



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Gloucestershire Spiritual Direction Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1187445

Charity's principal address

47, Hartley Close

Chipping Sodbury

BRISTOL

Postcode

BS37 6NW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Anne Vera Jane Solomon	Trustee	Apt. 20.01.20	Ecumenical Community of Spiritual Directors
2	Mary Siobhan Smith	Secretary	Apt. 20.01.20	Ecumenical Community of Spiritual Directors
3	Revd Christopher David Mason	Chair	Apt. 20.01.20	Ecumenical Community of Spiritual Directors
4	Revd Ann Veronica Marsham Morris	Treasurer	Apt. 20.01.20	Ecumenical Community of Spiritual Directors
5	Revd Canon Ian Bussell	Representing Diocese of Gloucester	Apt. 20.03.21	Diocese of Gloucester
6	Mrs Sarah Richards	Representing Diocese of Clifton	Apt.20.03.21	Diocese of Clifton
47 7	Revd Ian Spencer	Trustee	Apt. 20.03.21	Ecumenical Community of Spiritual Directors
8	Revd Jayne Webb	Representing Methodist Circuit	Apt. 20.03.21	Methodist Circuit

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B management

Structure, governance and

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	C.I.O
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Initial appointment at constitution then confirmed at first AGM by the ecumenical community of spiritual directors 20.03.21

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- ☐ policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- ☐ the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- ☐ relationship with any related parties;
- ☐ trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

1. To advance the education of the public in the subject of 'spiritual direction' (spiritual accompaniment) as arises from the Christian tradition.
2. To teach, promote and facilitate this ancient Christian practice for the benefit of people of all denominations and none, in Gloucestershire and the surrounding areas, in particular to facilitate a vocational training course for those drawn to this ministry.
3. To advance the Christian faith by promoting awareness and understanding of the practice of spiritual direction, which is defined as a way of advancing Christianity, in that it is a conversation held between two people (or in a group) in the understanding of the presence of a third (the 'Holy Spirit') which seeks to explore the questions 'who is God for me?' and 'where is God in all this life?'
The Gloucestershire spiritual direction trust will achieve its charitable purposes, in particularly but not exclusively by:
 - a. providing a course in training and formation for those seeking to provide this ministry
 - b. providing a trusted and confidential 'access service' in which those seeking spiritual direction may be offered names of potential spiritual directors
 - c. organising informal meetings and continuing professional development opportunities for those involved in the

practice of spiritual direction
d. ensuring supervision is available to spiritual directors and encouraging those involved in this work to hold themselves to the highest ethical standards

Please see previous section

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- ☐ policy on grantmaking;
- ☐ policy programme related investment;
- ☐ contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Although the CIO did not begin 'trading' until June 2021 and the training course was undergoing a sabbatical year during the pandemic, we are pleased to report that the Trust was able to support and oversee the following activities:

1. Regular communication with members (approx 112) of the Ecumenical Community through newsletters in January, June and September
2. Informal support and enrichment for learning of spiritual directors in online meetings in March, June and October with input from 'visiting' speakers
3. Informal support and enrichment for learning of supervisors of directors on 20th October 2021
4. Planning for a training and development morning on Saturday 27th November 2021 led by two external 'visiting' speakers
5. Team building for the Trustee body through a quiet day retreat is also underway for early in 2022

We warmly commend the energy, commitment and support of our Trustee team in regular attendance at meetings and in undertaking background work in small groups.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- ☐ the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- ☐ how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- ☐ investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		Chris Mason
Full name(s)	Mary Siobhan Smith	Christopher Mason
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Chair
Date	04.11.2021	09.11.2021



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Gloucester Spiritual Direction Trust

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Jun-20

To

Dec-20

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
None	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Payments					
None	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
None	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Ann Morris		

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04/11/2021