

ALDGATE FREEDOM FOUNDATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS:	St. Botolph-without-Aldgate Aldgate London EC3N 1AB
CHARITY NUMBER:	207046
TRUSTEES:	H.L.M. Jones Mrs C. Jones Revd L. Jorgensen I. Mulcahey Mrs D T Regis Ms P Seymour A Whibley
PRINCIPAL OFFICERS:	D. Bigsby, Clerk to the Trustees M.A. Sonn, Financial Officer
INVESTMENT MANAGERS:	CCLA Investment Management Limited Senator House 85 Queen Victoria Street London EC4V 4ET  BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited 12 Throgmorton Avenue London EC2N 2DL
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:	Jeremy Tyrrell, FCA BA (Hons) RPG Crouch Chapman LLP Chartered Accountants 14-16 Dowgate Hill London EC4R 2SU
BANKERS:	CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ

# ALDGATE FREEDOM FOUNDATION

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's trust deeds, the Charities Act 2011 and 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 published on 16 July 2014.

The Trustees confirm that the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit has been considered in relation to the aims of the charity. The report sets out these aims and objectives and describes how they have been met in the year. In particular, the Charity has provided significant relief from poverty by supporting individuals and organisations in the Freedom part of the Parish of St Botolph Aldgate and its vicinity.

## STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### Trustees' Statement of Responsibility in Relation to the Account

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

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales 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 judgments 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 Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They 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.

### Constitution

The Foundation is a registered charity, number 207046, with a principal scheme dated 23rd February 1891, as modified by the Charity Commission in 1936, 1969, 1971, 1979 and 2011.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

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## ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT

### Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year are listed on page 1 Reference and Administrative Information.

The Revd. L Jorgensen is ex-officio as Rector of St. Botolph-without-Aldgate. Mr A Whibley and Ms P Seymour are also ex-officio as Churchwarden's of St. Botolph-without-Aldgate. All other Trustees are appointed for four years.

### Principal Officers

Clerk to the Trustees:	Dawn Bigsby
Financial Officer:	Michael Sonn

## CHARITY OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES AND AREA OF BENEFIT

The area of benefit means the Freedom part of the Parish of St Botolph Aldgate and the vicinity thereof provided that this does not extend beyond the boundaries of the Portsoken Ward of the City of London (as determined from time to time).

The objects of the charity are, for the public benefit:

1. The relief of poverty in any way the trustees see fit, including the provision of financial assistance to individuals or organisations (including charities) who are resident, employed or found in the area of benefit.
2. To contribute to the maintaining in order and security of the churchyard adjoining the parish church of St. Botolph-without-Aldgate so long as it remains an open space for the use of the public.

The Trustees meet regularly during the year and are the volunteers who sustain the activities of the Charity.

The Trustees continue working to develop the work of the Charity and support for the needy in the area of benefit.

## ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trustees have continued to make grants to individuals living in poverty. They have also made grants to support the work of St. Botolph's-without-Aldgate and activities for senior citizens in the area of benefit.

## RESERVES

The charity currently incurs charitable expenditure in excess of its annual income and as a result holds unrestricted funds in excess of its annual expenditure to facilitate this. The Trustees have agreed a policy to retain such free reserves as is prudent to allow for future eventualities. This policy is reviewed on a regular basis. At the year end, free reserves amounted to £664,331 (2020: £655,837).

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

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### INVESTMENT POLICY

The Endowment Fund represents the original bequests together with the realised and unrealised gains or losses arising from the investment assets. Investment assets are held in common investment funds managed by CCLA Investment Management Limited (CCLA) and BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited.

The investment strategy is set within an overall policy that states that the Endowment Fund is to be invested in low and medium risk investments with the aim being to preserve the real value of the Endowment Fund. The selected funds ensure a spread of risk, aim to maintain the long-term value of the endowment and provide income for the needs of grant making. The Trustees pay due regard to the ethical investment policies of the fund managers. The performance, both in terms of income and growth, has been much in line with Trustees' expectations.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW AND RESERVES POLICY

In 2021 net expenditure amounted to £30,163 (2020: expenditure £135,511) before gains/(losses) on investments. The overall surplus for 2021 was £242,174 (2020 a deficit of £63,867).

### RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees are satisfied with the procedures that have been established to review the risks associated with the maintenance of the endowment and grant giving, and with the steps taken to mitigate exposure to them.

The main form of financial risk faced by the Charity is that of volatility in equity markets and investment markets due to wider economic conditions, the attitude of investors to investment risks and changes in sentiment concerning equities and within particular sectors or sub-sectors.

### PLANS AND FUTURE PERIODS

The Charity continues its work within the geographical area set out in the Objects

H L M Jones  
Chairman



25.04.2022

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF ALDGATE FREEDOM FOUNDATION

I report on the accounts of the Aldgate Freedom Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 6 to 14.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under Section 154 of that Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

#### Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the financial statements under section 145 of the Act;
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- 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. The examination 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 statement below.

