had a busy twelve months.

A recurring theme for many months has been the deterioration of the bookstore behind Jews' Court. This has been closely monitored by the Property Committee and widely discussed by the Trustees and the Executive Committee. The decision to limit access to the building over health and safety concerns has caused considerable disruption to many volunteers, and we are grateful for their forbearance.

The Trustees have also been involved with the need for structural repairs to Jews' Court. Again, the Property Committee has overseen this work, and we are grateful to them for the many hours spent in deliberation over the planning and repercussions that will be inevitable whilst carrying out this critical project.

This remedial work will need a submission to a funding agency for grant funding, if successful this will be as a result of the efforts of the "Bid" group, which is being led by Stewart Bennett.

Finance is another major area of responsibility for the trustees. We have been working closely with our treasurer, Chris Hewis, and other partners to map out a sustainable future for this key responsibility. Chris has worked tirelessly over many years, often in challenging circumstances, to maintain financial stability, for which we owe him many thanks.

Another major area has been the development of a draft Strategic Plan. This will pave the way to a business plan in due course. Please consider being involved in the development of this process, the more input from our members the better.

Steve Stefaniuk, Chair of the Trustees

Archaeology Team

Unfortunately, a long-time servant of the Archaeology Team, passed away in June. Dr Glyn Coppack was Inspector with English Heritage for many years and in retirement had his research into medieval religious houses. He was a widely published and highly-respected scholar whose wisdom will be sorely missed by the Committee.

This year has also seen a high-profile resignation from the committee. Mick Jones, once the Director of the City of Lincoln Archaeology Unit and the Archaeology Officer of Lincoln City Council, served on several committees since 1974. His contribution is incomparable, and he will be missed by all who have worked alongside him over the years. Mick's experience of working in Lincoln is captured in an autobiography, *Digging Lincoln*, published this year. It's so good we had to launch it twice with two highly successful events at Lincoln Central Library.

Members of the committee took part in a number of activities across the county ranging from learning about Ground Penetrating Radar with member Chris Caswell in Lincoln Castle to digging with Dr Sam Tipper on South Common in Lincoln in search of evidence of Lincoln's medieval leper hospital.

At the core of the Archaeology Team's activities are the events it organises on behalf of the Society, and this year saw some excellent lectures and the highly successful conference at Welton Village Hall on what we can learn from studying human remains.

Ian George, Chair of the Archaeology Team

History of Lincolnshire Committee

The Committee meets on a quarterly basis. Following the publication in July 2024 of Professor Andrew Jackson's, *Rural England Through War and Peace: The Literary Work of Lincolnshire's Bernard Samuel Gilbert, 1882-1927*, we are grateful to Professor Jackson for his work raising awareness of this important work through the many talks he has undertaken across the county during the year. The book is available for purchase at Steep Hill Bookshop.

At present we are dealing with the manuscripts of four volumes. We hope to be going to press with these in the future. Proposals for monographs relating to aspects of the county's history continue to be welcomed by the Committee.

The Committee is now also responsible for the SLHA's annual journal, *Lincolnshire History & Archaeology*, edited by Dave Start. Efforts continue to be made to 'catch up'. We aim to produce two volumes annually over the next few years until the publication year of the journal aligns with its actual year of production. Thanks are due particularly to Dave Start for his work editing the journal, together with associate editors Naomi Field and Martin Watkinson, and Heather Hughes, who is editing a themed issue of the journal. Thanks should also be recorded to Ros Beevers for her work preparing the journal for publication.

We are always interested in discussing any ideas regarding potential articles for inclusion in the journal. Please contact Dave Start via Jews' Court, or info@slha.org.uk.

Finally, I'd like to thank my fellow committee members for their important contribution to the work of the committee.

Andrew Walker

Chair of the History of Lincolnshire Committee

Treasurer's Report

The Society showed a loss for the year of £8,417. Income from subscriptions was £2,757 (13%) less than the previous year, and the Bookshop surplus was also down by £1,917 (9.5%).

Additionally, income from events was considerably less than the previous year.

This decrease was offset by an increase in donations, largely from a £5,500 bequest and a £4,500 grant.

The History of Lincolnshire new publication contributed an additional £2,000.

Whilst general administration costs remained very similar to the previous year, there was additional expenditure of £8,500 on updating the website

Chris Hewis ACMA, Society Treasurer

Events & Activities

The Society continues to develop a diverse programme of events in addition to the Conferences and talks and Church visits organised by the teams.

The Jubilee Exhibition has continued its journey to venues around the county moving from Caistor to Boston Guildhall and Brigg Heritage Centre. Supporting events including talks and musical folklore events have accompanied the exhibition which has provided an excellent opportunity for promoting the Society.

This year has seen the introduction of a series of successful and well-attended afternoon talks at Lincoln Central Library, including diverse titles such as *ParkLife: Lincoln, Boutham Park and Temple Gardens*, *Digging Lincoln*, *Investigating Medieval Churches and Bygone Lincoln*, a tour in pictures. These talks have helped the Society engage with new audiences. Presentations by Zoom have included a variety of topics, for instance *The Definitive Magna Carta*, *The Siege of Crowland*, *Music in the Luttrell Psalter*, *Richard Barnard*, *Dogdyke Pumping Station*, and *Louth Museum*.

On a very hot day in June, we held a well-attended conference at Bishop Grosseteste University on the *Making of the Lincolnshire Landscape*, with a range of excellent speakers.

The practical craft sessions inspired by historical themes have included, *Roman Designs*, *Victorian Christmas*, *Flowers and Folklore and Medieval Medley*, some wonderful and creative artwork was created by attendees.

Louth and Locality, a full-day event held in Louth Methodist Church offered the chance for the Society to engage with local people and attendees to learn about the history and heritage of this lovely town.

The popular *Behind the Scenes Tour* to the Museum of Lincolnshire Life was again well attended as was the Guided Tour of the Usher Gallery and Art-store. A visit to the Tennyson Collection provided an excellent opportunity to access this unique collection.

Thank you to all those to all those who helped with and supported events and activities throughout the year.

Kathy Holland, Heritage Engagement Officer



An SLHA 'Behind the Scenes' visit to the Museum of Lincolnshire Life.

Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology						
Statement of Financial Activity for the Period Ended 31 March 2025						
		Actual			Total	Annual
		£	£	£	2023/24	Budget
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOME						
Subscriptions				18,427	21,182	21,000
Donations & Grants				12,893	423	1,000
Gift Aid Refunds				0	0	3,000
Room Hire				99	297	500
Bricks Website				25	0	
Events	AGM				0	
	Local History Day		467			
	Archaeology Day		1,527		2,609	
	Industrial Archaeology Day		931		1,804	
	Churches Conference		1,051		1,416	
	BALH Joint Conference		778			
	Jubilee Conference and Events		3,012			
	Other Visits and Lectures		2,264			
	Online Lectures		764			
	Mid Week Lectures & Sunday Specials		2,505	13,298	7,023	12,000
Exhibitions and Displays				0	0	100
Sleaford History Group Meetings				0	0	0
Publications	Royalties		303		427	250
	Bookshop Surplus		18,301		20,219	20,000
	Postal Sales – Amazon			18,604		
History of Lincolnshire Net Income				22,023	192	1,500
COIF Bank Interest				5,149	4,863	2,500
Skipton Building Society Interest				1,241	1,030	1,000
Advertising					0	0
Miscellaneous				0	(8)	50
				91,759	61,477	62,900
EXPENDITURE						
Publications	Lincs Past & Present		4,364		2,928	3,000
	Annual Journal		5,810	10,174	4,532	4,500
History of Lincolnshire Publications	Publishing Costs		20,959		980	10,000
	Royalties			20,959		
Events	Exhibitions and Displays		0			
	AGM				8	
	Mid Week Lectures & Sunday Specials		467		2,106	
	Churches Conference		818		1,982	
	Local History Day		0		991	
	Archaeology Day		268			
	BALH Joint Conference		2,523			
	Jubilee Conference and Events		5,297			
	Industrial Archaeology Day		794			
	Online Lectures		50			
	Other Visits and Lectures		1,204	11,420	2,736	8,000
Sleaford History Group Meetings				0	0	0
Speakers				0	0	0
Salaries				15,917	13,258	14,500
Training/Conferences				0	0	0
Travel & Subsistence						0
Office Expenses	Post & Carriage		11,367		12,503	14,000
	Rates		274		276	300
	Water		269		199	220
	Telephone		811		574	650
	Stationery		2,185		1,845	1,500
	Office Equipment		2,223		1,818	2,000
	Repairs & Renewals		6,453		6,286	10,000
	R & M - Bardney Abbey		0		240	1,000
	Website		8,532		85	5,000
	I.T.		2,078		3,644	1,900
	Alarm System		876		1,370	1,650
	Heat, Light & Power		2,574	37,644	3,100	3,200
Subscriptions				75	348	450
Advertising				399	0	0
Accounting & Audit				330	275	350
Legal Fees				0	0	0
Bank Charges				180	216	250

Awards & Grants			0	216	250
Insurance			2,842	3,119	3,200
Depreciation			0	0	0
Miscellaneous			392	352	200
			100,332	65,987	86,120
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)			(8,573)	(4,510)	(23,220)

Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology						
Statement of Financial Activity for the Period Ended 31 March 2025						Total
		Actual				2023/4
		£	£	£	£	£
Membership Services		Income	Expenditure			
Subscriptions		18,472	(45)	18,427		21,184
Gift Aid Refunds		0		0		0
Donations & Grants		12,893		12,893		423
Room Hire		99		99		297
Bricks Website		25		25		0
Sleaford History Group Meetings		0	0	0		0
Lincs Past & Present			(4,364)	(4,364)		(2,928)
Annual Journal			(5,810)	(5,810)		(4,532)
AGM			0	0		(8)
		31,489	(10,219)	21,270		14,436
Administration						
Exhibitions and Displays		0		0		0
Interest		5,149		5,149		4,863
Royalties		303		303		427
Advertising		0	(399)	(399)		0
Salaries			(15,917)	(15,917)		(13,258)
Training/Conferences			0	0		0
Office Expenses	Post & Carriage	0	(11,367)	(11,367)		(12,503)
	Rates		(274)	(274)		(276)
	Telephone	0	(811)	(811)		(574)
	Stationery		(2,185)	(2,185)		(1,845)
	Office Equipment		(2,223)	(2,223)		(1,818)
	Repairs & Renewals	0	(6,453)	(6,453)		(6,287)
	R & M - Bardney Abbey		0	0		(240)
	Website		(8,532)	(8,532)		(85)
	Bricks Website	25		25		0
	I.T.		(2,078)	(2,078)		(3,644)
	Heat, Light & Power		(2,574)	(2,574)		(3,100)
	Water		(269)	(269)		(199)
	Alarms		(876)	(876)		(1,370)
Subscriptions		0	(75)	(75)		(348)
Accounting & Audit		0	(330)	(330)		(275)
Legal Fees			0	0		0
Bank Charges			(180)	(180)		(216)
Awards & Grants			0	0		(216)
Insurance			(2,842)	(2,842)		(3,119)
Depreciation			0	0		0
Miscellaneous		0	(392)	(392)		(360)
		5,477	(57,779)	(52,302)		(44,443)
Lincolnshire Heritage Ltd						
Bookshop Surplus		18,444	(143)	18,301		20,219
		18,444	(143)	18,301		20,219
Events						
	Mid Week Lectures & Sunday Specials	2,505	(467)	2,037		1,534
	Churches Conference	1,051	(818)	233		426
	Local History Day	467		467		
	Archaeology Day	1,527	(268)	1,259		503
	BALH Joint Conference	778	(2,523)	(1,745)		
	Jubilee Conference and Events	3,012	(5,297)	(2,284)		
	Industrial Archaeology Day	931	(794)	138		(178)
	Online Lectures	764	50	814		
	Other Visits and Lectures	2264	(1,204)	1,059		2,751
		13,298	(11,320)	1,978		5,036
History of Lincolnshire						
	Sale of Publications	22,023		22,023		192
	Cost of Sales		0	0		0
	Interest	1,241		1,241		1,030
	Publishing Costs		(20,959)	(20,959)		(980)
		23,264	(20,959)	2,305		242
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)				(8,448)	(8,448)	(4,510)

Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology					
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025					
	This Year			Last Year	
	£	£		£	£
Fixed Assets					
Office Equipment					
Cost @ 1/4/2024	21,439			21,439	
Additions	0			0	
	21,439			21,439	
Buildings					
Cost @ 1/4/2024	254,186			4,186	
Additions	0			250,000	
	254,186			254,186	
Depreciation					
Allowed @ 1/4/2024	25,625			25,625	
Charge for period	0			0	
	25,625			25,625	
Opening Net Book Value @ 1/4/2024	250,000			0	
Closing Net Book Value @ 31/3/2025		250,000			250,000
Current Assets					
COIF Account	107,856			102,765	
CAF Current Account	37,146			30,698	
Nat West Current Account (HOL)	3,305			4,219	
Skipton Building Society (HOL)	30,824			39,583	
PayPal (HOL)	1,975			1,507	
Petty Cash	0			5	
PayPal	0			0	
Sleaford History Group Current Account	859			859	
Sleaford History Group Petty Cash	10			10	
HOL Stocks	9,367			81	
Prepayments	1,806			2,077	
Debtors	0	193,147		20,580	202,384
Current Liabilities					
Creditors					
Receipts in Advance	0			639	
Sundry Creditors	1,584	1,584		1,608	2,247
Net Assets		441,564			450,137
Represented by:					
SLHA Accumulated Fund brought forward		99,123			107,933
Prior Year Adjustment		0			0
Transferred to Earmarked Reserves		(800)			(4,300)
Earmarked Reserves					
EMIAC		0			0
Brian Dawson Legacy		3,348			3,348
Bricks Website		8,560			8,560
History of Lincolnshire Committee		45,390			44,590
Revaluation Reserve		250,000			250,000
Buildings Reserve		34,516			34,516
Winding Up Reserve		10,000			10,000
Profit & Loss Account					
SLHA General Surplus/(Deficit) for year		(8,573)			(4,510)
Accumulated Fund carried forward		441,564			450,137

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE SOCIETY FOR
LINCOLNSHIRE HISTROY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

I, *Faith Searston*, report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2025, set out in the following pages.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that the audit requirement of Section 144 of the Charities Act 2022 (the Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Act), and to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145 (5) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking of 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, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Act
- (ii) To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

Have not been met or

- (iii) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

For and on behalf of Calcul8 Limited, 57 High Street, Saxilby, Lincoln, LN1 2HA

Faith Searston

19th December 2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

On accounts for the year ended

31/03/2025 Charity no (if any) 1182569

Set out on pages

1-4 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.YYY.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature] Date: 19/12/2025

Name: FAITH SEARSTON

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS, CIMA ADV DIP MA

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

No material matters of concern.

Materiality level set at 1% of total revenues or expenses

Total revenues - £917.00

Total expenses - £1,001.00

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

NOTES ON FINDINGS

Immaterial errors:

- Miscellaneous cost of expenses reimbursement (Kathy), October 2025 posted to the Brian Dawson Legacy fund as apposed to the miscellaneous costs column – records/spreadsheet amended for this.
- Lincoln Heritage Bookshop discrepancy between the Profit and Loss account and Trustee report £143.00.

Other items to note:

- No audit exemption report included with the accounts.
- The trustees did not carry out a review of the charity's internal controls in the year

THE SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

England & Wales - Charity number 1182569

Accounts



SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

2024 ANNUAL REPORT



Patron : Ursula Lidbetter
President : Naomi Field
Chair : Andrew Walker
Vice Chairs : Mike Daly &
Heather Hughes

Treasurer : Chris Hewis
Secretary : Kathy Holland
Charity Number : 1182569
Total Membership : 609

Chair's Report

As you will see from the reports of the various separate sections of the Society, it has been another busy year. For much of 2024 (since March) we have been celebrating our golden jubilee anniversary – and we will continue to do so into the early months of 2025. Thanks to all who attended and contributed to our special conference marking our first 50 years as SLHA in April at Bishop Grosseteste University. It was a really stimulating event in which I think many participants learnt much about all aspects of the Society, reflecting upon what has already been achieved and giving some consideration as well to the future.

The Society seeks to cover all parts of the historic county and, with that in mind, our Golden Jubilee Exhibition, which has been assembled by representatives of the various groups within the Society, has been touring Lincolnshire. After a period at Lincoln Museum, where it was officially launched, the exhibition has moved on to Caistor Arts and Heritage Centre, where several associated activities were also organised. The exhibition is now based at Boston Guildhall, where, again, a range of related events have been organised. If you haven't already seen this, please do visit the exhibition if you can. Thanks are due to the Lincoln Record Society for a generous grant to help with the financing of this important element of the golden jubilee activities.

Another aspect of the celebrations was the publication in the summer of a bumper edition of Lincolnshire Past & Present, with several articles focussing upon the past work of the Society. Thanks to Ros Beevers for her editing work on this. One noteworthy part of the 50th anniversary celebrations is the number of still-active members of the Society who have vivid memories of their involvement with the SLHA at its launch, or soon afterwards. Having joined the Society at the time of its silver jubilee, I still feel like a newcomer.

Work on the Bardney Abbey site continues. During the year, attention has been paid to some aspects of signage, vegetation management and the wooden monk, who greets visitors to the site, has been given a much-deserved smart new coat of wood preservative. Still much work remains to be done here.

The major project for the Society in the months ahead, though, concerns our headquarters, Jews' Court, where major structural work is required at the front of the building, and the shed, which has given such sterling service as the store for the second-hand books, has finally come to the end of its life. Over the year ahead, we need to be developing a new strategic plan, involving as many members as possible. We'll be saying more about this in the months ahead. This is indeed an appropriate task to undertake as we end our first fifty years and look forward to the beginning of the Society's next half century.

I'd like to finish by thanking all of the Society's volunteers who contribute so much to the successful operation of the Society. My thanks as well to Kathy Holland for her tremendous work on the Society's behalf. If you would like to become more involved with any of the Society's work, please don't hesitate to contact Kathy in the first instance, using the address at the end of this Annual Report.

Andrew Walker, Chair of the Society

Property

Cyclical maintenance continues to be carried out at Jews' Court including, boiler maintenance, annual asbestos check, PAT Testing, intruder and fire alarm servicing. The Five Yearly Fixed Wiring Test was carried out in Jews' Court in July and remedial repairs carried out. Weekly/ monthly checks and monitoring are carried out at approved intervals to the fire alarm, emergency lighting, the Intruder Alarm System, smoke and heat detection and fire extinguishers. Training of new volunteers in Fire Safety Awareness has been completed and will continue to be carried out in-house as required.

Following structural investigation at Jews' Court by Alan Wright Consulting it has become clear that some remedial work needs to be carried out. The front wall of the building now needs to be stabilised by 'tying' it into the structure on the first floor. The ceilings to the bookshop require replacement and these works will require parts of the building to be closed for several weeks. Listed Building Consent will have to be obtained for these works. It is anticipated that the work will be carried out in 2025. Members of the Property Team have participated in meetings and site visits regarding the future of the Bardney Abbey site which is in the care of the Society. Following the fall of a section of the ceiling in the Asbestos clad external bookstore in the garden, the future of this building is now in question. A firm decision on this structure has yet to be made, however the City Council has given approval for the structure to be demolished without the need for Planning Permission or Listed Building Consent. Maintenance of the gardens at Jews' Court has continued with grateful thanks to Dave Mellows.

Colin Holland for the Property Team

Industrial Archaeology

The annual Industrial Archaeology Conference, Lincoln's Engineering Heritage was held at Lincoln College. The six presentations covered notable elements of this heritage with the final speaker emphasising the importance and pressing need to establish an archive for Lincolnshire's Industrial Heritage. The talk From Elsham with Love, held in person on 15th February 2023 described the construction and commissioning processes of Anglian Water's new strategic new pipeline, currently threading its way from Elsham to Colchester.

Team members contributed to the SLHA Golden Jubilee Conference.

An in-person talk on Chemical Production at Flixborough covered the history of the site and the important chemicals produced there and particularly for Nylon production. It is 50 years since the devastating explosion at the site. The talk included poignant moments as our speaker recalled working on the site immediately before this disaster.

Fieldwork again included visits to the surviving buildings and other structures associated with the East Lincolnshire Line and "New Line" together with other nearby locations of industrial archaeological interest. Other field work included a visit to the Austen Fen Warehouse on the Louth Canal. This is a fine Georgian style building, probably dating from early in Queen Victoria's reign.

The project to celebrate Lincolnshire's Bricks and Brickmakers in conjunction with Alford Manor House continues to make

progress. Team members have visited sites throughout the county recording the variety of local bricks they encounter. Last year's report recorded the team's sadness at the death of Eric Newton. The first of Eric's booklets, *A History of Water Supply in Lincolnshire* has recently been published. This fitting tribute to Eric covers Grantham's water supply.

Stephen Betteridge, Chair of the Industrial Archaeology Team

Local History

The Local History Team sacrificed its 2024 conference to make room for the SLHA Golden Jubilee celebration at Bishop Grosseteste where three members of the team spoke. We are presently planning our 2025 conference which is likely to be on the theme of Lincolnshire explorers and innovators.

We hosted the January Sunday Special at which the 2023 Flora Murray Award was presented to the RAF Wings to the Past Project and a Certificate of Excellence went to Louth Museum for their exhibition of Louth-made clocks. As well as our scheduled Zoom and in person talks, Jean Howard and Chris Hewis arranged events for Heritage Open Days.

Our churches group had a busy year with a well-attended and received conference in Tattershall village hall followed by a visit to the parish church of Holy Trinity. Church visits open to all members took place in Great Limber and Brocklesby in July and Scampton and Cammeringham in August. Further trips of this sort are being planned. Ken Redmore followed his Zoom talk on Burringham church with an open day there in September.

As ever my thanks go to Caroline Crane for her efficiency as Minutes Secretary and to Jean Howard for leading the Churches Group. New recruits to the team are welcome!

