

Charity registration number: 203159

The Gloucestershire Society

**Annual report and financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

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Administrative information

Registered charity number: 203159

President

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Hon Secretary and treasurer

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Accountants

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Independent examiner

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Trustees' report

For the year ended 31 December 2020

Structure, governance and management

The Gloucestershire Society is an unincorporated Registered Charity, which is governed by its Trust Deed.

The charity is administered by its committee of trustee members, who are appointed in accordance with the Trust Deed. The committee holds at least two ordinary meetings each year to discuss key matters and ensure the smooth running of the charity.

Objectives and activities

The objectives of the charity is to provide relief from povety for people resident in the Gloucestershire area who are in need, in hardship or distress. The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Summary of main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity continued to provide a vital service to its user groups during the year.

The Society had a successful appeal during the year led by our president Richard Boggis-Rolfe, raising funds totalling £150,841. We were pleased to carry on the important work of distributing small grants to people in need in the range between £10 and £250 each. A higher grant level was set this year to help the charity distribute the additional donations recieved this year.

Reserves policy

The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level to meet approximoately 9 months' normal expenditure levels. This is considered to provide sufficient funds to continue to provide grants to beneficiaries in the event of a drop in income.

Financial review

The detailed receipts and payments accounts are included on page 3. As shown in the accounts, the principle sources of funds were donations received during the year. The key areas of expenditure included individual grants and administration costs.

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Michael Strong (Oct 27, 2021, 9:06am).....

Michael Strong
Trustee

Dated: 27 Oct 2021

Receipts and payments account and statements of assets and liabilities
For the year ended 31 December 2020

	2020			2019
	£	£	£	£
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted
Receipts				
Donations, legacies and other similar receipts				
Donations	85,936	60,475	146,411	65,791
Gift aid	4,420	-	4,420	2,882
Investment Income Receipts				
Deposit Interest	10	-	10	21
Total receipts	90,366	60,475	150,841	68,694
Payments				
Grants Paid				
Individual grants	27,083	60,475	87,558	40,889
Management and administration				
Independent examination	750	-	750	750
Administrator costs	5,400	-	5,400	4,050
Other administration costs	2,237	-	2,237	2,531
Total payments	35,470	60,475	95,945	48,220
Net movement of fund	54,896	-	54,896	20,474
Cash funds				
Cash balances at 1 January 2020	65,118	-	65,118	44,644
Cash balances at 31 December 2020	120,014	-	120,014	65,118

Related party transactions

The administrator costs of £5,400 (2019: £4,050) were paid to Saffery Champness LLP, whom a partner is a trustee of the charity.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Michael Strong

Michael Strong (Oct 27, 2021, 9:06am)
Michael Strong

Trustee

Dated: 27 Oct 2021

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Gloucestershire Society
For the year ended 31 December 2020**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on page 3.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 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 Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jacob Bray

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"Jacob Bray (Oct 27, 2021, 9:19am)"
Jacob Bray, FCA

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Dated: 27 Oct 2021