

**Charity Registration No. 1194622**

**DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY  
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

# DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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| <b>Trustees</b> | J K Cushion<br>Mr G P Robinson<br>Mr A T Jones<br>V Lewis-Jones<br>S Goreham | (Appointed 21 May 2021)<br>(Appointed 9 April 2021)<br>(Appointed 9 April 2021)<br>(Appointed 9 April 2021)<br>(Appointed 7 January 2022) |
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| <b>Charity number</b> | 1194622 |
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| <b>Registered office</b> | 84 Valebridge Road<br>Burgess Hill<br>West Sussex<br>England<br>RH15 0RP |
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| <b>Independent examiner</b> | Azets Audit Services<br>1 Nelson Street<br>Southend-On-Sea<br>Essex<br>United Kingdom<br>SS1 1EG |
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| <b>Bankers</b> | Metro Bank PLC<br>G19 - G521, Victoria Business Centre<br>208 London Road<br>Southend-On-Sea<br>Essex<br>United Kingdom<br>SS1 2NG |
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# **DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY**

## **TRUSTEE'S REPORT REPORT**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

#### **Objectives and activities**

The objects of the CIO are to preserve the historical and patriotic value of the life and work of the late Dame Vera Lynn throughout world war two until her death in 2020. In particular to raise funds to finance the erection of a statue to Dame Vera Lynn on the cliffs adjacent to Dover.

When Dame Vera Lynn died in 2020, it was decided by the family and with the huge support of Sir Davis Amess, to honour the memory of Dame Vera in the form of a Memorial. It soon became apparent that this met with the approval of many thousands of people from across the world, who over the years had been affected by her unstinting work with charitable organisations not only with members of the armed forces, but her work with disabled children.

To this end it soon became apparent that Dame Vera would not disappear into the night, become forgotten, but through her work and her songs she would live on.

On the anniversary of her passing on 20 June 2021, we launched the appeal at Dover, for the memorial. Since that date we have now raised a third of the funds required for the first tranche of the memorial, to which end our sculptor Paul Day has now made various brilliant maquettes.

To further celebrate the life of Dame Vera, we had the Thanksgiving service at Westminster Abbey which was a tremendous success. Through this wonderful event, we have now acquired various ambassadors for the appeal, including Sir Tim Rice, Katherine Jenkins, Anthony Andrews etc. We also have the huge support of Sir Paul McCartney and other stars of the musical world, and not forgetting of course the wonderful Mr. Alan Titchmarsh!

There is of course still so much to be achieved on the Dame Vera Lynn Memorial Statue Appeal. The website is called : - '[www.dameveralynnmemorialstatue.co.uk](http://www.dameveralynnmemorialstatue.co.uk)'

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

#### **Achievements and performance**

##### **Financial review**

As a result of fund-raising activities during the year a total of £566,719 has been raised. Some significant private and corporate donations have been received together with a considerable number on individual donations. The trustees are extremely grateful for each and every one.

Details of expenditure totalling £73,725 are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities and include the first payment to our appointed sculpture of £56,000.

As a result of the above a surplus for the year has been achieved of £492,994.

It is the policy of the Charity to continue to raise funds sufficient to complete the Memorial Statue and the erection thereof

The trustees has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

##### **Plan for future period**

Fund raising activities will continue throughout the forthcoming year with a combination of Web site activities, Charitable events and the appointment of fund raising Ambassadors to promote the Appeal.

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# **DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY**

## **TRUSTEE'S REPORT REPORT (CONTINUED)**

***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022***

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### **Structure, governance and management**

The charity is governed by its constitution dated 1st April 2021.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

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| J K Cushion     | (Appointed 21 May 2021)                                 |
| Mr G P Robinson | (Appointed 9 April 2021)                                |
| Mr A T Jones    | (Appointed 9 April 2021)                                |
| V Lewis-Jones   | (Appointed 9 April 2021)                                |
| J L Lumley      | (Appointed 9 April 2021 and resigned 15 September 2021) |
| S Goreham       | (Appointed 7 January 2022)                              |

Due to the Fund having only one objective it will be wound up once this is achieved. Therefore we have no plans to recruit new Trustees.

