



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.01.2021 Period start date To 31.12.2021
Period end date

Charity name: Gloucestershire Spiritual Direction Trust

Charity registration number: 1187445

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Objects of the charity Gloucestershire Spiritual Direction Trust 1.To advance the education of the public in the subject of 'spiritual direction' (spiritual accompaniment) as arises from the Christian tradition. 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. 2.To advance the Christian faith by promoting awareness and understanding of the practice of spiritual direction. Spiritual direction 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?
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	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
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During the year Jan 2021-Dec 2021 The CIO has now been 'trading' for 18 months. During the pandemic much activity was 'on hold' and the sabbatical year for the spiritual direction course was extended to 2 years in view of the difficult considerations to be made of how to run, what had been, an in person course. However, activities have continued. 1. The maintenance of communication to the members of the Ecumenical Community of Spiritual Directors via regular newsletters 2. Continuing development opportunities online with visiting speakers delivering talks and learning opportunities of interest to the members 3. Informal online, and more recently in person, opportunities for members of the community to get together socially have been arranged. 4. Online training events have been held during the year, to encourage and educate members 5. The trustee body met regularly to discuss policy issues and develop the work of the Trust 6. A 'hybrid' online and in person training course known as A Companion's Way was developed with planned first term start date of February 2022
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of	Para 1.41	

fundraising activities against objectives set		
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	See separate document submitted
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Income to the charity is from members of the ecumenical community if they attend development opportunities. Costs of the events are covered. When the course begins, fees for the course will constitute a large proportion of the income and will cover the costs of providing the course.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	C.I.O
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are appointed by vote at the AGM according to individual's skills and willingness to stand for election. One trustee is nominated by the Anglican diocese of Gloucester and the Roman Catholic diocese of Clifton. Our constitution ensures a 'denominational spread' within the trustee body

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Gloucester Spiritual Direction Trust
Other name the charity uses	n/a
Registered charity	1187445

number	
Charity's principal address	47, Hartley Close, Chipping Sodbury, Bristol. 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	Rev. Christopher David Mason	Chair	Whole year	
2	Ann Veronica Marsham Morris		Whole year	
3	Anne Vera Jane Solomon		Whole year	
4	Mary Siobhan Smith	Secretary	Whole year	
5	Rev. Canon Ian Bussell	Representing Diocese of Gloucester	20.03.21	Diocese of Gloucester
6	Rev. Ian Spencer		20.03.21	
7	Sarah Richards	Representing Diocese of Clifton	20.03.21	Diocese of Clifton
8	Rev. Jayne Webb	Representing Methodist Circuit	20.03.21	Methodist Circuit
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

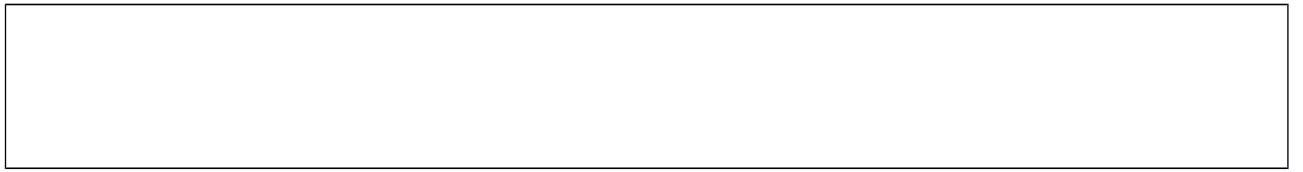
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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information



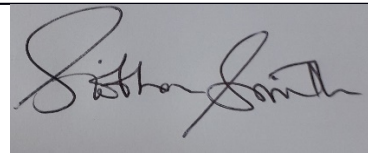
Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

C. D. Mason



Full name(s)

Christopher David Mason

Mary Siobhan Smith

Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Secretary

Date

24th October 2022

25th October 2022



Receipts and payments account

For the period from	01/21	To
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts			
	2,175	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,175	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).			
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,175	-	-
A3 Payments			
	3,571	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	3,571	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)			
None	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-
Total payments	3,571	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,396	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-

<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	- 1,396	-	-
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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Bank Account	508
	Co-op Bank Account	10,280
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	Total cash funds	10,788
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates

Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature

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Total funds	Last year
to the nearest £	to the nearest £
2,175	-
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2,175	-
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2,175	-
3,571	-
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3,571	-
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1,396	-
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-	1,396	-
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Restricted funds	Endowment funds
to nearest £	to nearest £
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Restricted funds	Endowment funds
to nearest £	to nearest £
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Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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