

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

England & Wales · Charity number 210254

Details

Other names	THE COMMUNITY OF THE NURSING SISTERS OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE, CSJD
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1962-09-25
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: PROVISION FOR SICK NURSING AND MIDWIFERY AMONG THE POOR, IN HOSPITALS AND PRIVATE FAMILIES. TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT OF NURSES AND MIDWIVES. OTHER WORKS OF CHARITY NOT TAKING PRECEDENCE OVER VOCATION OF NURSING.

Activities: The community seeks to establish a centre of worship and prayer within the ethos of healing, wholeness and reconciliation, we exercise a ministry of hospitality for people to come for times of rest, retreat and renewal and to share in our life and worship. We offer a ministry of spiritual accompaniment and pastoral care, and seek to respond to the needs of the poor and marginalized.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NATIONAL
- Birmingham City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£129,342	£72,633	-	-
2024-03-31	£120,644	£77,278	-	-
2023-03-31	£117,352	£43,182	-	-
2022-03-31	£114,511	£88,645	-	-
2021-03-31	£109,432	£80,374	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MOTHER CHRISTINE	Chair	
Br. Thomas Gregory Quin		2022-04-01
SISTER IVY		
SISTER MARGARET ANGELA		
SISTER SHIRLEY		

Linked charities

- THE IN MEMORIAM TRUST (210254-1)

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

England & Wales - Charity number 210254

Accounts

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025
FOR
THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

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THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2019).

Introduction

Since our Foundation in 1848, the ethos of the Community has always been based in health, healing, wholeness, reconciliation and pastoral care, expressed in nursing and midwifery, pastoral care, and care of the marginalised.

Any income from employment was paid to the Community to support our ministry and provide living expenses for the Sisters. This continued for many years until the Sisters retired from paid employment.

Our ministry continues with the same ethos expressed now in the ministry of hospitality, welcoming people in their need, for spiritual accompaniment and pastoral care. Income from these ministries also goes into the Community's funds.

Its working name is CSJD.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The aim of the Community of St. John the Divine is to unite under the threefold Vows of religion, women communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church in communion therewith) who feel called to dedicate their lives to the glory of God by serving the poor, the sick and dying or women in childbirth or to undertake medical, nursing or social work contributing to wholeness and health.

The Community is also desirous of establishing in its houses, centres of worship and prayer in which its members learn and practice true commitment to God and to each other in Community life. Also through its Associates and Friends to draw many men and women into fellowship with its life and work.

Policies adopted to achieve those Objects

The Community of St. John the Divine live under the three-fold Vows of Religious Life, establishing a centre of worship and prayer under the patronage of St. John the Divine Apostle of Love, and together with the Associates of the Community form a network of love, prayer and service.

Within the ethos of healing, wholeness and reconciliation we exercise a ministry of hospitality for people to come for times of rest, retreat and renewal and to share in the life and worship of the Community. We seek to offer a ministry of spiritual accompaniment and pastoral care, and to respond to the needs of the poor and marginalised.

Public benefit

The Trustees have considered their duty set out in the Charities Act to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission, and in their opinion the foregoing report on the achievements and performance demonstrates that they have complied therewith.

Grants, donations and support of missionary work and ministry

Members of the Community attend and support a number of local churches and are involved with certain areas of work being undertaken by the Diocese. Through donations the Community also supports the work of the Church both at home and overseas.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Ministry of the House

The Trustees Report this year seeks to share the continuing challenges we have been facing as a Community, adapting our life and ministry to our limited resources.

Primarily the house here continues to be a house of prayer where we seek to give witness to the Religious Life within the Church of England. Yet at the same time it is important to share our lives with those who visit for many reasons. We hope that for some time yet, we will be able to continue to welcome people for tea, coffee, and a friendly chat, for sharing worship and a meal, for providing space for quiet reflection, and for spiritual accompaniment. It has always felt important to seek to be a help and a safe place when someone is stressed or distressed by circumstances in their lives, to be able to be a place of rest, renewal, and refreshment.

This year from 1st April 2024 to the 31st March 2025 we have had 135 day visitors, including 39 Associates, 74 overnight stays of which 44 were Associates, and Sisters have provided 67 sessions of Spiritual Accompaniment. These numbers do not include visitors who call in for a short visit when they are in the area. The house is closed for the months of January and August each year to enable the Sisters to plan in their holidays and retreat times.

One thing we have been able to continue to support is the local foodbank, Around Again Social Supermarket Charity, based locally in Chelmsley Wood which aims to tackle hunger and poverty in North Solihull. From our charitable giving we also support the Birmingham Hospice, Birmingham's Women's Hospital and Birmingham's Children's Hospital as well as several overseas and national charities and four local churches.

