

BRISTOL JEWISH BURIAL SOCIETY

England & Wales · Charity number 1189458

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-05-13

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1) UNDERTAKE THE PREPARATION OF FUNERALS OF PERSONS OF THE JEWISH FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRACTICE OF ORTHODOX JEWS.2) KEEP AND MAINTAIN THE JEWISH BURIAL GROUNDS IN BRISTOL, AND3) AID AND ASSIST ANY OTHER JEWISH CHARITY BY WAY OF GIFT OR LOAN FROM THE CAPITAL OR INCOME OF THE SOCIETY IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SOCIETY IN SUCH WAYS AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT.

Activities: Provide for people of Orthodox Jewish Faith their preparation and burial , and support of their next of kin.It also maintains 3 burial grounds within and outside Bristol. (1 historic and closed, the others usable.)

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Bristol City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£8,298	£15,621	-	-
2023-12-31	£15,366	£73,950	-	-
2022-12-31	£200,252	£51,206	-	-
2021-12-31	£13,697	£47,762	-	-
2020-12-31	£9,252	£33,367	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Samuel Baum	Chair	2025-10-19
Anton Goldenstein		2025-10-19
Jake Colman		2025-10-19
Jessica Baum		2025-10-19
Melody Lucienne Beard		2025-10-19

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Trustees Meeting 8pm, 17 October, 2024

Minutes of Meeting

Present: Alan Elkan (Chair+Trustee), Sam Baum and Yoram Adani Trustees

1.0. Previous Minute for 1/4/24 agreed

2.0 Registration of our 3 sites with the Land Registry

The Land Registry had misunderstood the needs for registration so have canceled the applications. Solicitor has reapplied.

3.0 Sites

3.1 Barton Vale

Concern over ongoing maintenance costs for this site which is no longer used. Ben Bar Orian charges £600 2-3 per year. Are there cheaper alternatives? Agreed to have a site visit on Sunday November 10. Sam to look into alternative gardeners and links to school. Alan and Sam to find out who is responsible for the back wall adjacent to Sweetman Place.

3.2 Fishponds

Overflow leak now fixed.

3.3 Memorial Woodlands

£2,760 maintenance costs this year .

4.0 Deaths

There were 2 deaths this past year, Arnold Greenwood April 2024 and John Hecht May 2024. Both of whose families paid the £4,200 fee.

5.0 Open Days

No open day this year at Fishponds due to lack of availability from both Sam and Yoram. But £700 in donations have been received. We discussed the possibility of setting up a digital donations system on a Bristol Chevra website. Sam to explore these options.

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6.0 Finances

Currently ?

We are now using Quick Books which costs us £1,000 per year.

7.0 Funeral costs

Very much the same as last year, Harris' charges £2,500 for a weekday funeral, Memorial Woodlands charges an additional £930 for working with them. We now charge £4,200. Our only income is from deaths and donations. We still need to explore extending our reach and trying to find funds from bigger Jewish organizations. Sam to explore some more.

8.0 Records

The records have been sent to Alan Tobias to update.

9.0 Chairmanship change

Still pending.

Meeting Ended 11.30am

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Bank Accounts - movement for the year ending 31 December 2024

	31 December 2024 £	31 December 2023 £
<u>B/f bank balances</u>		
NatWest current account	9,250.97	27,071.19
Cash	385.00	85.00
NatWest deposit account	-	441.95
Bath Building Society	10,588.92	10,328.74
Santander Bond	81,445.57	81,445.57
Triodos	61,332.44	80,879.82
	<u>163,002.90</u>	<u>200,252.27</u>
<u>Receipts</u>		
Funerals and Headstones receipts	3,360.00	12,400.00
Donations and subs in	1,764.61	1,055.00
Interest Bath Building Society	227.29	260.18
Interest NatWest Deposit	-	1.22
Transfer	-	197.26
Interest Triodos	1,752.36	1,452.62
Interest Santander	1,193.79	0.00
	<u>8,298.05</u>	<u>15,366.28</u>
<u>Transfers in</u>		
Transfer from Bath Building Society	4,000.00	-
Transfer from Santander Bond	81,445.57	-
Transfer from Triodos	-	21,000.00
	<u>85,445.57</u>	<u>21,000.00</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Funeral Expenses	3,530.60	6,750.00
Utilities	592.11	485.76
Sundry	435.00	178.55
Repairs & Renewals	1,708.00	37,407.80
Accountant	1,302.00	780.00
Insurances	1,592.90	2,203.04
Grass & grounds works	6,450.00	4,500.00
Bank Charges	10.50	10.50
Petty Cash withdrawal	-	300.00
Transfer out Bath Building Society	4,000.00	-
Transfer out Santander Bond	81,445.57	-
Transfer out Triodos	-	21,000.00