Mark Acton, Chairman of the Local History Team

Building Recording Group (RUBL)

This has been a busy year for RUBL with two new projects. We surveyed The Round House at Langton-by-Spilsby. This is a Cottage Orné built in the early nineteenth century. This stimulated the idea of looking at all of the Cottages Ornés in the county. We visited the King's School Grantham to look at its medieval roof which we plan to survey. Work continues at South Willingham for the RUBL element of The Lincolnshire Hearth Tax volume which will be published by the Lincoln Record Society and the British Records Society. The Kirkstead and Stixwold projects are coming to a conclusion. These are part of our contribution to the Sacred Landscapes of the Witham Valley project based at the University of Wales Lampeter. Members of RUBL actively contribute to the Bardney Abbey working party. RUBL members continue to play a leading role in the Lincoln Local List project. The Lincoln Local List of some 400 heritage assets is scheduled for adoption by the City Council later in 2024. Discussions are taking place with Lincolnshire County Council on a project to better understand mud and stud buildings. There have been regular Zoom meetings throughout the year.

Ken Hollamby, Secretary for David Stocker, Chairman

SLHA Study Tour to Anglesey & North Wales

On this year's the Study Tour in July we visited Anglesey and North Wales. There were thirty-one on the trip. On the journey to Bangor University, where we stayed, we visited the RAF Museum at Cosford. Our first day was a tour of prehistoric sites on Anglesey lead by Francis Lynch who had spoken to the group the evening before.

We started day two at Penmon Priory and spent the rest of the morning at Beaumaris. In the afternoon we visited Plas Newydd which overlooks the Menai Straits. There was time when we got back for a wet walk round Bangor. On day three we took a morning trip on the narrow gauge Welsh Highland Railway from Porthmadog. This was followed by an afternoon in Caernarfon. On the journey back to Lincoln we visited Chirk Castle. Plans are well advanced for a Study Tour to the Isle of Wight in 2025.

Ken Hollamby

Lincolnshire Heritage Ltd (Booksales)

The Directors of Lincolnshire Heritage remain the same. The bookshop continues to make regular sales and Lincolnshire Heritage transferred £20500 to the Society. High quality donations of books, both fact and fiction are still urgently needed to increase sales. Our December sales were far lower than usual due to the cancellation of Christmas Market, but our sales at the Heckington Show were our highest so far. We are open from Wednesday to Saturday. We have excellent volunteers, but we are very stretched and still need more so that we can open on more days and organise a bookstall at events.

The shop has been renamed 'Steep Hill Bookshop' and we have a new colourful hanging sign which is making people aware of us and bringing more customers in.

The North Room was also revamped with new shelving and the removal of the central unit, which allows the shelves to be seen more easily. The new shelving has meant that we are able to have far more books in the shop.

We have just published another book via KDP *A History of Water Supply in Lincolnshire – Grantham*, the first in a series. This method seems very successful as it means we do not have any significant upfront costs and just order as many as we require.

Nick & Eva Moore, Bookshop Managers

Trustees

The Trustees are having a busy 2024.

Our agenda has covered several important developments. A good example was the decision to begin work on a new website, which will allow us to build a highly effective and informative online presence. I'd like to thank all of those people involved in this important work.

Working closely with the Bookshop Managers on the rebranding of the bookshop, with a new name and sign, is already proving a great success, along with a refresh of the shelving. Our Bookshop volunteers are a very important part of the SLHA team; I always enjoy spending time catching up on new developments with them.

We are beginning work, alongside the Executive team, on a comprehensive Business Plan and strategy document, to provide us with a road map for the years ahead.

A notable challenge we are facing is that the buildings we occupy are continuing to age and deteriorate, requiring investment for the future. The Property Committee is working hard to ensure the development of a programme for this, with the support of the Trustees.

We regularly review Trustee skillsets and consider our training needs; this is essential if we are to provide the level of support to all in the Society that we strive to give.

We would welcome the opportunity to strengthen our scope of expertise with the addition of Trustees experienced in Law and Accountancy: please do get in touch if you can help in either field, and would like to join us, at stevestefaniuk@gmail.com

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow

Trustees for their continuing enthusiasm and support. Our meetings are stimulating and enjoyable across the wide spectrum of challenges and opportunities that come before us.

Steve Stefaniuk, Chair of the Trustees

Archaeology Team

The team again organised a range of events. Among the Wednesday talks were those concerned with the project at Crowland, which identified ritual use beginning as early as the late Neolithic period; preliminary findings along the Anglian Water pipeline crossing the county; and Viking coins of the East Midlands. Our 2023 conference, held at Navenby, was a joint meeting with the Council for British Archaeology branch, and had a special emphasis on the Portable Antiquities project across the East Midlands region. A further event, held at Scunthorpe Museum, focused on recent research in North Lincolnshire. Members of the team also made contributions to the Jubilee Conference in April.

It is notable how much archaeological work is taking place across the county, much of it linked to huge infrastructure developments. Regular items discussed by the Team included the Lincoln Greyfriars project, to which Team members have offered their expertise, and the ongoing research at Norton Disney. It was gratifying to hear Alice Roberts, interviewed on BBC Breakfast about the latest Digging for Britain series, select two Romano-British discoveries from Lincolnshire as the highlights of the year: the unsuspected settlement near to Waddington and the remarkable dodecahedron from Norton Disney, currently on display in Lincoln.

Michael. J. Jones, For the Archaeology Team

History of Lincolnshire Committee

The Committee continues to meet on a quarterly basis. In July 2024, the fourth book in the Studies of the History of Lincolnshire series was published – Professor Andrew Jackson's, *Rural England Through War and Peace: The Literary Work of Lincolnshire's Bernard Samuel Gilbert, 1882-1927*. The book is now available from Steep Hill Bookshop in both paperback and hardback editions. The Committee is overseeing the ongoing production of a number of other works ranging chronologically from prehistoric Lincolnshire to some aspects of the county's twentieth-century history. Proposals for monographs relating to aspects of the county's history continue to be welcomed by the Committee. SLHA's annual journal, *Lincolnshire History & Archaeology* is also within the purview of the Committee. It is pleasing to report that two issues have been published since the last annual report as attempts are made to 'catch up'. Thanks are due particularly to Dave Start for his work as journal editor. As part of the ongoing 'catch-up' strategy, over the next few years, alternate thematic volumes are being produced, co-ordinated by guest editors.

It is pleasing to note that, during the year, Martin Watkinson's article, 'Reflections on "Closed Parishes"', published in volume 53, was winner in the 'long article' category of the British Association for Local History Publication Awards 2024. Congratulations to Martin.

Should you have any ideas regarding potential articles for inclusion in the journal, please contact Dave Start, the editor.

Andrew Walker

Chair of the History of Lincolnshire Committee

Treasurer's Report

The Society showed a loss for the year of £4,510.

The 10% increase in subscriptions on the previous year was offset by reduced income and increased expenditure within the area of Membership Services.

Due to time constraints, I was unable to complete a gift aid claim in this financial year. I hope to finalise a claim this year covering two years, which is estimated to result in a total refund of £3,500.

There was also additional expenditure in this area of £4,500 for the Annual Journal.

Expenditure was increased on building repairs on the previous year, together with an increase in spend on Information Technology.

The IT expenditure increase was due to an ongoing update to the society's computer systems, which had fallen some way out-of-date, and becoming increasingly unreliable.

A reduction of the contribution from the Steep Hill Bookshop on the previous year was offset by an increased contribution from Events.

The increased activity within the events programme has not only increased our profile amongst members, but also been managed to show a surplus from the majority of events.

As the sole owner of Jews' Court, it was agreed to include this asset within the Balance Sheet. The property was independently valued at £250,000.

Chris Hewis ACMA, Society Treasurer

Events & Activities

As requested by members, the Society continues to develop a programme of diverse events and activities in addition to the Conferences and talks organised by the teams. These have included visits to the Usher Gallery and Art-store, a guided walk around historic Caistor, a 'behind the scenes' visit to Lincoln Museum, a visit to the North Lincolnshire Museum in Scunthorpe, and Heritage activities for families.

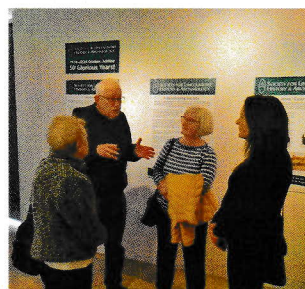
The Society has introduced a series of Craft sessions inspired by historic and archaeological themes, which are proving popular, for example, 'Celtic Crafts' and 'Victorian Christmas'. The programme of talks by Zoom has included a variety of topics for example, 'Bateman's Brewery' and 'Halls Barton Ropery at Barton on Humber'.

Additional events have been organised to support the Golden Jubilee exhibition including a number of talks, for example 'Historic Myth-busting', 'Lincolnshire Tokens' and 'Roman Lincoln' in addition to two well attended events exploring the history and folklore of Lincolnshire through Music, Stories and Song.

The Society has supported the Lincoln History Festival and Heritage Open Days by arranging and hosting a number of events and activities.

Thank you to all those to all those who helped with and supported the events and activities throughout the year.

Kathy Holland



The Golden Jubilee Exhibition at Lincoln Museum.

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

REGISTERED CHARITY : 1182569

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTROY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

I, *Faith Searston*, report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2024, set out in the following pages.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that the audit requirement of Section 144 of the Charities Act 2022 (the Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Act), and to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145 (5) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking of 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, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Act
- (ii) To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

Have not been met or

- (iii) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

For and on behalf of **Calcul8 Limited**, 57 High Street, Saxilby, Lincoln, LN1 2HA

Faith Searston

12th December 2024



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

On accounts for the year ended

31/03/2024 Charity no (if any) 1182569

Set out on pages

1-4 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature] Date: 12/12/2024

Name: FAITH SEARSTON

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS, CIMA ADV DIP MA

(if any):

Address:

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

No material matters of concern.