The Community is small and ageing with only four Sisters. In running the house Sister Christine and Sister Margaret Angela have continued in shared leadership, Sister Shirley helps with administration and has continued as our Sister Treasurer and Guest Sister. Sister Ivy takes responsibility for cooking and gardening. Both Ken Jones (who works in the garden two mornings a week) and Vena Thompson (who cooks for us three mornings a week) continue to offer their services as volunteers. We are all very grateful for their help.

We are very aware that it is time to look seriously at the life we lead and to continue to simplify it in ways where we can live the Religious Life with integrity, yet within a life of prayer and begin to make creative preparations for the future both practically and spiritually. Whilst the four Sisters are all Trustees of the Community and have a policy of shared responsibility, we know that we need extra help.

We are very grateful to the Revd. Canon Helen Hingley who is Chaplain to the Community and has been so helpful and supportive during the year, and to the Revd. Elaine King who continues as our second Local Chaplain.

We are grateful to Brother. Thomas Quin, OSB, Abbot of Mucknell Abbey as our Honorary Treasurer and External Trustee.

There are two areas of our Constitution that we are still working on. The first area is considering the updating of the Objects and General Objectives of the Constitution. The second area is about the completion of the life and ministry of the Community which is included in the last chapter of the Constitution.

Brother Stuart, OSB, from Mucknell Abbey has been part of the Visitation Team, visiting us every six months and we have been delighted that The Right Revd. Anne Hollinghurst, who is also now Principal of the Queen's Foundation in Birmingham, has agreed to be our Episcopal Visitor.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Associates

As always, we want to give thanks for our extended family of Associates and all they do in sharing our life and being in contact. Our Associates are now a group of some 51 people, clergy and lay, men and women from all walks of life who desire to have a close link with the Community and share much of its life.

It is now two years since we have been able to hold an annual Associates day because of our limited resources, but we have enjoyed welcoming our Associates when they have been able to visit. This year there have been 39 day visits as well as 44 overnight stays making 83 visits from Associates over the year.

Conclusion

This last year we have much to give thanks for, yet threaded among all that has been joyful and positive has been the awareness that time has passed, and many aspects of change are now needing to be addressed as we begin to discern the future of the Community and our life and ministry here in Marston Green.

As we are awaiting the result of a Planning Application made to Solihull MBC, by our new neighbour, for a very large two storey extension which could impact our ability to offer hospitality, particularly whilst the work is being undertaken, we may find it necessary to close the house to visitors for a period of time.

We trust the journey we are making will help us all to be challenged, give us time to reflect and be willing to change, so that together our life and ministry here can be continued in a way that we can manage and can be shared with others.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Unrestricted incoming resources for the year are £128,494 compared to £119,743 in 2023/24. The major source of income includes total donations of £74,111 compared to £68,883 in 2023/24 and this includes £60,007 of Community members pensions and benefits made over to the Charity to provide for their living expenses. Other major sources of income during the year included £47,884 of income from listed investments.

Unrestricted expenditure has decreased by £4,645 from £76,028 in 2023/24 to £71,383 this year. This was mainly due to the reduction in staff costs as the community no longer have any employees.

Overall there was an unrestricted surplus for the year, after the transfer between funds, of £58,171. The shareholdings showed an unrestricted loss in their value of £67,861 at the year end.

The total unrestricted funds at the year end amounted to £2,302,855 compared to £2,312,545 as at 31st March 2024.

Investment policy

The major part of these reserves is invested with the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England, in its Investment Fund, Fixed Interest Securities Fund, Property Fund and Deposit Fund, with a view to providing a balanced level of income and the potential for long term capital growth.

No targets have been fixed, no ethical restrictions have been applied since the funds are managed in accordance with the policies of the Church of England's Ethical Investment Advisory Group and there are no specific legal powers of restriction.

Reserves policy

Of the total unrestricted funds, £554,160 is represented by Functional Properties and other Fixed Assets used by the Community in the furtherance of its objects. The remaining funds of £1,748,695 represent the operating reserves, available to support the members of the Community both currently and in the future. Due to the reduction in the level of regular income and ever increasing costs the reserves need to be augmented and it is these invested reserves that provide the necessary additional income. The level of reserves required is regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Restricted funds at 31 March 2025 total £566 and Endowment funds £20,597.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The Community is governed by its Chapter and maintains its connection with the Church of England and the Diocese through its "Visitor" (a Bishop of the Anglican Communion elected by The Chapter, and normally the Diocesan Bishop), two local Chaplains (also elected by The Chapter) and the Advisory Council of Relations of Bishops with Religious Communities.

