



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/1/2023 Period start date To 31/12/2023 Period end date

Charity name: Cottenham Charities

Charity registration number: 200586

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The charity owns and manages seven Almshouses and Land for Allotment use in the Parish of Cottenham, Cambridgeshire.</p> <p>To provide Almshouse accommodation to those on low income in the Parish of Cottenham.</p> <p>Relief in need to individual persons and apprentices residing in the Parish of Cottenham</p>
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	<p>Maintenance and provision of the Almshouses for accommodation. Grants to inhabitants of the Parish on low income by means of Christmas Vouchers and other grants as needed for Apprentices and Relief in Need.</p> <p>Benefit from the charity is available to anyone in the Parish, or connected with the Parish, who can demonstrate they are necessitous according to the Charity Scheme approved by the Charity Commission.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The trustees have full regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.</p> <p>The application of income is restricted as stated in the Governing Document sealed 11th February 1970.</p>

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	All trustees are volunteers
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	<p>The charity provides seven self-contained dwellings for local people and these have been fully occupied throughout 2023. The dwellings are regularly maintained and every effort is made to provide good quality accommodation.</p> <p>A total of £8,748 was gifted by the charity to those in need who live in the Parish.</p> <p><u>John Moreton Almshouse Charity</u> Small charitable gifts were given to residents of the Parish as needed.</p> <p>£10,000 was added to the Emergency Repair Fund invested in a COIF Charities Accumulation Fund The debt to the John Moreton Endowment fund was reduced to £84,000.</p> <p><u>Cottenham United Charities</u> Cash grants were made to 106 parishioners on low income at Christmas. This was in conjunction with the Fitzwilliam Charity which contributed to the awards.</p>

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	The charity does not need to raise funds by donation due to endowments and other income.
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	The financial position of the charity is stable. The charity achieved a surplus of
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		£10,053 for the year and this has been added to retained reserves brought forward
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held for ongoing maintenance and unforeseen costs relating to the properties. The cash reserves will be held at a level to cover debt repayments and necessary repairs and expenses for one year should there be no income from Weekly Maintenance Contributions. A sum of money is transferred annually into an Emergency Repair Fund invested with a COIF Charities Investment Fund.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Cash balance at year end was £58,450
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	The debt in the John Moreton Endowment Fund is as agreed with the Charity Commission, presently £84,000
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

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	The charity's income is derived from the investments in the endowment funds, Weekly Maintenance Contributions received from Almshouse residents and rental income from the Allotments.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The charity's investment funds are placed in COIF Charity Investment and Deposit accounts.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Severe damage to the Almshouses preventing occupation
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated Charity
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	Nine Trustees composed of the Rector of Cottenham All Saints' Church, three nominated by the Parish Council and five co-optative by resolution of the Trustees.

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	The charity is a member of the Almshouse Association. The charity is a member of the Cambridge & South Cambs Charities Network chaired by the Cambridge Housing Association which meets monthly.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Cottenham Charities
Other name the charity uses	John Moreton Almshouse Charity Cottenham United Charities
Registered charity number	200586
Charity's principal address	21A Corbett Street Cottenham CAMBRIDGE CB24 8QX

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Malcom Dee	Chairman		Trustee Resolution
2	Robert Turner	Secretary		Trustee Resolution
3	Sue Hooks	Treasurer		Trustee Resolution
4	Robert Lee	Trustee	Appointed 8 December 2023	Parish Council
5	David Munns	Trustee		Trustee Resolution
6	Christine Ward	Trustee		Parish Council
7	Beth Price	Trustee	Appointed 5 July 2022	Parish Council
8	Cecilia Tredget	Trustee	Resigned 10 June 2023	Parish Council
9	Martin Graves	Trustee	Appointed 9 December 2022	Trustee Resolution
10	Reverend Lynda Davies	Ex- Officio		Charity Scheme appointee
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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
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
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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)	Malcolm Dee	Robert Turner
Full name(s)	Malcolm Dee	Robert Turner
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	Secretary
Date	29/10/2024	29/10/2024



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Cottenham Charities

200586

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

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					
Allotment Rents	1,666	-	-	1,666	1,718
Weekly Maintenance Contributions	43,288	-	-	43,288	38,842
Investment Income	4,543	-	-	4,543	3,755
Bank Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	50	-	-	50	211
Loan repayments	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	49,547	-	-	49,547	44,526
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	49,547	-	-	49,547	44,526
A3 Payments					
Expenses and Fees	1,922	-	-	1,922	3,504
Renovations	-	-	-	-	-
Repairs and Maintenance	12,538	-	-	12,538	16,963
Bank Charges and Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Utilities	286	-	-	286	419
Charitable Gifts	8,748	-	-	8,748	6,809
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	23,494	-	-	23,494	27,696
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Capital Loan Repayments	6,000	-	-	6,000	6,000
Investment into ER Fund	10,000	-	-	10,000	10,000
Sub total	16,000	-	-	16,000	16,000
Total payments	39,494	-	-	39,494	43,696
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,053	-	-	10,053	830
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	47,497	900	-	48,397	47,566
Cash funds this year end	57,550	900	-	58,450	48,397

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	John Moreton Current	36,256	-	-
	John Moreton CCLA Deposit	19,121	-	-
	United Charity Current	2,172	900	-
	Total cash funds	57,550	900	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	CCLA COIF Income Fund	JM Endowment	-	82,010
	CCLA COIF Income Fund	UC Endowment	-	57,650
	CCLA COIF Accumulation Fund	ER Fund	-	194,457
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	JM Almshouses & Land attached	John Moreton	-	-
	UC 4 acres allotment land	United Charity	-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	JM Endowment	JM Endowment	84,000	01 January 2038

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Malcolm Dee	Malcolm Dee	29/10/2024
Robert Turner	Robert Turner	29/10/2024



Report to the trustees/
members of

Cottenham Charities

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

200586

Set out on pages

attached

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023.

Responsibilities and basis
of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

29.10.24

Name:

Emma Bodsworth

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):

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