

Annual Report for THE FRIENDS OF THE HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. MARY'S LANGLEY  
Charity Number: 1202549

Registered address: 7, Heath Roa, Langley, Maidstone, Kent ME17 3LH

Trustees: Revd. Peter Callway; Mrs Maria Mackelden; Dr. Stephen Christmas

### **Summary of objectives and management**

The Friends is established to preserve and protect the Parish Church of St. Mary's Langley in the Diocese of Canterbury (hereinafter called "the Church") as a place of Christian worship by promoting the restoration, conservation, repair, maintenance, improvement and beautification of the fabric of the Church building and of the monuments, fittings, stained glass, furniture, ornaments, and chattels in the Church and the Churchyard belonging to the Church.

- a. In furtherance of the said objects but not otherwise the Friends may:
  - i. Arrange and provide for or join in arranging and providing for the holding of exhibitions, meetings, lectures, classes and work groups.
  - ii. Collect and disseminate information on all matters affecting the objects.
  - iii. Cause to be written and printed or otherwise reproduced and circulated, gratuitously, or otherwise, such papers, books, periodicals, pamphlets or other documentation or films or recorded or electronic media (whether audio or visual or both) as shall further the objects.
  - iv. Raise funds by any lawful means and through any lawful activity and invite and receive contributions from any person or persons whatsoever by way of subscriptions and otherwise PROVIDED THAT the Friends shall not undertake permanent commercial trading activities in raising funds for the objects.
  - v. Make grants of money and gifts of other property and render any other assistance to the clergy, Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council of the Parish of Otham with Langley or their successors in law exclusively for the purpose of the said objects.
  - vi. Invest the monies of the Friends not immediately required for the said objects in or upon such investments, securities or property as may be thought fit, subject nevertheless to such conditions (if any) as may for the time being be imposed or required by law.

### **Membership**

- b. Membership of the Friends shall be open to all who are interested in furthering the work of the Friends and who have paid the annual subscription as laid down from time to time by the Trustees established under Clause 5 below.
- c. Honorary members may be appointed at the discretion of the Trustees. Honorary members shall not be entitled to vote.
- d. Every member over the age of 18 years shall have one vote.
- e. The Trustees shall have the right:
  - i. To approve or reject applications for membership, and
  - ii. For good and sufficient reason to terminate the membership of any person PROVIDED THAT the member concerned shall have the right to be heard by the Trustees before a final decision is made.

### **The year in summary – chairman's report**

Welcome to everyone - thanks for attending our first Friends AGM.

From our last church building Quinquennial inspection there were several urgent jobs needed to be done such as gutters and downpipes. General repairs are, of course, not cheap.

In an attempt to help with the maintenance of St Mary's church building and churchyard about 18 months ago a small group of us decided to try and set up a 'Friends' charity modelled on other Friends groups in the area like Otham and Hollingbourne.

We printed a couple of thousand leaflets inviting people to become Friends and either make a commitment to donate financially or time wise to do jobs around the church.

These were delivered to every household in Langley and from that we received commitments from 15 people and were able to apply to the Charities commission for charitable status which was granted in March 2023.

This is, as I've already said, our first AGM and during this first year we've run 2 fundraising events, an Organ concert and a murder mystery event. We have 2 other events planned for this year which we will cover as another agenda item.

Thank you once again for attending tonight - please do tell your neighbours and friends about the Friends and our events.



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

THE FRIENDS OF THE HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST.  
MARY'S LANGLEY

No (if any)

1202549

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 4/1/2023	To	Period end date 3/31/2024
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### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	829	-	-	829	-
Fund raising	284	-	-	284	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	1,113	-	-	1,113	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	1,113	-	-	1,113	-
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Refreshments	96	-	-	96	-
Advertising & communication	258	-	-	258	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	354	-	-	354	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	354	-	-	354	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	759	-	-	759	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	759	-	-	759	-

## 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	NatWest bank	759	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	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)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	