

The Covenham St Bartholomew Heritage Trust

Sixth Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ending 30 June 2025

Objectives and Public Benefit

The objects of the CIO are:

(I) For the public benefit to secure the preservation, conservation, repair, maintenance, improvement, upkeep, beautification and reconstruction of the church of Covenham St Bartholomew, Lincolnshire and of fixtures and fittings in such church and;

(II) To use the said church for such religious and other charitable purposes as shall be permissible under the Redundancy scheme providing for the appropriation of the said church under the procedures of the Pastoral Measure 1983 as superseded by the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011.

Achievement and Performance

The Covenham St Bartholomew Heritage Trust was first registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 17 June 2019. It incorporates the former charity of the same name established by the late John Bowles in 1988, charity number 700816, which was formally dissolved by the Charity Commissioners on 14 December 2019.

The constitution of the CIO limits voting rights solely to the Trustees.

As a result of both the extensive survey completed in 2024 and the continued deterioration of the existing temporary roof, Listed Consent and Planning Permission were obtained to allow the fitting of a temporary steel roof. Parallel to this, discussions continue with Historic England for further funding to enable us to continue to protect the Church building.

The last AGM was held at Ashtree House in Covenham on 3rd September 2024 with apologies from Allan Barton due to illness. Mrs Ali Fazakerley continues as honorary treasurer. Trustees met on one occasion in person and otherwise by Google meet. This saves high expenditure on travel as well as journey time, but it should be recorded that no trustee has to date ever claimed any travel expenses from the charity.

Churchyard and ecology

The maintenance of the churchyard continues to be carried out by volunteers, although due to external factors only one gardening party was arranged during the year. The Barn Owls have bred again in the tower.

Encouraging wider interest and support

We had a trickle of visitors throughout the year, who were let in and guided by Diane Seddon who continues to be a key holder, for which the trustees are very thankful.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is controlled by its governing document and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. In carrying out the business of the Trust, Trustees pay due regard to the advice of The Charity Commission relevant to the administration of the Charity. The principal address of the charity was altered during the year.

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered Charity number 1183927

Principal Address.

Hove To, Main Road, Covenham St Bartholomew, Louth LN11 0PF

Trustees

Mr Ian Fazakerley (for 3 years from 2022 to 2025)
Mrs Nicky Gulley-Brown (for 3 years from 2022 to 2025)
Mrs Anne Gray (for 3 years from 2023 to 2026)
Dr Allan Barton (for 3 years from 2023 to 2026)

Bankers

Barclays LLP, Leicester. LE87 2BB

Approved by the Trustees

Signed (Trustee)

Registered Charity number 1183927

The Covenham St Bartholomew Heritage Trust Annual Accounts 01 July 2024 – 30 June 2025

The Covenham St Bartholomew Heritage Trust		Annual Accounts 2024-2025		
Date	Item	Income	Expenditure	Balance
				£10,251.60
Balance B/Fwd				
JULY 2024				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
2nd	IC&A Fazakerley Donation	£10.00		
17th	Donation	£200.00		£10,506.60
AUGUST 2024				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
5th	Parish Council Grant for churchyard	£250.00		
18th	Morton Partnership - Inv 35116		£3,093.00	£7,708.60
SEPTEMBER				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
5th	Fazakerley - Visitor Donation	£10.00		
5th	IC&A Fazakerley - Donation	£20.00		
16th	Fazakerley Reimbursements		£342.33	

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25th	EMB Ltd – LPWS Grant VAT repayment	£1,891.93		£9,333.20
OCTOBER				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
7th	Give as you Live	£15.31		
3rd	Fazakerley Direct Cr – Sales of glasses to CVV	£10.00		£9,403.51
NOVEMBER				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
4th	Rodden and Cooper Inv 9309		£4,152.00	£5,296.51
DECEMBER				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		£5,341.51
JANUARY	2025			
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
7th	Castree Ltd Inv 2659		£1,400.00	
17th	Historic England – Grant	£3,519.00		
22nd	HMRC Charities – Gift Aid repayment	£238.57		
27th	Morton Partnership - Inv 35644		£963.00	
27th	Fazakerley – Direct Donation	£10.00		
28th	EMB Ltd – LPWS Grant – VAT Repayment	£1,042.50		£7,833.58
FEBRUARY				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
28th	Fazakerley Direct Cr – Donation	£10.00		£7,888.58
MARCH				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
7th	HMRC Charities – Gift Aid repayment	£432.48		£8,366.06
APRIL				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
16th	Fazakerley Direct Cr – Donation	£20.00		
7th	CVV – Donation Photo event by Diane Sedd	£139.26		
7th	Castree Ltd CrN2659 Refund	£260.00		£8,830.32
MAY				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
1st	Fazakerley Direct Cr – Donation	£10.00		£8,885.32
JUNE				
Asstd	Monthly D/D Donations	£45.00		
9th	Fazakerley Direct Cr – Donation	£10.00		
16th	Fazakerley Riembursement – Access Insurance		£202.40	
16th	Fazakerley Riembursement – ELDC		£383.00	£8,354.92
		Income	Expenditure	Balance
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR		£8,639.05	£10,535.73	£8,354.92