	<u>101,066.68</u>	<u>73,615.65</u>
C/f bank balances		
NatWest current account	85,778.83	9,250.97
Cash	-	385.00
Bath Building Society	6,816.21	10,588.92
Santander Bond	-	81,445.57
Triodos	63,084.80	61,332.44
	<u>155,679.84</u>	<u>163,002.90</u>

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Bristol Jewish Burial Society
I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Bristol Jewish Burial Society (The Society) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed:



Name: C Halsall

F.F.A. BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance

Address: Taxsavars (Downend) Limited 25 Badminton Road Downend Bristol BS16 6BB

Date: 8 August 2024

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Accounts

Bristol Jewish Burial Society (Chevra Kadisha)
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Notes of Trustees meeting at 3 Coronation Road, Downend, S Glos. on 1st April 2023. 10.00

Present: Alan Elkan (Chairman and Trustee), Sam Baum and Yoram Adani, (Trustees)

1.0 **Re registration** of Memorial Woodland site, and registration of Fishponds and Barton Vales sites. Applications still with the Land Registry which nationally is months behind schedule.

2.0 **Tehara Revival, post Covid.**

Sam was investigating volunteers from the congregation (only 4 needed at any time) Preparation room still waiting for use at Harris's.

Meantime all Preparation is carried out by both funeral directors. No objections ever received from members of the congregation of it not being as per tradition.

Sam Silverman 12 June 22

4.0 **Fishponds**

Toilet working properly now and basin waste put into soakaway to reduce load on storage tank. Ben Bar Orien monitors its filling and, with Alan, calls Bristol Drains if emptying needed. He continues to maintain the sites and clean down the buildings before public usage.

3.0 **Deaths during the year and beyond.**

Heidi Furlong 12 Oct 22

Richard Tuchband 27 July 22

Dominique Myers 15 Jan 23

5.0 **Finances**

End of year statements from the 4 banks are with the accountant, Esther White, but was £218,757 on 31 Dec. (will be about £32,000 less in 2023 due to extensive emergency wall rebuilding at Fishponds.)

6.0 **Chairmanship**

Still pending.

Alan Elkan

The meeting ended at 11.15.

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Natwest current account	£20,258.57	£38.73
Petty cash	£20.00	£441.95
Natwest deposit account	£441.95	£3,960.00
Natwest special account	£0.00	£22,220.25
Bath Building Society	£22,232.12	£81,215.82
Santander BOND	£81,265.64	£94,352.25
Triodos Bank	£94,539.00	
	£218,757.28	£248,862.30

Receipts

Funerals & Headstone receipts	£4,840.00	£11,095.00
Donations and subs in	£1,010.00	£2,300.00
Water refund	£0.00	£53.61
Interest Bath Building Society	£96.62	£11.87
Transfer	£169.59	£0.00
Interest Triodos	£340.82	£186.75
Petty cash movement	£65.00	£0.00
Interest Santander	£179.93	£49.82
	£6,701.96	£13,697.05

Transfers in

Transfer to close NatWest special account	£0.00	£3,960.00
Transfer from Bath Building Society	£12,000.00	£0.00
Transfer from Triodos	£14,000.00	£0.00
	£26,000.00	£3,960.00

Payments

Funeral expenses	£7,375.00	£2,495.00
Cemetery fees	£0.00	£10,690.00
Utilities	£343.77	£353.71
Cleaning	£1,545.31	£455.00
Repairs	£7,491.80	£15,840.00
Accountant	£750.00	£750.00
Insurances	£1,512.09	£1,448.79
Grass & grounds works	£6,059.00	£10,172.84
Petty cash withdrawal	£130.00	£18.73
Solicitors fees	£0.00	£1,578.00
Transfer out NatWest	£0.00	£3,960.00
Transfer out Bath Building Society	£12,000.00	£0.00
Transfer out Triodos	£14,000.00	£0.00
	£51,206.97	£47,762.07

C/f bank balances

Natwest current account	£27,071.19	£20,258.57
Cash	£85.00	£20.00
Natwest deposit account	£441.95	£441.95
Bath Building Society	£10,328.74	£22,232.12
Santander BOND	£81,445.57	£81,265.64

Bristol Jewish Burial Society

Charity Number 1057343

Bank Accounts - movement for the year ending 31st December 2022

Esther White ACA
Chartered Accountants
Email: esther@estherwhite.com
Tel: 07971 543016

Independently verified by Katie Kennedy ACA

Membership Number 8744555

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Trustees Meeting 10am, 18 September, 2022

Minutes of Meeting

1.0 Correct registration with Charity Commission (CH.C)

Currently the old and COI societies are registered. Our solicitor has told CH.C the old number will cease when all our sites registered with Land Registry, espec. at Mem Woodlands (MW) and funds logged with COI. (Alan to prompt Solic).