Materiality level set at 1% of total revenues or expenses

Total revenues - £615.00
Total expenses - £660.00

Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology						
Statement of Financial Activity for the Period Ended 31 March 2024						
		Actual			Total	Annual
		£	£	£	2022/23	Budget
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOME						
Subscriptions				21,184	19,170	19,000
Donations & Grants				423	4,135	1,000
Gift Aid Refunds				0	1,579	1,700
Room Hire				297	110	500
Events	AGM		0			
	Family Activities		307			
	Archaeology Day		2,609			
	St Mary's Guildall 23/5/23		144			
	St Vedast's Visit 15/5/23		83			
	On line Lectures		577			
	Churches Conference 22/4/23		1,416			
	Mrs Smith's Cottage 20/6/23		148			
	Hidden Treasures Store Tours		395			
	Sleaford Heritage Day 10/6/23		938			
	St Wulfram's Visit		127			
	Re-Imagining Lincolnshire - 20/5/23		1,287			
	Crowland Abbey		127			
	Usher Tour		314			
	North Lincs Museum		184			
	Burringham Churches		125			
	Midwinter Festivities		282			
	Industrial Archaeology Day		1,804	10,866	6,516	7,000
Mid Week Lectures & Sunday Specials				1,986	742	500
Exhibitions and Displays				0	0	100
Buildings Recording Group				0	0	
Sleaford History Group Meetings				0	0	0
Publications	Royalties		427		371	250
	Bookshop Surplus		20,219		23,131	20,000
	Postal Sales – Amazon			20,646		
History of Lincolnshire Net Income				192	1,760	1,500
COIF Bank Interest				4,863	1,772	1,500
Skipton Building Society Interest				1,030	215	220
Advertising					0	0
Miscellaneous				(8)	7,270	50
				61,477	66,771	53,320
EXPENDITURE						
Publications	Lincs Past & Present		2,928		2,795	3,000
	Annual Journal		4,532	7,460	239	4,500
History of Lincolnshire Publications	Publishing Costs		980			750
	Royalties			980	923	
Events	Past & Present Exhibition		0			
	AGM		8			
	Family Activities					
	Archaeology Day		2,106			
	SLHA Christmas Party					
	St Mary's Guildall 23/5/23		0			
	St Vedast's Visit 15/5/23		80			
	On line Lectures					
	Industrial Archaeology Day		1,982			
	Churches Conference 22/4/23		991			
	Mrs Smith's Cottage 20/6/23		110			
	Hidden Treasures Store Tour 4/4/23		289			
	Sleaford Heritage Day 10/6/23		794			
	Churches Guided Visit		81			
	Crowland Abbey		113			
	Midwinter Festivities		96			
	Re-Imagining Lincolnshire - 20/5/23		723	7,371	4,501	5,000
Mid Week Lectures				452	222	200
Exhibitions and Displays				0	0	250
Buildings Recording Group				0	0	0
Sleaford History Group Meetings				0	0	0
Speakers				0	0	0

Salaries			13,257		13,907		14,500
Training/Conferences			0		0		0
Travel & Subsistence							0
Office Expenses	Post & Carriage		12,503		13,714		14,000
	Rates		276		525		550
	Water		199		211		220
	Telephone		574		619		650
	Stationery		1,845		1,404		1,500
	Office Equipment		1,818		1,852		2,000
	Repairs & Renewals		6,286		3,154		3,000
	R & M - Bardney Abbey		240		0		1,000
	Website		85		35		50
	I.T.		3,644		204		500
	Alarm System		1,370		1,599		1,650
	Heat, Light & Power		3,100		2,075		2,300
			31,940				
Subscriptions			348		429		450
Advertising			0		0		0
Accounting & Audit			275		275		350
Legal Fees			0		0		0
Bank Charges			216		220		250
Awards & Grants			216		200		250
Insurance			3,119		2,048		2,200
Depreciation			0		0		0
Miscellaneous			352		7,403		200
			65,987		58,554		59,320
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)			(4,510)		8,217		(6,000)

Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology						
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024						
	This Year			Last Year		
	£	£		£	£	
Fixed Assets						
Office Equipment						
Cost @ 1/4/2023	21,439			21,439		
Additions	0			0		
	21,439			21,439		
Buildings						
Cost @ 1/4/2023	4,186			4,186		
Additions	250,000			0		
	254,186			4,186		
Depreciation						
Allowed @ 1/4/2023	25,625			25,625		
Charge for period	0			0		
	25,625			25,625		
Opening Net Book Value @ 1/4/2023	0			0		
Closing Net Book Value @ 31/3/2024		250,000			0	
Current Assets						
COIF Account	102,765			98,001		
CAF Current Account	30,698			38,082		
Nat West Current Account (HOL)	4,219			4,219		
Skipton Building Society (HOL)	39,583			38,553		
PayPal (HOL)	1,507			1,496		
Petty Cash	5			5		
PayPal	0			0		
Sleaford History Group Current Account	859			859		
Sleaford History Group Petty Cash	10			10		
HOL Stocks	81			81		
Prepayments	2,077			1,763		
Debtors	20,580	202,384		24,256	207,325	
Current Liabilities						
Creditors						
Receipts in Advance	639			1,372		
Sundry Creditors	1,608	2,247		1,308	2,680	
Net Assets		450,137			204,645	
Represented by:						
SLHA Accumulated Fund brought forward		107,933			148,063	
Prior Year Adjustment		0			(4,060)	
Transferred to Earmarked Reserves		(4,300)			(44,290)	
Earmarked Reserves						
EMIAC		0			0	
Brian Dawson Legacy		3,348			3,348	
Bricks Website		8,560			8,560	
History of Lincolnshire Committee		44,590			40,290	
Buildings Reserve		34,516			34,516	
Revaluation Reserve		250,000			0	
Winding Up Reserve		10,000			10,000	
Profit & Loss Account						
SLHA General Surplus/(Deficit) for year		(4,510)			8,218	
Accumulated Fund carried forward		450,137			204,645	

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

DIRECTION 5

Ask the trustees if they carried out a review of the charity's internal financial control in the year report

Chris Hewis – No financial reviews were made in the year, but these will be reviewed imminently.

THE SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

England & Wales - Charity number 1182569

Accounts

The Society for Lincolnshire History and Archaeology

Registered Charity: 1182569

Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2023

Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology

Statement of Financial Activity for the Period Ended 31 March 2023

					Total
					2021/22
Actual					£
		£	£	£	£
		Income	Expenditure		
Membership Services					
Subscriptions		19,242	(72)	19,170	16,609
Gift Aid Refunds		1,579		1,579	2,441
Donations & Grants		4,135		4,135	1,409
Room Hire		110		110	0
Sleaford History Group Meetings		0	0	0	0
Lincs Past & Present			(2,795)	(2,795)	(2,656)
Annual Journal			(239)	(239)	(9)
AGM		91	(21)	70	0
Volunteers Christmas Party			0	0	0
Christmas Party		0	0	0	0
Mid Week Lectures & Sunday Specials		742	(222)	520	70
Buildings Recording Group		0	0	0	0
Speakers			0	0	0
		25,900	(3,350)	22,550	17,865
Administration					
Exhibitions and Displays		0		0	0
Interest		1,772		1,772	44
Royalties		371		371	223
Advertising		0	0	0	0
Salaries			(13,907)	(13,907)	(13,560)
Training/Conferences			0	0	0
Office Expenses	Post & Carriage	11	(13,725)	(13,714)	(9,016)
	Rates		(525)	(525)	(268)
	Telephone	0	(619)	(619)	(569)
	Stationery		(1,404)	(1,404)	(857)
	Office Equipment		(1,852)	(1,852)	(1,212)
	Repairs & Renewals		(3,154)	(3,154)	(3,159)
	R & M - Bardney Abbey		0	0	0
	Website		(35)	(35)	(35)
	I.T.		(204)	(204)	(1,026)
	Heat, Light & Power		(2,075)	(2,075)	(2,687)
	Water		(211)	(211)	0
	Alarms		(1,599)	(1,599)	(726)
Subscriptions		0	(429)	(429)	(445)
Accounting & Audit		0	(275)	(275)	(300)
Legal Fees			0	0	0
Bank Charges			(220)	(220)	(161)
Awards & Grants			(200)	(200)	(300)
Insurance			(2,048)	(2,048)	(2,446)
Depreciation			0	0	(3,492)
Miscellaneous		7,270	(7,403)	(134)	(346)
		9,424	(49,884)	(40,459)	(40,338)
Lincolnshire Heritage Ltd					
Bookshop Surplus		23,194	(63)	23,131	11,102
		23,194	(63)	23,131	11,102
Events					
Family Activity Days		38	0	38	134
Heckington Show				0	0
Garden Party		208	(152)	55	0
Hidden Treasures Store Tour		148	(90)	58	0
Legbourne Churches Visit		212	(149)	63	0
Churches Conference April 23		0	0	0	0
Archaeology Day		1,861	(1,357)	505	0
Industrial Archaeology Day		1,033	(780)	253	0
Online Lectures		465	0	465	1,130
Barton on Humber Visit		177	(113)	64	0
St Wulfram's Visit		101	(95)	6	0
Lincoln Riots Trail		69		69	0
Stonebow & Posterngate Visit		46		46	0
Re-Imagining Lincolnshire May 23		0	0	0	0
Local History Day March 2022		2,068	(1,744)	324	(16)
		6,425	(4,480)	1,946	1,248
History of Lincolnshire					
Sale of Publications		1,760		1,760	0
Cost of Sales			(119)	(119)	114
Interest		215		215	19
Publishing Costs			(804)	(804)	(189)
		1,974	(923)	1,052	(56)
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)				8,219	(10,179)

Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	This Year		Last Year	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Office Equipment				
Cost @ 1/4/2022	21,439		21,439	
Additions	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>	
	21,439		21,439	
Buildings				
Cost @ 1/4/2022	4,186		4,186	
Additions	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>	
	4,186		4,186	
Depreciation				
Allowed @ 1/4/2022	25,625		22,133	
Charge for period	<u>0</u>		<u>3,492</u>	
	25,625		25,625	
Opening Net Book Value @ 1/4/2022	0		3,492	
Closing Net Book Value @ 31/3/2023		0		0
Current Assets				
Lincs Heritage Loan	0		0	
COIF Account	98,001		96,294	
CAF Current Account	38,082		37,741	
Nat West Current Account (HOL)	4,219		4,219	
Skipton Building Society (HOL)	38,553		38,338	
PayPal (HOL)	1,496		0	
Petty Cash	5		71	
PayPal	0		0	
Sleaford History Group Current Account	859		859	
Sleaford History Group Petty Cash	10		10	
HOL Stocks	81		200	
Prepayments	1,763		1,502	
Debtors	<u>24,258</u>	207,325	<u>17,348</u>	196,582
Current Liabilities				
Creditors				
Receipts in Advance	1,372		1,308	
Sundry Creditors	<u>1,308</u>	2,680	<u>3,347</u>	4,655
Net Assets		<u>204,646</u>		<u>191,927</u>
Represented by:				
SLHA Accumulated Fund brought forward		148,063		162,245
Prior Year Adjustment		(4,060)		0
Transferred to Earmarked Reserves		(48,267)		(4,000)
Earmarked Reserves				
EMAC		0		0
Brian Dawson Legacy		3,348		3,348
Bricks Website		8,560		0
History of Lincolnshire Committee		44,267		0
Buildings Reserve		34,516		30,516
Winding Up Reserve		10,000		10,000
Profit & Loss Account				
SLHA General Surplus/(Deficit) for year		8,219		(10,182)
Accumulated Fund carried forward		<u>204,646</u>		<u>191,927</u>

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTROY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

I, *Faith Searston*, report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2023, set out in the following pages.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that the audit requirement of Section 144 of the Charities Act 2022 (the Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Act), and to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145 (5) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking of 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, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Act
- (ii) To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

Have not been met or

- (iii) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

For and on behalf of Calcul8 Limited, 57 High Street, Saxilby, Lincoln, LN1 2HA

Faith Searston

29th September 2023



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

On accounts for the year ended

31/03/2023

Charity no (if any)

1182569

Set out on pages

1-4

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

FJS

Date:

29/9/23

Name:

FAITH SEARSTON

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS, CIMA ADV DIP MA

(if any):

Address:

57 HIGH STREET, SAXILBY, LINCOLN, LN1 2HA

Section B

Disclosure

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

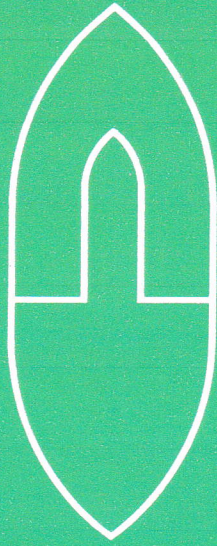
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

No material matters of concern.

