



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.01.2022 Period start date To 31.12.2022 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	
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 2022-Dec 2022 The CIO has now been 'trading' for 30 months. 1. With lifting of Covid restrictions the new 'hybrid' course mentioned in the last report began as planned in early Feb 2021 and runs until December 2023 2. Communication with members of the ecumenical community was maintained with regular informal zoom and in-person events 3. Continuing development opportunities were offered

		online with visiting speakers offering learning opportunities to members 4. A regular newsletter was distributed to members 5. The trustee body met regularly to develop policies of relevance
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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 fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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. Since the course began the largest element of funds held by the CIO is payment for the course. Costs of the course are covered from that income.
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 number	1187445
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	Whole year	Diocese of Gloucester
6	Rev. Ian Spencer		Whole year	
7	Sarah Richards	Representing Diocese of Clifton	Whole year	Diocese of Clifton
8	Rev. Jayne Webb	Representing Methodist Circuit	Whole year	Methodist Circuit
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

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

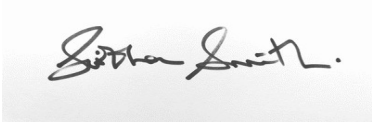
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Mary Siobhan Smith	
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Trustee (and charity contact)	
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Date

31 st Oct 2023



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Gloucester Spiritual Direction Trust

1187445

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Jan-22

To

Dec-22

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					
Fee income	13,800	-	-	13,800	2,175
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,800	-	-	13,800	2,175
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,800	-	-	13,800	2,175
A3 Payments					
Costs of resourcing course	12,290	-	-	12,290	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	12,290	-	-	12,290	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
None	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	12,290	-	-	12,290	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,510	-	-	1,510	2,175
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	10,788	-	-	10,788	-
Cash funds this year end	12,298	-	-	12,298	2,175

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	Lloyds Bank Account	36	-	-
	Co-op Bank Account	12,261	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	12,297	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Ann Morris		

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