2.0 Covid and Teharim

No longer prohibition on teharim.

Sam trying to get teams together with October training at our new dedicated room in Harris' Staple Hill.

Anyway all preps to be done there regardless of which cemetery used, paying Haris for extra transportation to MW..

3.0 Fishponds toilet

All working with holding tank, with basin waste diverted.

4.0 Land registry

Registration of Fishponds and Barton Vale still awaited. (Alan to pursue).

5.0 Empty plots, Fishponds

Illogical use of plots over decades! Alan checked site against the 1997 catalog of burials (Tobias, Levy etc). At least 25 plots are still usable.! Revised layouts to be issued..

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6.0 Finances

Still about £212,000 in the 4 accounts. Accounts 2022 to be checked 31.12..

7.0 Summers

New management caused problems for Pauline Glynne, Stephen Silverman and David Moore. Alan spoke to new local managers to improve, as we only suggest, not recommend, their use.

8.0 Funerals this year

Sam Silverman, Richard Tuchman both at Fishponds.

9.0 Taking over of Chair

Still in limbo, All three looked around Fishponds and MW sites to better understand matters. Sam and Alan have also met.

Yoram is now the contact for funerals and stone setting with Alan for admin matters which Sam is gradually learning (should be better identified in The Recorder).

Meeting Ended 11.30am.

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Bank Accounts - movement for the year ending 31st December 2021

	31st Dec 2021	31st Dec 2020
<u>B/f bank balances</u>		
Natwest current account	£46,633.30	£38,427.85
Petty cash	£38.73	£38.73
Natwest deposit account	£441.95	£3,439.00
Natwest special account	£3,960.00	£3,960.00
Bath Building Society	£22,220.25	£52,097.16
Santander BOND	£81,215.82	£81,134.50
Triodos Bank	£94,352.25	£93,879.92
	<u>£248,862.30</u>	<u>£272,977.16</u>
<u>Receipts</u>		
Funerals & Headstone receipts	£11,095.00	£7,489.83
Donations and subs in	£2,300.00	£810.00
Compensation transfer	£0.00	£272.92
Water refund	£53.61	£0.00
Interest Bath Building Society	£11.87	£123.09
Interest NatWest	£0.00	£2.95
Interest Triodos	£186.75	£472.33
Interest Santander	£49.82	£81.32
	<u>£13,697.05</u>	<u>£9,252.44</u>
<u>Transfers in</u>		
Transfer to close NatWest special account	£3,960.00	£3,000.00
Transfer from Bath Building Society	£0.00	£30,000.00
	<u>£3,960.00</u>	<u>£33,000.00</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Funeral expenses	£2,495.00	£2,982.00
Cemetery fees	£10,690.00	£2,051.00
Utilities	£353.71	£554.60
Cleaning	£455.00	£431.60
Repairs & Renewals	£15,840.00	£17,674.60
Accountant	£750.00	£750.00
Insurances	£1,448.79	£1,453.50
Grass & grounds works	£10,172.84	£6,170.00
Petty cash	£18.73	£400.00
Solicitors fees	£1,578.00	£900.00
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Trustees: Yoram Adani, Samuel Baum

Minutes of trustees' meeting at 3 Coronation Road, Downend BS16 5SN at 8pm on 6th June 2021

Present: Alan Elkan, Ian Kane, Yoram Adani, Sam Baum

Deaths of trustees

The meeting sadly noted the passing of Alex Schlesinger and Leonard Glynn.

New trustees

Owing to the deaths of Alex Schlesinger and Leonard Glynn, Yoram Adani and Samuel Baum are now trustees.

Finances

NatWest Bank finally paid £3960 owing to the society following pressure from the Financial Services Ombudsman (FSO).

At 21/12/20, the society held, in four accounts, £248,362.30.

The society continues to wait for £1995 owed by the French government for the funeral of Frederick Rouah.

Operations

Alan Elkan continues to run the society with Yoram Adani assisting with funerals. Covid-19 has meant we cannot carry out teharim – this work now being done by Harris Funeral Directors. Larger congregations do carry out the ritual but with more equipment and volunteers. Hence the two tehara teams are now redundant and there is no foreseeable means to revive them if Covid matters improve.

Fishponds burial ground

Cleaning is carried out every two weeks by *Spotless Cleaning*.

Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) status

This is still proceeding.

Registration of the sites at Fishponds, Barton Vale and re-registration at Memorial Woodlands.

Alan attempted to carry this out but it was far too complicated and has now been passed to the society's solicitors.

The meeting closed at 9pm.