

COVERHAM CHURCH

HOLY TRINITY

Report and Financial Statements Year ended 31 March 2023

FRIENDS OF COVERHAM CHURCH
CHARITY NO. 1197585

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, COVERHAM LANE, LEYBURN, DL8 4RN, UNITED KINGDOM
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Legal and administrative information:

Trustees

Colin S Bailey
Harriet Corner
Jo Harrison-Topham
Linda Dent

Independent Examiner

Frank Fletcher FCA

Bankers

Barclays Bank, High Row, Darlington

Charity Trustees Annual Report for the Financial Year ended 31 March 2023

Status:

Friends of Coverham Church was registered as a charity for tax purposes in line with Paragraph 1 of Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and status took effect from 19 January 2022. For tax purposes, Friends of Coverham Church is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) under the number 1197585.

Mr Colin Bailey is the charity's authorised official.

As of 19 January 2022, under the charity registration number assets of £500 plus £16,690.91 cash at bank were the opening balance for the CIO.

Objectives:

For the benefit of the public, to conserve, preserve, repair, and improve the fabric, fittings, furnishings of the historic Holy Trinity Church and churchyard at Coverham, in Coverdale (near Middleham), North Yorkshire, UK.

Reserves Policy:

The revenue reserves, shown as funds on the balance sheet, consist mainly of cash held at bank. These are equivalent to expenditure for more than a full year and are therefore considered to be more than satisfactory.

Risk management:

The charity trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, particularly those relating to its operations and finances, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to those risks.

Independent Examiner

Mr Frank Fletcher FCA

Report to Friends of Coverham Church:

Launching a new website in 2023 has enabled FCC to reach a wider audience and keep in touch with the community. News, services, events, and stories can be shared via the Journals that are being produced on a regular basis. Made possible by kind donations and support there has been fencing and tree work in the churchyard plus three new galvanised metal handmade benches installed. Donations have also enabled the purchase of a much-needed new lawnmower for our gardener. A new notice board has been made and placed on the roadside by a local joiner.

Moving forward and listening to local requests, future projects include a compost toilet and restoration of the lychgate as well as the continuous upkeep of the Church.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner:

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, with the independent examiner reviewing these on an annual basis.

Independent Examiner's Report:

My examination was carried out in accordance with the directions from the Friends of Coverham Church trustees, this includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanations from the trustees.

The Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Receipts	March 2023	March 2022
Donations to Bank	£2205.00	£2465.00
Proceeds from Plant Fair		£3000.00
Sundry Donations	£200.00	£305.00
PayPal receipts	£0.01	
TOTAL Receipts	£2405.01	£5770.00
Payments		
Various Tree Works	£1488.00	£1608.00
Tree Risk Assessment		£390.00
Green Bin Licence		£42.00
Grass Cutting		£50.00
Web-site Design	£2784.00	
TOTAL Payments	£4272.00	£2090.00
TOTAL Funds	£20,345.92	£20,030.91

No other monetary assets, investment assets, assets retained for the charity's own use, or liabilities.

Declaration:

The Statement of Financial Activities for the year and the Balance Sheet as at: 31 March 2023 are as approved by the Trustees.

Signature:



Date: 6th December 2023

C S Bailey, Authorised Official / Trustee

FRIENDS of COVERHAM CHURCH

RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS ACCCOUNT for the period 26th NOVEMBER 2018 to 31st MARCH 2019

	£		£
Donation from G. Forrest Funeral	349.72	Printing expenses	157.00
Donations direct into bank	1,180.00	Stationery design	280.00
		Postage and envelopes	78.64
Other sundry donations	1,300.00	Grass cutting	50.00
		Bank balance at 31st March 2019 carried forward	2,264.08

£ 2,829.72
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I have examined the books of account and confirm the above Receipts and Payments Account is in accordance with the books, and the explanations I have received.



F D Fletcher FCA 7th August 2023

FRIENDS of COVERHAM CHURCH

RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS ACCCOUNT for the year ended 31st MARCH 2020

	£		£
Bank balance brought forward	2,264.08	Miscellaneous tree work	1,150.00
Donations direct into bank	3,000.00	Walling	1,245.00
American deposit into bank	534.44		
Other sundry donations	5,290.00		
Proceeds of open garden	1,270.00		
Proceeds of Carlton Quiz night	1,045.72	Hall hire	40.00
Jack Brunton grant	2,000.00	Bank balance at 31st March 2020 carried forward	12,969.24
	£ 15,404.24		£ 15,404.24
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FRIENDS of COVERHAM CHURCH

RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS ACCCOUNT for the year ended 31st MARCH 2021

	£		£
Bank balance brought forward	12,969.24	Fencing work	1,567.20
Donations direct into bank	2,580.00	Grass cutting	100.00
American deposit into bank	208.87		
Other sundry donations	170.00		

Bank balance at 31st March 2021 carried forward 14,260.91

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FRIENDS of COVERHAM CHURCH

RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS ACCCOUNT for the year ended 31st MARCH 2022

	£		£
Bank balance brought forward	14,260.91	Tree risk assessment	390.00
Donations direct into bank	2,465.00	Remove ash tree and other tree work	1,608.00
Proceeds of food sales from plant fair	3,000.00	Green bin licence	42.00
Other sundry donations	305.00	Grass cutting	50.00
		Bank balance at 31st March 2022 carried forward	17,940.91

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F D Fletcher FCA 7th August 2023

FRIENDS of COVERHAM CHURCH

RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS ACCCOUNT for the year ended 31st MARCH 2023

	£		£
Bank balance brought forward	17,940.91	Various tree works	1,488.00
Donations direct into bank	2,205.00		
Pay Pal receipt	0.01	Web-site design	2,784.60
Other sundry donations	200.00		
		Bank balance at 31st March 2023 carried forward	16,073.32

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F D Fletcher FCA 31st October 2023