#### 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; or
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records; 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.



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Date: 26/04/22

RPG CROUCH CHAPMAN LLP  
Chartered Accountants

# ALDGATE FREEDOM FOUNDATION

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Permanent Endowment £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b>Income</b>					
Investment income		-	49,682	49,682	48,748
Interest		-	38	38	319
Donations		-	-	-	134
		<u>-</u>	<u>49,720</u>	<u>49,720</u>	<u>49,201</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Cost of Raising Funds					
Investment property costs	3	-	-	-	102,400
Charitable expenditure:					
Grants	4	-	32,253	32,253	40,393
Grantees	4	-	33,750	33,750	26,700
Administration costs	5	-	13,880	13,880	15,219
		<u>-</u>	<u>79,883</u>	<u>79,883</u>	<u>184,712</u>
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>79,883</u>	<u>79,883</u>	<u>184,712</u>
<b>Net (Expenditure)/Income</b>		-	(30,163)	(30,163)	(135,511)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Loss on sale of Investment Property	6	-	-	-	(25,000)
Realised (Loss)/Profit on sale of investments	7	-	-	-	(4,553)
Unrealised gains/(losses) on Investment assets	7	233,680	38,657	272,336	101,197
		<u>233,680</u>	<u>38,657</u>	<u>272,336</u>	<u>101,197</u>
<b>Net Movement In Funds</b>		<u>233,680</u>	<u>8,494</u>	<u>242,174</u>	<u>(63,867)</u>
<b>Reconciliation of Funds</b>					
Funds brought forward 01.01.2021		1,676,067	655,837	2,331,904	2,395,771
		<u>1,676,067</u>	<u>655,837</u>	<u>2,331,904</u>	<u>2,395,771</u>
<b>Total Funds carried forward 31.12.2021</b>		<u>1,909,747</u>	<u>664,331</u>	<u>2,574,078</u>	<u>2,331,904</u>

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

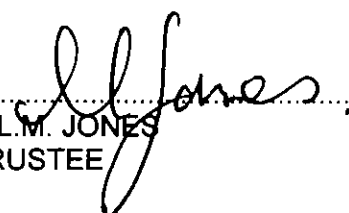


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## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Managed investments	7		2,169,946		1,897,610
			<u>2,169,946</u>		<u>1,897,610</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank		402,992		435,854	
Sundry debtors	8	2,790		1,290	
			<u>405,782</u>	<u>437,144</u>	
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Sundry creditors	9	(1,650)		(2,850)	
			<u>404,132</u>	<u>434,294</u>	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
			<u>2,574,078</u>	<u>2,331,904</u>	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
			<u>2,574,078</u>	<u>2,331,904</u>	
<b>PERMANENT ENDOWMENT</b>					
Capital account	11		1,909,747		1,676,069
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>					
Accumulated income fund	11		664,331		655,835
			<u>664,331</u>	<u>655,835</u>	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			<u>2,574,078</u>	<u>2,331,904</u>	

Approved by the Trustees on  
and signed on their behalf by

  
H.L.M. JONES )  
TRUSTEE )

25.04.2022

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a “true and fair” view and have therefore departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) as stated above, rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Foundation constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102 and the reporting currency is GBP. All amounts have been rounded to the nearest £.

Permanent Endowment

The Permanent Endowment fund comprises the original capital fund, and gains thereto, established to provide income for grant payments in accordance with the objectives of the Foundation. The capital cannot be converted into income. The Fund is represented by the capital investments included in fixed assets. The original endowment and realised gains and unrealised gains are credited to the capital account.

Unrestricted Income Fund

The income of the Foundation is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objects of the Foundation. Accumulated income is represented by the accumulated income investments in fixed assets and the net current assets of the Foundation. Undistributed income and realised and unrealised gains are included in the accumulated income account.

Investments

**Fixed asset investments:**

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market bid price. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

**Realised Gains and Losses:**

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### Incoming Resources

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations are recognised when the Trust has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

### Interest receivable

Interest received on funds held on deposit and solicitors is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

### Grants Payable

Grants are included in the financial statements in the year in which they are agreed.

### Resources Expended

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Administration costs have not been split between activities since the Trustees do not consider attributing costs to particular activities would be a cost effective exercise.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

### Cash Flow Statement

The financial statements do not include a cash flow statement because the charity, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirements to prepare such a statement under the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

### Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation.

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Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Financial instruments

Apart from its investments, the charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

2. JUDGMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees may be required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumption are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in a period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

At the year end date the Trustees had not identified any relevant estimates for which assumptions might be needed in the financial statements.

