

Charity registration number: 202843

Alderman Steevens Charity

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	M Laws, Chairman (resigned 5 March 2024) Mrs S Foxall-Smith J J D McArthur (resigned 5 March 2024) R I Clarke J N G Hawkins Mr Toby Saunders Mr Phillip Bate Leah Tattersall, Chairman
Principal Office	Steevens House 34 Old Market Street Bristol
Solicitors	Ashfords LLP Tower Wharf Cheese Lane Bristol BS2 0JJ
Auditor	R S Porter & Co Limited Chartered Accountants The Old Dairy Ashton Hill Farm Weston Road Failand Bristol BS8 3US
Clerk to the Trustees	Mrs C Ralph 1 The Mill, The Green Wick, North Somerset BS30 5RA
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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

Almshouses.

The main purpose of the charity is to provide Almshouses for 'poor persons of good character' resident in Bristol.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity of Alderman Steevens was founded by a will dated 06th April 1679. Various schemes have been approved by Charity Commissioners, the latest being sealed on 3rd November 1959 and later amended on 18th November 1998 and again in 2001.

The persons legally responsible for the control and management of the charity are the trustees.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees are appointed in accordance with the provisions of the governing scheme. Details of the trustees, who all serve throughout the year except where indicated are set out on page 1.

Organisational structure

The trustees meet at least two times a year; they make all the policy decisions.

The trustees employ a clerk to undertake the routine administration of the charity.

The charity has a permanent endowment consisting of the Almshouses. Further properties have or will be purchased to provide additional accommodation.

Major risks and management of those risks

Risk Management

Risk Management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The trustees will consider and assess the major risks to which the charity may be exposed and will satisfy themselves that appropriate measures are in place to deal with them should they occur. Annual status reports with regards to all aspects of the charity's properties are commissioned and acted upon to minimise risk.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 5 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mathew Laws
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 5 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mathew Laws
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Alderman Steevens Charity

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 5 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination 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, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

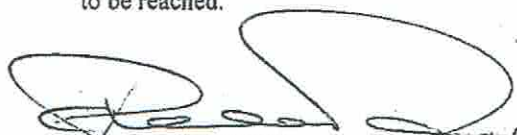
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr Christopher Keates-Porter
Chartered Accountants
Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales

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5 March 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:			
Investment income	2	20,158	20,158
Other income		11,208	11,208
Total income		31,366	31,366
Expenditure on:			
Other expenditure		(16,337)	(16,337)
Total expenditure		(16,337)	(16,337)
Net movement in funds		15,029	15,029
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		2,118,847	2,118,847
Total funds carried forward	10	2,133,876	2,133,876
		Unrestricted funds £	Total 2022 £
Income and Endowments from:			
Investment income	2	(17,976)	(17,976)
Other income		8,811	8,811
Total income		(9,165)	(9,165)
Expenditure on:			
Other expenditure		(31,475)	(31,475)
Total expenditure		(31,475)	(31,475)
Net movement in funds		(40,640)	(40,640)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		2,159,487	2,159,487
Total funds carried forward	10	2,118,847	2,118,847

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	1,540,000	1,940,000
Investments	7	173,527	168,369
		<u>2,113,527</u>	<u>2,108,369</u>
Current assets			
Investments	8	6,317	6,317
Cash at bank and in hand		15,109	5,238
		21,426	11,555
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,077)	(1,077)
Net current assets		<u>20,349</u>	<u>10,478</u>
Net assets		<u>2,133,876</u>	<u>2,118,847</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>2,133,876</u>	<u>2,118,847</u>
Total funds	10	<u>2,133,876</u>	<u>2,118,847</u>

The financial statements on pages 5 to 13 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 5 March 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Mathew Laws

Mathew Laws
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Alderman Steevens Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Other expenditure

Freehold housing properties

The land on which the Almshouses stand is vested in the Official Custodian of Charities. There are no records of the original cost of the Almshouses; the housing properties cost relates to subsequent improvements.

The Almshouses are included in the accounts at their revalued amount, the surplus on revaluation being credited to the permanent Endowment Fund.

Windsor Grove, Bruce Road, Brangwyn Grove and Rowlandson Gardens are also shown at their revalued amount.

The trustees believe that both the current open market value and estimated residual value of housing property is greater than the value at which it is carried in the accounts and therefore do not believe that any depreciation charge is necessary.

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Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £0.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the year end.

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value / market value.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

2 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds		
	General	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Other investment income	20,158	20,158	(17,976)

3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds		
	General	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Rental income	11,208	11,208	8,811

4 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

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5 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 January 2023	1,940,000	1,940,000
At 31 December 2023	1,940,000	1,940,000
Depreciation		
At 31 December 2023	-	-
Net book value		
At 31 December 2023	1,940,000	1,940,000
At 31 December 2022	1,940,000	1,940,000

Revaluation

The fair value of the company's Buildings was revalued on 16 September 2020 by Burston Cook, an independent valuer.

The revaluation in 2023 was £Nil (The value in 2022- £Nil).

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	Almshouses	Other Properties	Total
	£	£	£
Cost of Improvements (during 1958-59)	20,316	0	20,316
Surplus arising on revaluation - November 1992	114,684	0	114,684
Cost	0	461,830	461,830
Surplus/loss arising on revaluation - July 2009	315,000	(6,830)	308,170
Surplus arising on revaluation - June 2015	370,000	300,000	670,000
Surplus arising on revaluation - Sep 2020	180,000	185,000	365,000
Carrying value at 31st December 2023	1,000,000	940,000	1,940,000

Due to the age of the property there are no records of the original cost of the Almshouses.

7 Fixed asset investments

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other investments	<u>173,527</u>	<u>168,369</u>

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Other investments

	Unlisted investments £	Total £
Cost or Valuation		
At 1 January 2023	168,369	168,369
Revaluation	20,158	20,158
Disposals	(15,000)	(15,000)
At 31 December 2023	<u>173,527</u>	<u>173,527</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2023	<u>173,527</u>	<u>173,527</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>168,369</u>	<u>168,369</u>

8 Current asset investments

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash deposits	<u>6,317</u>	<u>6,317</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals	<u>1,077</u>	<u>1,077</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

10 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
Unrestricted funds				
General	1,036,304	31,366	(16,337)	1,051,333
Designated	<u>1,082,543</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,082,543</u>
Total funds	<u>2,118,847</u>	<u>31,366</u>	<u>(16,337)</u>	<u>2,133,876</u>
	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted funds				
General	1,076,944	(9,165)	(31,475)	1,036,304
Designated	<u>1,082,543</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,082,543</u>
Total funds	<u>2,159,487</u>	<u>(9,165)</u>	<u>(31,475)</u>	<u>2,118,847</u>

Permanant Endowment Fund

This is stated as being equivalent to the value at which the Almshouses are carried in the financial statements.

Designated Funds: Almshouses

This is stated as being equivalent to the value at which the Almshouses are carried in the financial statements.

Designated Funds: Repairs

The Trustees decided to designate part of the accumulated income surplus as reserve for any exceptional repair costs that might be incurred in respect of all properties.

Value Added Tax

The charity is not registered for VAT; in these financial statements expenditure is shown inclusive of VAT where applicable.