Materiality level set at 1% of total revenues or expenses

Total revenues - £667.00

Total expenses - £585.00



SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



Patron : Ursula Lidbetter
President : Naomi Field
Chair : Andrew Walker
Vice Chairman : Mike Daly

Treasurer : Chris Hewis
Secretary : Kathy Holland
Charity Number : 1182569
Total Membership : 611

Chair's Report

Firstly, I'd like to thank my predecessor, Ian George, for all his work chairing the Society, especially in the challenging days of the Covid epidemic and its immediate aftermath. The Society is now operating on a more 'normal' footing, post-Covid. As the accounts from the various SLHA groups within this report indicate, a host of face-to-face activities have taken place through the year, though some innovations introduced during the Covid period have continued, notably the programme of Zoom talks, for which there remains an appetite, particularly in the winter. During the year we have continued to work on enhancing the Society's infrastructure. In the early part of 2023-24 we hope to have improved the Society's IT provision significantly, and we are in discussions with a web developer regarding the replacement of our current website, which has served us well, but now requires technical updating. Particular thanks are due to Steve Stefaniuk for his work leading this initiative. Thanks to everyone who completed the Society's membership survey. We are working on an action plan linked to this, which we will share with members. Many of the 90+ responses were very positive. However, there were points raised suggesting aspects of our work that needed further attention and improvement, including regular production of the Society's journal. We are working on these matters.

In last year's report, Ian mentioned the need to make progress with Bardney Abbey, a site for which we have responsibility. In May, a group of us undertook an assessment visit. Subsequently, a Bardney Abbey Working Party has been formed which, in the first instance, will develop a vision for the site and explore ways of implementing it, drawing upon the help of other bodies as appropriate. I hope that more progress on this can be reported during the forthcoming year.

The year 2024 will be a significant one for the SLHA, marking 50 years since its founding, (though of course its predecessor organisations themselves have longer histories). We will be organising a range of Golden Jubilee activities, including a conference on Saturday 20 April 2024, and an exhibition. We are keen to involve as many of our members as possible in these activities.

The following reports provide details of the various groups within the society. If you'd like to become more involved with any of these, please do contact Kathy Holland. I'd like to finish by thanking all members for their ongoing commitment to the SLHA, especially our many volunteers, and to Kathy in particular for her tremendous work supporting all of the Society's activities – and for helping me get to grips with chairing this wonderful organisation.

Andrew Walker, Chair of the Society

Property

Cyclical maintenance continues to be carried out at Jews' Court including, boiler maintenance, annual asbestos check, PAT Testing, radon monitoring, plus intruder and fire alarm servicing. Weekly/monthly checks and monitoring are carried out at approved intervals to the fire alarm call

points, emergency lighting, the Intruder Alarm system and smoke and heat detection.

Further to the Fire Risk Assessment Report produced in 2022, fire stopping work has been carried out including the installation of a new smoke detector and emergency light in the attic. Training of new volunteers in Fire Safety Awareness has been completed and will continue to be carried out in-house as required.

Plans are in place for monitoring of the stone façade to the front of the building which is due to be carried out shortly. Discussions have taken place regarding the appointment of a Conservation Care Structural Engineer to carry out an assessment of Jews' Court.

Members of the Property Team participated in the site visit and discussions regarding the future of the Bardney Abbey site which is in the care of the Society.

Maintenance of the gardens at Jews' Court has continued with grateful thanks to Dave Mellows.

Colin Holland for the Property Team

Industrial Archaeology

The annual Industrial Archaeology Conference Lincolnshire Railways was held in Grantham. The five talks successfully described examples of the range of applications for railways that once existed, and to some extent still apply in the County.

The talk *The Night of 24th October 1942; The Last Air Raid on Grantham* was held in person on 15th February 2023 and described this raid and what happened to the speaker and his family together with the reasons for the Raid and those who conducted it. An in-person talk on Associated British Ports and Rail Transport included a history of the port of Immingham and the changes needed to meet the ever-changing requirements of those using the port. Fieldwork included visits to the surviving buildings and other structures associated with the East Lincolnshire Line and "New Line" together with other nearby locations of industrial archaeological interest. Other field work included a visit to Gunby Hall to assist the National Trust with the interpretation of the use of the Robey engine.

The Society picnic at Oxcombe Farm was a success despite the threat of inclement weather. I.A. Team members took the lead in organising this event. The project to celebrate Lincolnshire's Bricks and Brickmakers in conjunction with Alford Manor House continues to make progress. The Team is greatly saddened by the recent death of Eric Newton. Eric was a much-respected member of the Team. His knowledge of Lincolnshire's water supplies was very comprehensive.

Stephen Betteridge, Chairman of the Industrial Archaeology Team

Local History

Our flagship event of 2023 was the well-received conference on 'Reimagining Lincolnshire' which was organised in conjunction with the University of Lincoln and held at Welton village hall. It consisted of thought-provoking talks & a finale of songs and music. My

thanks go to Professor Heather Hughes for her help in the planning of this event. Our affiliated churches group held its first conference in Epworth Memorial Church. We were given guided tours of the Memorial Church and the Parish Church of St Andrew. There will be another church conference in 2024 which is expected to take place in Tattershall. Two guided tours of churches have also taken place – one to Tathwell and Haugham under Jean Howard whilst John Manterfield led a visit to Allington and Sedgfield. Further church trips are being planned along with the possibility of Zoom tours. My thanks to Jean Howard for leading the churches group. Chris Hewis continues to help arrange events for Heritage Open Days. Our team still monitors the heritage activities of Lincolnshire County Council and the future of Raithby Methodist chapel. Team members also answer queries and questions from around the world. We welcomed SLHA vice-chair Mike Daly to our ranks and would welcome any SLHA member who has an interest in our work.

Mark Acton, Chairman of the Local History Team

Building Recording Group (RUBL)

We have made steady progress during the year on a number of projects. Fieldwork is taking place in South Willingham for the RUBL element of The Lincolnshire Hearth Tax volume which will be published by the Lincoln Record Society and the British Records Society in 2026. Work continues at Kirkstead and Stixwold as part of our contribution to the Sacred Landscapes of the Witham Valley project based at the University of Wales Lampeter. A society visit was made to look at the buildings in Barton-Upon-Humber. A new member has joined the team who is researching the village of Stragglethorpe. Members of RUBL have joined the working party looking at the future of Bardney Abbey. RUBL members continue to play a leading role in the Lincoln Local List project. The Local List is scheduled for adoption by the City Council in 2024. Discussions continue with East Lindsey District Council on the conservation of mud and stud buildings. The Guide to Jews' Court for use by guides to the building is making good progress. The Grantham team continue to monitor developments in the town. There have been regular Zoom meetings throughout the year.

Ken Hollamby, Secretary for David Stocker, Chairman of the Building Recording Team

SLHA Study Tour to SW Scotland

After missing a year for logistical reasons the delayed Study Tour to SW Scotland took place in July. The original plan had been to stay in Dumfries but the hotel was not available and we were moved to the Gretna Hall Hotel at Gretna Green. There were 30 passengers on the trip. The packed weekend started on the journey out at the Devil's Porridge Museum and Ruthwell Cross. On day two there were visits to Dumfries House and the Museum of Lead Mining at Wanlockhead. On day three we had a long drive to medieval Whithorn Abbey and a visit to the nearby book-town of Wigtown. On the last day we visited the National Trust for Scotland's Threave Gardens followed by Sweetheart Abbey and New Abbey Cornmill. On the way home we had a morning in Carlisle. Next year we plan to visit the Isle of Anglesey.

Ken Hollamby

Lincolnshire Heritage Ltd (Booksales)

The Directors of Lincolnshire Heritage remain the same. The bookshop continues to make regular sales and Lincolnshire Heritage transferred £23000 to the Society, but we are hampered by the lack of high-quality donations of books, both fiction and non-fiction. From Easter we were able to open for an extra day. We are now open Wednesday to Saturday. This is due to several new volunteers coming forward. They have integrated well with the existing volunteers and are helping both in the shop and behind the scenes. We do still need more volunteers as we are very stretched over the holiday period and doing outside events and would like to open an extra day. Apart from having stands at the various group conferences we also had a stand at Sparks in Lincoln Cathedral and at the Heckington Show. Both these events were useful for raising the profile of the Society, as well as bringing in a good income. Roz Mellows is now in charge of the Volunteers rota and has also been changing the windows every few weeks to reflect events and lectures. Chris Gilham has taken over postal sales and ordering new books. During the year we published M Miller's book on Pinfolds, doing it via Amazon, which proved quite successful, but was a steep learning curve.

Eva and Nick Moore, Bookshop Managers

Trustees

The Trustees have continued their valuable work via zoom meetings for the last year, a format that is unlikely to change. This does offer the advantage of avoiding travelling time and costs to our members, something particularly welcomed during the winter months. Our primary responsibilities are ensuring that the Society has a clear strategy for the future, and to safeguard the Society's assets; property, reputation and finances. Nick Moore has resigned as a Trustee but continues to support the Society in the bookshop and in many other capacities, and I would like to thank him for his valuable contribution. We have been joined by Chris Gilham, and recently Ian Newton has also attended our meetings. Our minutes are now routinely shared with The Executive, and the Trustees receive theirs, part of an initiative to improve communication within our various bodies. Our work covers a wide variety of topics. This year it has included our annual Trustees Skills review, reports from the Publications Review Group, receiving a report from Nick on the conservation of Jews' Court, as well as matters such as budgeting and succession planning. All of this is in addition to our regular updates covering developments in our bookshop, a report from our Treasurer and an update from the Chair of the Executive. Please consider joining us. Our meetings, only four each year, are interesting and varied, and contribute greatly to the wellbeing of the Society.

Steve Stefaniuk, Chair of the Trustees



Norwich Castle, the subject of the first 'live talk' of 2023.

Archaeology Team

The Archaeology Team meets at Bishop Grosseteste University, and I am grateful to Dr Derwin Gregory for facilitating this. The 2022 Conference was held in Welton with over 80 people attending. We heard about recent finds from Lisa Brundle the Finds Liaison Officer and the recent project on historic towns. For many the highlight of the day was a personal reflection of her time with Time Team by Prof Carezza Lewis. The afternoon began with an entertaining talk by John Thomas of the University of Leicester Archaeology Service on the famous recent discovery of the Trojan War mosaic at the Roman site in Rutland. The theme of Roman archaeology continued with talks about the pottery industry of Market Rasen and the discoveries on the line of the Grantham Southern Relief Road.