3. INVESTMENT PROPERTY COSTS

	2021 £	2020 £
Sale Fees	-	12,600
Insurance premium	-	250
Security & Legal Fees	-	86,909
Utility costs	-	2,641
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	-	102,400
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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4. GRANTS AWARDED	2021 £	2020 £
St. Botolph's Churchyard Maintenance	1,500	1,500
St. Botolph's Maintenance & Development	8,780	18,500
St. Botolph's Rectors Discretionary Fund	750	750
Portsoken Ward Club for Three Score Club	6,000	5,500
Wingate Golden Oldies	6,000	5,500
Chiropody Clinic	3,000	3,500
Relief in Need grants	6,223	5,143
	<u>32,253</u>	<u>40,393</u>
Grantees, including Christmas Bonus	<u>33,750</u>	<u>26,700</u>

5. ADMINISTRATION COSTS	2021 £	2020 £
Clerking and administration	12,000	12,000
Bank Charges	96	108
Other	164	141
Independent Examination	1,620	2,970
	<u>13,880</u>	<u>15,219</u>

There was no remuneration paid to the Trustees, reimbursed expenses totaled £Nil (2020: Nil). There were no employees in the year.

## 6. FREEHOLD INVESTMENT PROPERTY

The sale of the property completed on 16 June 2020 at a revised market price of £525,000

	2021 £	2020 £
Valuation at 1 January 2020	-	550,000
Disposal	-	(550,000)
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### 7. INVESTMENTS

	Accumulated Income		Capital		
	COIF	CIF	COIF	CIF	BRMLIM
	Income	Shr	Income	Shr	Charishare
	£	£	£	£	£
Market Value at 1 January 2021	-	221,539	1,526,314	149,757	1,897,610
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Unrealised gains /(losses)	-	38,657	217,462	16,217	272,336
Market Value at 31 December 2021	-	260,196	1,743,776	165,974	2,169,946
Historic Cost at 1 January 2021	-	88,268	117,701	49,973	255,942
Historic Cost at 31 December 2021	-	88,268	117,701	49,973	255,942

All investments are carried at their fair value. Holdings in common investment funds, unit trusts and open-ended investment companies are at the bid price. Asset sales and purchases are recognized at the date of trade at cost (that is their transaction value).

### 8. SUNDRY DEBTORS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Investment Income	1,290	1,290
Other debtors	1,500	-
	<u>2,790</u>	<u>1,290</u>

### 9. SUNDRY CREDITORS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other creditors	-	1,200
Independent Examination	1,650	1,650
	<u>1,650</u>	<u>2,850</u>

### 10. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Financial assets measured at fair value through SOFA	<u>2,169,946</u>	<u>1,897,610</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value though SOFA comprise fixed asset investments.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Accounts & Income Fund £	Permanent Endowment Capital Funds £	Total Funds £
Fund balances at 31 December 2021 are represented by:			
Managed investments	260,199	1,909,747	2,169,946
Current assets	405,782	-	405,782
Current liabilities	(1,650)	-	(1,650)
	<u>664,331</u>	<u>1,909,747</u>	<u>2,574,078</u>

## ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS – PRIOR YEAR

Fund balances at 31 December 2020  
are represented by:

Managed investments	221,541	1,676,069	1,897,610
Current assets	437,144	-	437,144
Current liabilities	(2,850)	-	(2,850)
	<u>655,835</u>	<u>1,676,069</u>	<u>2,331,904</u>

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS  
-CURRENT YEAR

	Brought Forward 2021 £	Income 2021 £	Expenditure 2021 £	Transfers 2021 £	Gains/ (Losses) 2021 £	Carried Forward 2021
Unrestricted Funds	655,837	49,720	(79,883)	-	38,657	664,331
Permanent Endowment	1,676,067	-	-	-	233,680	1,909,747
	<u>2,331,904</u>	<u>49,201</u>	<u>(79,883)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>272,337</u>	<u>2,574,078</u>

MOVEMENT IN FUNDS  
-PRIOR YEAR

	Brought Forward 2020 £	Income 2020 £	Expenditure 2020 £	Transfers 2020 £	Gains/ (Losses) 2020 £	Carried Forward 2020
Unrestricted Funds	251,098	49,201	(184,712)	550,000	(9,750)	655,837
Permanent Endowment	2,144,673	-	-	(550,000)	81,394	1,676,067
	<u>2,395,771</u>	<u>49,201</u>	<u>(184,712)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,644</u>	<u>2,331,904</u>

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13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Rector, and the Church Wardens are related parties in respect of the three grants in 2021 totaling £11,030 (2020: £20,750) to funds and activities administered by the St. Botolph-without-Aldgate PCC.

Mr H.L.M. Jones is a related party in respect of the grants to the Three Score Club and the Wingate Golden Oldies as a result of his role as an officer assisting in the organisation of activities for the members of the clubs. During the year, H.L.M. Jones paid £2,243 (2020: Nil) for the funeral of a beneficiary, for which he was refunded by the charity.