The Trustee's report report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



**Mr G P Robinson**

Trustee

Dated: 23 June 2022

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# DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Dame Vera Lynn Memorial Statue - Charity (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of , which is one of the listed bodies.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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 financial statements to be reached.

  
Julian Golding  
Azets Audit Services  
1 Nelson Street  
Southend-On-Sea  
Essex  
SS1 1EG  
United Kingdom

Dated: 23/06/2022

# DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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|   | Notes | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>2022<br>£ |
|---|-------|------------------------------------|
| <b><u>Income from:</u></b>                                |       |                                    |
| Donations and legacies                                    | 3     | 566,719                            |
| <b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>                             |       |                                    |
| Charitable activities                                     | 4     | 73,725                             |
| <b>Net income for the year/<br/>Net movement in funds</b> |       | 492,994                            |
| Fund balances at 1 April 2021                             |       | -                                  |
| <b>Fund balances at 31 March 2022</b>                     |       | <u>492,994</u>                     |

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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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# DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY


## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

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|   | Notes    | 2022<br>£       | £              |
|---|----------|-----------------|----------------|
| <b>Current assets</b>                                 |          |                 |                |
| Cash at bank and in hand                              |          | 550,265         |                |
| <b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>(57,271)</b> |                |
| Net current assets                                    |          |                 | <u>492,994</u> |
| <b>Income funds</b>                                   |          |                 |                |
| Unrestricted funds                                    |          |                 | <u>492,994</u> |
|   |          |                 | <u>492,994</u> |

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 23 June 2022



Mr G P Robinson  
Trustee



# DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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|  | Notes | 2022<br>£ | £ |
|--|-------|-----------|---|
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>      |       |           |   |
| Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations     | 10    | 550,265   |   |
| <b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>     |       |           | - |
| <b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>     |       |           | - |
| <b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b> |       | 550,265   |   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year   |       |           | - |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>  |       | 550,265   |   |

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# DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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### **1 Accounting policies**

#### **Charity information**

Dame Vera Lynn Memorial Statue - Charity is a UK Registered Charity with the Charity Commission.

#### **1.1 Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### **1.2 Going concern**

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### **1.3 Charitable funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

#### **1.4 Income**

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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# DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 3 Donations and legacies

#### Unrestricted funds

2022

£

Donations and gifts

566,719

### 4 Charitable activities

#### Expenditure

2022

£

Sculpture costs

56,000

Social media communication & website design

14,784

Insurance

714

Sundry costs

1,027

72,525

Share of governance costs (see note 5)

1,200

73,725

# DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

### 5 Support costs

|   | Support costs | Governance costs | 2022  | Support costs | Governance costs |
|---|---------------|------------------|-------|---------------|------------------|
|   | £             | £                | £     | £             | £                |
| Auditors' remuneration for non audit work | -             | 1,200            | 1,200 | -             | -                |
|   | -             | 1,200            | 1,200 | -             | -                |
| Analysed between Charitable activities    | -             | 1,200            | 1,200 | -             | -                |

Auditors' remuneration for non audit work constitutes fees payable in respect of the Charity's Independent Examination.

### 6 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

### 7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

|       | 2022<br>Number |
|-------|----------------|
| Total | -              |

### 8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

|                              | 2022<br>£ |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Trade creditors              | 56,071    |
| Accruals and deferred income | 1,200     |
|                              | 57,271    |

### 9 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year ( - none).

## DAME VERA LYNN MEMORIAL STATUE - CHARITY

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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|-----------|---|----------------|
| <b>10</b> | <b>Cash generated from operations</b>               | <b>2022</b>    |
|           |   | <b>£</b>       |
|           | Surplus for the year                                | 492,994        |
|           | Movements in working capital:                       |                |
|           | Increase in creditors                               | 57,271         |
|           | <b>Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations</b> | <b>550,265</b> |
| <b>11</b> | <b>Analysis of changes in net funds/(debt)</b>      |                |
|           | The charity had no debt during the year.            |                |

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