Evening lectures at St Hugh's Hall in Lincoln have included Professor Martin Millet talking about Roman Aldborough, Alice Beasley of Allen Archaeology about the works done for the Cathedral Connected project in Lincoln and Tim Pestell speaking about Norwich Castle. The Archaeology Team continues to be involved in the City of Lincoln Local Listing initiative and work around Norton Disney Roman Villa. The Team made a representation on the plans for and continues to monitor developments on Lincoln's Greyfriars. The Team has also been involved in meetings about the management and future for the Bardney Abbey site. The Team also responds to on-going enquiries, helping people learn more about the archaeology of the county.

Ian George, Chairman of the Archaeology Team

History of Lincolnshire Committee

The Committee met three times during the year online. It continues to monitor the progress of a number of potential publications exploring the history of the historic county. Works currently in preparation range chronologically from prehistoric Lincolnshire to some aspects of the county's twentieth-century history.

During the year, a number of book proposals have been received and discussions are ongoing with these prospective authors.

One manuscript has been received and externally reviewed; another has very recently been received. We expect the first of these volumes to be published within the next twelve months.

The History of Lincolnshire Committee now also has oversight of the Society's academic journal, *Lincolnshire History & Archaeology*. Volume 53 (for 2019) will be dedicated to the memory of Dr Dennis Mills and is due to be published in Autumn 2023. It is hoped that a subsequent volume will be published shortly afterwards as ongoing attempts are made to 'catch up'.

Potential authors undertaking academic research into the history of the county are encouraged to contact members of the Committee to discuss the possibilities of publishing books under the Committee's auspices, or to contact Dave Start, the editor of *Lincolnshire History & Archaeology* with regard to the future publication of potential journal articles.

Andrew Walker

Chair of the History of Lincolnshire Committee

Events and Activities

Following requests for more events from members, a number of visits and activities have taken place in addition to the Conferences and Talks Programme organised by the teams. These have included a visit 'behind the scenes' at the Museum of Lincolnshire Life, a visit to Mrs Smith's Cottage, and a full day Conference with a focus on Sleaford which included presentations by local organisations. The Society plans to continue to develop a diverse programme of events and activities inspired by information collected from the recent Members' Survey.

Kathy Holland

Treasurer's Report

The Society showed a surplus for the year of £8,219. Subscription income was 15% (£2,500) higher than the previous year, and donations were £2,700 higher. A doubling of the Bookshop surplus on the previous year to £23,500, together with an increase in bank interest, resulted in a year-on-year increase of income by 12% to a total of £59,500.

We have been successful in maintaining administration costs to the levels of the previous year, other than postage costs, which have risen 52% to £13,700, which is now one of the largest items of expenditure. The Trustees and Executive Committee are currently examining ways of reducing this cost with a move to online communication with those members willing to make this change.

Chris Hewis ACMA, Society Treasurer

Sleaford History Group

During the year, planning occurred for a Sleaford conference in August 2023 and discussions took place regarding the future of the Sleaford History Group. Whilst the Society remains committed to exploring the town's history and archaeology it is felt that this is best done in co-operation with Sleaford's other history and heritage groups. We will continue to schedule events and activities in and about Sleaford but at the moment will no longer be running a separate group. Thanks are due to David Boutle for his work chairing the Sleaford History Group and for engaging in discussions about the future direction of the Society's presence in Sleaford.

Andrew Walker, Chair of the SLHA



Speakers at the 'Lincolnshire Reimagined Conference' held at Welton Village Hall.

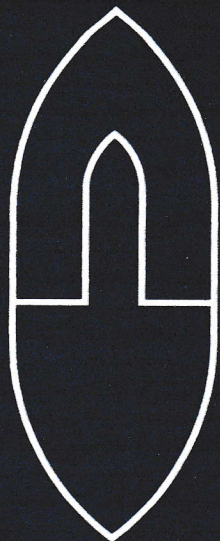
Special Interest Teams

Information about the Special Interest Teams can be found on the www.slha.org.uk. If you are interested in joining any of the Teams please contact the Society Office and your details will be passed to the relevant Team.

THE SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

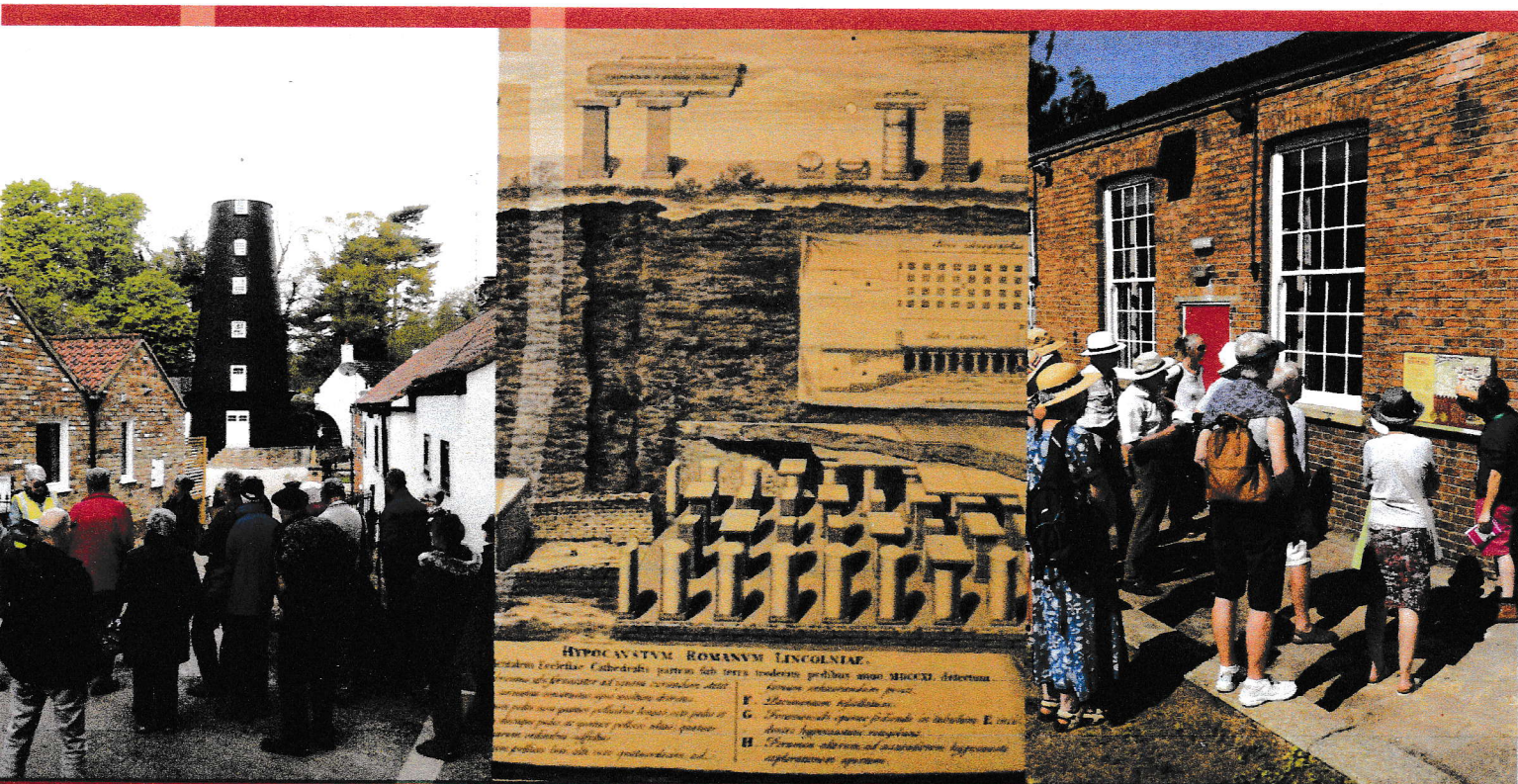
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SOCIETY FOR
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2022 ANNUAL REPORT



Patron : Ursula Lidbetter
President : Naomi Field
Chairman : Ian George
Vice Chairman : Position Vacant

Treasurer : Chris Hewis
Secretary : Kathy Holland
Charity Number : 1182569
Total Membership : 583

Chairman's Report



As we approach the Annual Meeting of the Society, we have a lot to be proud of from the past year. A year ago, we were still struggling as we emerged from the restrictions placed upon us by the pandemic. The AGM was held over Zoom and most activities were still

being done virtually. Over the past year the Society has begun to move back to holding in-person meetings and events. It is clear that there is a reluctance amongst many to mix in large groups while the threat of Covid is still around, so this remains a challenge for the Society going forward.

Despite these difficulties the Society has had a very good year. Probably the highlight was the Society being awarded the Lincoln Civic Award by the Mayor of Lincoln. A delegation of senior society members were invited to Lincoln's historic Guildhall for the ceremony, and a few weeks later the Chairman of our Trustees, Steve Stefaniuk, hosted a garden party to celebrate the achievement. As I said at the time, the award belongs to all those who have put so much time and effort into running the Society over the decades.

The activities of the Society have begun to step up once again which has been so good to see. Jews' Court bookshop is now open once more, although still on limited opening hours. Nick and Eva Moore have done a great job of getting the shop up and running again. We have held a number of in-person meetings, lectures and conferences. While it seems the numbers attending are not back to pre-Covid levels yet, for a Society which thrives on the interaction between its members this is an essential step forward. We are beginning to hold meetings at Jews Court again and in the process are addressing issues over how we manage the use of the building. We have not been able to make progress with Bardney Abbey over the past year and that needs to become more of a priority for the Society in the coming years.

It was great to see volume 52 of our journal *Lincolnshire History and Archaeology* emerge. Particular thanks should go to Dave Start and Naomi Field for their hard work in pulling the contributions together. Our quarterly magazine, *Lincolnshire Past & Present*, continues to provide fascinating insights to the breadth of subjects the Society's members find of interest.

Behind the scenes a lot of work has been undertaken. We have undertaken a review of the Society's publications processes. This now involves much closer working between the Society's Publication Committee and the History of Lincolnshire Committee. We have begun to look at the constitution and structures of the Society with the hope of being able to streamline the way the Society works.

The Society has continued to benefit from a number of bequests and donations over the past year. We are, of

course, extremely grateful for all assistance the Society receives.

The one thing the Society lacks is volunteers. As well as funds, the running of the Society takes a lot of volunteer time. Many of the committees are running on less than full membership meaning, that more and more work falls on fewer people. Without more volunteers the society will have to reduce what it can achieve, and some activities will inevitably fall by the wayside. If you do have time to offer the Society, we would love to hear from you.

The Society would not achieve half of what it achieves without the hard work and dedication of its Secretary, Kathy Holland. My heartfelt thanks to her for all that she does in the face of all sorts of challenges to keep the Society going.

Ian George, Chairman of the Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology

Property

Cyclical maintenance continues to be carried out at Jews' Court, including PAT Testing, boiler maintenance, annual asbestos check, radon monitoring, plus intruder and fire alarm servicing. Weekly/monthly checks and monitoring are carried out at approved intervals to the fire alarm call points, emergency lighting, the intruder alarm system and smoke and heat detection.

An inspection of Jews' Court was carried out by Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue early in 2022, when the premises were rated as being 'Broadly Compliant', with some matters requiring attention. These included a new Fire Risk Assessment, updated Fire and Emergency Action Plans and training for staff and volunteers. Stephen Wells (Consultant) has produced the new Fire Risk Assessment which has now been sent to Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue for approval, the Fire and Emergency Action Plans have been updated and one training session has taken place with another planned. Additional proposed works include fire-stopping work to parts of the building and fire detection to the roof-space subject to listed building approval. Problems are on-going with regard to the external signage to Jews Court. The two low level 'refurbished' signs to either side of the main entrance, although recently re-fixed, are peeling again.

Maintenance of the gardens at Jews' Court has continued with grateful thanks to Dave Mellows.

Colin Holland for the Property Team

Industrial Archaeology

The launch of the book *Stamford's Industrial Past - An Untold Story* was successfully conducted by a half-day Zoom conference. The book, written by Neville Birch, was originally published in the 1970s in pamphlet form as *Stamford, an Industrial History*. The booklet was reviewed by a team of SLHA experts and expanded by the editor, Chris Lester. The book is a fitting tribute to Neville and

Chris and a celebration of the contributions made by many SLHA members. The Team organised a Zoom talk on *The Ruston in the Blue Lagoon*. This explained the recovery of the world's oldest excavator, a Lincoln built steam navy from a flooded quarry and its restoration.

An in-person talk on Humberside Airport explained the origins of the airport. Starting as RAF bomber station it is now an international airport but with many associated additional uses.

An "out of county" visit to the Danum Steam Heritage Centre in Doncaster enabled Team members to enjoy this new display as well as providing the opportunity to visit surviving Great Northern Railway housing close by. Covid derailed the Team's plans in 2020 to visit and note surviving buildings and other structures associated with the East Lincolnshire Line and adjoining railway lines 50 years on from their closure in 1970. However a number of visits were successfully conducted during the period covered by this report.

Team members visited the Martin Chapman collection of historical agricultural machinery on an open day at Saltfleetby All Saints.

The project to celebrate Lincolnshire's Bricks and brickmakers is making encouraging progress.

A project to scan a selection of David Robinson's photographic slides of particular interest to the Society has commenced.



Members of the Society on a visit to St Helen's Church, Little Cawthorpe

Stephen Betteridge, Chairman of Industrial Archaeology

Local History

We were pleased to be able to hold our first conference in three years at the splendid venue of the Petwood Hotel in Woodhall Spa. Members and friends enjoyed a wide-ranging selection of talks on houses and gardens as well as the chance to take in the hotel's own gardens. We should like to thank the Petwood for their hospitality and fine buffet. The team is arranging two conferences for 2023. 'Reimagining Lincolnshire' is being organised in conjunction with the University of Lincoln who will host the event. Our churches group is to hold a conference in St Andrews in Epworth.

The churches group has held two visits to churches this year – the first to Legbourne and Little Cawthorpe, the second to Grantham. We hope further such events will take place.

The team continues to keep a weather eye on such diverse matters as the reinternment of Matthew Flinders, the future of Raithby Methodist chapel and the Heritage Services offered by Lincolnshire Council.



Mark Acton with speakers at the 2022 Conference

Mark Acton, Chairman of the Local History Team

Building Recording Group (RUBL)

This has been a year of work-in-progress. After the interruption due to the Covid19 pandemic, fieldwork has started again. Visits were made to Kirkstead and Stixwold as part of our



Kirkstead Abbey

contribution to the *Sacred Landscapes of the Witham Valley* project based at the University of Wales, Lampeter. A shortlist of target parishes to be studied was agreed for the research in preparation for the RUBL element of *The Lincolnshire Hearth Tax* volume which will be published by the Lincoln Record Society and the British Records Society in 2026. RUBL members are concerned about the failure of the planning system to recognise the mud and stud element of rural buildings in Lincolnshire that are not already on the statutory list. Work is in hand to organise a local meeting to start to address this problem. The paper recording the results of our research on Lincoln Lane Farmhouse in Sixhills was published in Lincolnshire History & Archaeology Volume 52. RUBL members continue to play a leading role in the Lincoln Local List project. The Guide to Jews' Court for use by guides to the building is making good progress. The Grantham team continue to monitor developments in the town. There have been regular Zoom meetings throughout the year.

Ken Hollamby, Secretary of the Building Recording Group

Heritage (Booksales)

During the past year the Shop has been making progress in re-establishing itself following Covid. Neil Wright became Chairman of Lincolnshire Heritage (the Society's Trading Arm). Richard Croft, Roz Mellows and Chris Gilham have joined Steve Stefaniuk as Directors, with Chris Hewis remaining as Company Secretary. Roz Mellows has taken on the organisation of the volunteer rota and has been supervising the changing displays in the shop window. The Company has been able to continue its support for the Society, and we must thank all those members of the Society who have so generously donated books for resale. Despite the reduced trading during 2021, the shop was still able to make a donation of £9,102 to the Society and was able to provide the funding for the publication of Neville Birch's *The Industrial History of Stamford*.

In the current year it has only been possible to open the shop for three days a week, as we have fewer volunteers to work in the shop. We have been very saddened by the death of David Cowell, who has volunteered in the shop for 15 years, after he came to Lincoln, and was a king-pin of the volunteers. The bookshop represented the Society at the Heckington Show and this was a very successful event for promoting the Society and resulted in sales of almost £800.

Nick and Eva Moore, Bookshop Managers

Trustees

During 2022 our quarterly meetings have taken place via Zoom. Whilst we keep the possibility of a return to Jews' Court for our meetings open for review, this does mean being able to participate from the comfort of home and avoids the need to travel, something particularly welcome as the winter approaches.

The principal responsibility of the Trustees is to provide oversight of the Society's activities with regards to strategy, finance and reputation. Additionally, we monitor areas such as intellectual property, personnel, and are the final point of appeal in the event of disputes within the Society.

Safeguarding all of these essential areas is crucial to the long-term health and well-being of the Society and is an interesting and rewarding activity.

This year we have covered a wide range of topics, and have provided guidance on organisational matters, and the roles and responsibilities of SLHA officers. We have also been regularly updated on the progress of Lincolnshire Heritage, and the ongoing Publications Review.

We always welcome interest from anyone who would like to join our team, please do contact me if you would like to discuss this.

Steve Stefaniuk, Chairman of the Trustees

Archaeology Team

While the pandemic has had a big impact upon the Archaeology Team we have continued to meet every two months. Meetings now take place over Zoom. We have organized successful lectures and our Annual Conference. In 2021 the Archaeology Conference was held online.

The attendance was not as high as we had hoped but the quality of papers was excellent. Jonathan Clarke from FAS Archaeology gave the keynote address on the recent discoveries on Lincoln Castle as revealed in the handsome recent volume, *Lincoln Castle Revealed*. Next time we also heard about the *Searching for Saxons* project, field systems in medieval Lincolnshire and the dynamics of the wildscape of the Isle of Axholme. In the afternoon session we concentrated on the stories emerging from the archaeological work undertaken on the Lincoln Eastern Bypass. Lectures and contributions to Sunday Specials have also continued and I am grateful to all those who have spoken to the Society.

Away from lectures and conferences members of the Archaeology Team have been involved in the city of Lincoln local listing initiative and work on the archaeology of the environs of Norton Disney Roman villa. The Archaeology Team also made a representation on the plans for Lincoln's Greyfriars. The Team also respond to a large amount of correspondence over the year, helping people learn more about the archaeology of the county.

Ian George, Chairman of the Archaeology Team

History of Lincolnshire Committee

The Committee met three times during the year, mainly online. It continues to monitor the progress of a number of potential publications exploring the history of the historic county. Works currently in preparation range chronologically from prehistoric Lincolnshire to some aspects of the county's twentieth-century history. Several interesting new book proposals have been received

through the year and the committee is in active dialogue with the potential authors.

It is hoped that a number of these works will be ready for publication in the near future.

The committee welcomed Naomi Field to its membership in the course of the year. Naomi is the representative of the Publications Committee. Partly in response to recommendations in the Society's Publications Review, the two committees are working increasingly closely, especially on areas of mutual interest, such as online publication, print on demand, and marketing.

Committee members were saddened to learn of the death of Professor Alan Rogers in April 2022. Professor Rogers had played an important part in the early years of the work of the History of Lincolnshire Committee, of which he became chair for a period from 1968.

Potential authors undertaking academic research into the history of the county are encouraged to contact members of the Committee to discuss the possibilities of publishing work under the Committee's auspices.

Dr Andrew Walker, Chair of the History of Lincolnshire Committee

Treasurer's Report

The Society made a loss for the year of £10,179.

This was due mainly to the knock-on effects of the pandemic lockdown.

Subscription income was £4,500 less than the previous year, which had been higher than normal due to the payment of accounts in arrears.

Gift Aid income was £700 higher than the previous year.

The Jews' Court Bookshop was only able to return to opening a few days a week, with the subsequent resulting reduction in income.

There were two main contributing factors to the increase in administration costs.

Before the national lockdowns, volunteers delivered our magazines and members' correspondence whenever possible. This is no longer the case, resulting in postage costs almost doubling to £9,000.

I have decided to write off all depreciation costs this year, resulting in a one-off charge of £3,500.

None of our conferences and talks were held until April 2022; income from events was entirely generated from online talks.

With things returning to some sort of normality, and with help from the Trustees, Volunteers, and our Secretary, I sincerely hope to report a surplus next year.

Chris Hewis ACMA, Society Treasurer

Sleaford History Group

The Sleaford History Group has not met since the beginning of the original lockdown for Covid. I am looking to call a meeting to consider a future for the group. This will depend on whether there are members willing not only to support the group, but also to take on the essential offices of Chair, Secretary, Treasurer etc. Currently (as from the last AGM that was held) there are three committee members of which I, as Chairman, was one.

I will not stand for re-election as Chair, but would be willing to serve on a committee if one can be formed.

(Revd.) David Boutle, Retiring Chairman Sleaford SLHA History Group

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

REGISTERED CHARITY : 1182569

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

CALCUL⁸ LIMITED

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE SOCIETY FOR
LINCOLNSHIRE HISTROY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

I, *Faith Searston*, report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2022, set out in the following pages.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that the audit requirement of Section 144 of the Charities Act 2022 (the Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Act), and to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145 (5) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking of 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, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Act
- (ii) To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

Have not been met or

- (iii) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

For and on behalf of Calcul8 Limited, 57 High Street, Saxilby, Lincoln, LN1 2HA

Faith Searston

9th December 2022



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGY

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/03/2022	Charity no (if any)	1182569
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Set out on pages

1-4

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022.

**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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

FS

Date:

9/12/22

Name:

FAITH SEARSTON

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body**

ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS, CIMA ADV DIP MA

(if any):

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Address:

57 HIGH STREET, SAXILBY, LINCOLN, LN1 2HA

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

No material matters of concern.

Materiality level set at 1% of total revenues or expenses

Total revenues - £208.00

Total expenses - £416.00

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

		31/03/22	31/03/21
INCOME :	NOTES	£	£
Fees and Subscriptions		16,609	21,144
Lincolnshire Heritage Ltd (Jews' Court Bookshop)		11,102	12,569
Gift Aid Refunds		2,441	1,695
Donations / Grants		1,409	5,160
Events		1,364	762
History of Lincolnshire Committee		114	1,423
Sleaford History		0	0
Deposit Interest		63	251
Sundries		<u>411</u>	<u>3,891</u>
TOTAL INCOME		<u>33,513</u>	<u>46,895</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Fees and Subscriptions		445	140
Awards / Grants		300	200
Publication Costs		2,854	7,447
Events		116	1,021
Administration – Wages		13,560	13,527
Administration – Others		17,030	11,558
Independent Examiners Fee		300	300
Light and Heat		2,687	3,327
Sleaford History		0	0
Legal Fees		0	0
Insurance		2,446	1,409
Depreciation		3,492	1,491
Sundries		<u>462</u>	<u>4,092</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		43,692	44,512
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR		<u>(10,179)</u>	<u>2,383</u>

The notes on Pages 3 to 4 form part of these accounts

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	NOTES	31/03/22		31/03/21	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	2		0		3,492
CURRENT ASSETS					
Sleaford History Group		859		859	
COIF Account		96,294		96,253	
CAF Current Account		37,741		42,198	
Nat West Current Account (HOL)		4,219		4,219	
Skipton Building Society (HOL)		38,338		38,319	
Petty Cash		71		71	
Petty Cash (Sleaford History)		10		10	
Paypal		0		0	
Stock		0		0	
Stock (HOL)		200		86	
Debtors		17,348		18,527	
Prepayments		1,502	<u>196,582</u>	1,465	<u>202,007</u>
			196,582		205,499
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Receipts in Advance		1,308		0	
Creditors		<u>3,347</u>	<u>4,655</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
NET ASSETS	3		<u>191,927</u>		<u>202,499</u>
REPRESENTED BY :					
ACCUMULATED FUND B / FORWARD			162,245		163,861
Transferred to Earmarked Reserves			(4,000)		(4,000)
EARMARKED RESERVES					
EMIAC		0		0	
Winding Up Reserve		10,000		10,000	
Buildings Reserve		30,516		26,516	
Brian Dawson Legacy		<u>3,348</u>	43,864	<u>3,739</u>	40,255
Less : Excess Expenditure over Income			<u>(10,182)</u>		<u>2,383</u>
ACCUMULATED FUND C / FORWARD			<u>191,927</u>		<u>202,499</u>

The notes on Pages 4 to 5 form part of these accounts

I approve these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information

Approved : **C Hewis ACMA**

Dated : **06 October 2022**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) **Basis of accounting**

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities.

b) **Subscriptions**

Subscriptions are included in the year in which they are received.

c) **Depreciation**

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their useful lives to the business. The annual depreciation rates and methods are as follows :

Office Equipment	20% Straight Line
Buildings	4% Straight Line

d) **Repairs and Renewals**

Repairs and renewals are charged in the profit and loss account when the liability is incurred.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

2 FIXED ASSETS

	Building £	Office Equipment £	TOTAL £
Cost :			
01.04.21	4,186	21,439	25,625
Additions	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0
	4,186	21,439	25,625
Depreciation :			
01.04.21	694	21,439	22,133
Charge for period	<u>3,492</u>	<u>0</u>	3,492
	4,186	21,439	25,625
NET BOOK VALUE AT 31.03.21	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0
NET BOOK VALUE AT 31.03.21	<u>3,492</u>	<u>0</u>	3,492

3 EMPLOYEES RENUMERATION

	31.03.22 £	31.03.21 £
Total Wages	13,560	13,527

THE SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

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SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

REGISTERED CHARITY No : 1182569

Financial Statements

For The Year Ended

31st March 2021

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The Executive Committee present their Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Objects, Organisation and Activities

The Charity is established to promote the education of the public within its area by the study and recording of local history, archaeology, industrial archaeology, topography, architecture, dialect, manners, customs and other similar objects of local interest.

Review of Progress and Achievements

We have lived through unprecedented times the study of which will provide fruitful material for historians for many years to come. The COVID-19 pandemic has changed so much that we previously took for granted. The worlds of work and recreation have changed enormously in a very short period of time. Only time will tell how many of these changes remain permanent. As is often at this time we find ourselves reflecting on friends we have lost. We sadly lost a former chairman of the Society in 2021. Chris Lester was a force of nature and we were fortunate that he applied his energy and vigour to improving the understanding of the local and industrial history of Lincolnshire. We must also record our regret at the loss of Kathleen Jefferson, another leading member of the Society. The good news is that the SLHA has continued to thrive. The number of people interested in the history of their area seems to continue to grow and this interest continues to be supported by widespread coverage of the subjects we all hold dear on television and radio. It is certainly true to say that the world of archaeology, work largely undertaken in response to development, has remained incredibly busy. The Society's membership number remains high, which is both very pleasing and encouraging. Over the period since our last AGM we have continued to be active. Following our tentative first steps into the world of Zoom our online talks have been very well supported. We have covered all sorts of subjects so far and I hope the variety of subject matter will continue to attract the large audiences we have had to date. For the more adventurous Ken Hollamby organised a highly successful tour of Hampshire which had to take place later in the year than planned. The Jews' Court Bookshop has re-opened for limited hours and this is proving to be very successful. I am grateful to Nic and Eva Moore and all the volunteers who support them for enabling this to happen. I am very pleased to say we have been fortunate enough to have Ursula Lidbetter, Chief Executive of Lincolnshire Co-op join the Society as its Patron. Ursula is a passionate advocate for all things Lincolnshire and will be a great addition to the Society. We also have a new President, Naomi Field, who is already getting her teeth stuck into thorny issues of the Society. The new chair of the Trustees, Steve Stefaniuk, is already proving to be a great asset to the Society too. As I have mentioned in the Society newsletters over the past year there is always the need to find more volunteers to help run the Society. That said, the Society is well placed to emerge from the pandemic in fine fettle. We have seen great steps forward in terms of the Society's internal structures and carving out new ways of working which will bring greater efficiencies. There is more to be done but the Society is positioning itself well to address the challenges it faces.

Finances

Given the unprecedented circumstances during this year, the final accounts showed a surplus of £2,343. I have to thank our Secretary, Kathy Holland, for her help in both increasing income from subscriptions and reducing overall expenditure. Income from subscriptions showed an increase of 15% over the previous year. Gift Aid refunds increased by 8%, and donations and grants almost doubled. The closure of the Jews' Court Bookshop (Lincolnshire Heritage Ltd) for most of the year greatly reduced our major source of income. Income almost halved, a reduction of £9,400. The loss would have been considerably greater without a government grant of £10,000. Administration costs were reduced by £13,000 (29%). A stock write-off led to the increased costs for the History of Lincolnshire Committee.

The Charity's bankers are CAF Bank. Funds are also held in a COIF Charities Deposit Fund, the National Westminster Bank and the Skipton Building Society.

The Independent Examiner is Mr T Holleran of Holleran Accountancy, Lincoln.

Ian George
On behalf of the Executive Committee

Dated : 23 October 2021

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	NOTES	31/03/21 £	31/03/20 £
INCOME :			
Fees and Subscriptions		21,144	18,356
Lincolnshire Heritage Ltd (Jews' Court Bookshop)		12,569	21,960
Gift Aid Refunds		1,695	1,569
Donations / Grants		5,160	2,620
Events		762	13,145
History of Lincolnshire Committee		1,423	457
Sleaford History		0	0
Deposit Interest		251	981
Sundries		<u>3,891</u>	<u>2,797</u>
TOTAL INCOME		<u>46,895</u>	<u>61,885</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Fees and Subscriptions		140	371
Awards / Grants		200	214
Publication Costs		7,447	8,752
Events		1,021	10,611
Administration -- Wages		13,527	18,082
Administration -- Others		11,558	15,497
Independent Examiners Fee		300	300
Light and Heat		3,327	2,986
Sleaford History		0	0
Legal Fees		0	2,735
Insurance		1,409	2,367
Depreciation		1,491	4,054
Sundries		<u>4,092</u>	<u>1,161</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		44,512	67,130
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR		<u><u>2,383</u></u>	<u><u>(5,245)</u></u>

The notes on Pages 4 to 5 form part of these accounts

SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	NOTES	31/03/21		31/03/20	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	2		3,492		4,983
CURRENT ASSETS					
Sleaford History Group		859		859	
COIF Account		96,253		96,138	
CAF Current Account		42,198		25,868	
Nat West Current Account (HOL)		4,219		5,885	
Skipton Building Society (HOL)		38,319		38,182	
Petty Cash		71		71	
Petty Cash (Sleaford History)		10		10	
Paypal		0		0	
Stock		0		0	
Stock (HOL)		86		1,562	
Debtors		18,527		28,892	
Prepayments		1,465	<u>202,007</u>	521	<u>197,988</u>
			205,499		202,971
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Receipts in Advance		0		776	
Creditors		<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>1,717</u>	<u>2,493</u>
NET ASSETS	3		<u>202,499</u>		<u>200,478</u>
REPRESENTED BY :					
ACCUMULATED FUND B / FORWARD			163,861		169,105
Transferred to Earmarked Reserves			(4,000)		0
EARMARKED RESERVES					
EMIAC		0		0	
Winding Up Reserve		10,000		10,000	
Buildings Reserve		26,516		22,516	
Brian Dawson Legacy		<u>3,739</u>	40,255	<u>4,101</u>	36,617
Plus : Excess Income over Expenditure			<u>2,383</u>		<u>(5,244)</u>
ACCUMULATED FUND C / FORWARD			<u>202,499</u>		<u>200,478</u>

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I approve these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information

Approved : **C Hewis ACMA**

Dated : **06 July 2021**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities.

b) Subscriptions

Subscriptions are included in the year in which they are received.

c) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their useful lives to the business. The annual depreciation rates and methods are as follows :

Office Equipment	20% Straight Line
Buildings	4% Straight Line

d) Repairs and Renewals

Repairs and renewals are charged in the profit and loss account when the liability is incurred.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

2 FIXED ASSETS

	Building £	Office Equipment £	TOTAL £
Cost :			
01.04.20	4,186	21,439	25,625
Additions	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0
	<u>4,186</u>	<u>21,439</u>	<u>25,625</u>
Depreciation :			
01.04.20	527	20,115	20,642
Charge for period	<u>167</u>	<u>1,324</u>	<u>1,491</u>
	<u>694</u>	<u>21,439</u>	<u>22,133</u>
NET BOOK VALUE AT 31.03.21	<u>3,492</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,492</u>
NET BOOK VALUE AT 31.03.20	<u>3,659</u>	<u>1,324</u>	<u>4,983</u>

3 EMPLOYEES RENUMERATION

	31.03.21 £	31.03.20 £
Total Wages	<u>13,527</u>	<u>18,082</u>

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER' S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
OF THE SOCIETY FOR LINCOLNSHIRE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2021, set out on Pages 2 - 5

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the Charity' s Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that that the audit requirement of Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Act), and to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145 (5) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER' S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking of 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, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention :

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Act : and

to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met : or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

T D Holleran

Dated : 12 September 2021