In terms of civil law the Charity is governed by the Constitution and Statutes of the Community of St. John the Divine dated 12th April 1984 and through its Chapter, established thereunder. The Chapter consists of all the Sisters admitted to Life Vows and they, together with any elected individuals are the Trustees. The Community is a Registered Charity (Charity Registration number 210254). All Sisters, during their novitiate, and in advance of their election and all other prospective Trustees, are made aware of the Community's work and structure and the responsibilities of the Trustees and if appropriate they are also introduced to the Community's legal, accounting, investment and property advisors.

Structure and Management

The Trustees are ultimately responsible for the policies, activities and assets of the Charity.

They meet regularly and make all important decisions after seeking advice from their professional and other advisors. The day to day management of the Charity's activities, and the implementation of policies is delegated to appropriate members of the Community or staff.

Risk management

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which the Community is exposed and, where necessary, have put policies and procedures in place to mitigate the exposure to these risks. They have insured against risks that could result in financial loss or liability, and matters relating to Health and Safety are regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Membership of the Community

Those who become members of the Community must be communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church that is in communion therewith). It is important that on-going Formation is given in living the Religious Life and that each member is encouraged to develop professional skills to enhance their ministry.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

210254

Principal address

St John's House
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Trustees

Sister Christine CSJD * (Mary Christine Hoverd) - Joint Community Leader
Sister Margaret Angela CSJD * (Margaret Mary King) - Joint Community Leader
Sister Ivy CSJD * (Ivy Rose Patten)
Sister Shirley CSJD * (Shirley Hart) - Sister Treasurer

Honorary Treasurer (Elected by Invitation)
Brother Thomas Quin OSB

* Custodian Trustees who hold Property on behalf of the Community

Leaders of the Community

Sister Christine CSJD

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

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Solicitors

Messrs. Anthony Collins Solicitors, 134 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES

Accountants

Messrs. Gibbons Mannington & Phipps LLP, 20 Eversley Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN40 1HE

FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES

The management of the In Memoriam Trust Fund (which is registered as a subsidiary charity of the Community) rests with the Chapter. Assets belonging to the In Memoriam Trust Fund is held by the Custodian Trustees.

The Custodian Trustees during the year were:

Sister Christine CSJD (Mary Christine Hoverd)
Sister Margaret Angela CSJD (Margaret Mary King)
Sister Ivy CSJD (Ivy Rose Patten)
Sister Shirley CSJD (Shirley Hart)

The Trustees continue to receive income from the investment with Central Board of Finance and consider from time to time appropriate grants.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 31st October 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Sister Christine CSJD - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Community of St John The Divine

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Community of St John The Divine (the Trust) for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.

David Ashby FCCA ACA

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11th November 2025

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	2025 Total funds £	<i>2024 Total funds £</i>
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies	2	74,111	-	-	74,111	68,883
Charitable activities						
Hospitality		2,129	-	-	2,129	2,006
Other trading activities	3	179	-	-	179	154
Investment income	4	51,370	286	562	52,218	49,263
Other income		705	-	-	705	338
Total		128,494	286	562	129,342	120,644
EXPENDITURE ON						
Raising funds		75	-	-	75	75
Charitable activities						
House	5	57,859	-	-	57,859	64,531
Personal		7,675	-	-	7,675	6,421
Grants and donations		5,774	750	500	7,024	6,251
Total		71,383	750	500	72,633	77,278
Net gains/(losses) on investments		(67,861)	-	(893)	(68,754)	122,569
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)						
Transfers between funds	17	(10,750)	(464)	(831)	(12,045)	165,935
		1,060	(1,060)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(9,690)	(1,524)	(831)	(12,045)	165,935
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		2,312,545	2,090	21,428	2,336,063	2,170,128
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		2,302,855	566	20,597	2,324,018	2,336,063

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

**BALANCE SHEET
31ST MARCH 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	2025 Total funds £	<i>2024 Total funds £</i>
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	12	554,160	-	-	554,160	563,259
Investments	13	1,621,283	-	19,835	1,641,118	1,654,073
		2,175,443	-	19,835	2,195,278	2,217,332
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	14	7,631	-	-	7,631	7,485
Cash at bank and in hand		128,933	566	762	130,261	120,987
		136,564	566	762	137,892	128,472
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	15	(9,152)	-	-	(9,152)	(9,741)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		127,412	566	762	128,740	118,731
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,302,855	566	20,597	2,324,018	2,336,063
NET ASSETS		2,302,855	566	20,597	2,324,018	2,336,063

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

BALANCE SHEET - continued
31ST MARCH 2025

FUNDS	17		
Unrestricted funds		2,302,855	2,312,545
Restricted funds		566	2,090
Endowment funds		20,597	21,428
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>2,324,018</u>	<u>2,336,063</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 31st October 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Sister Christine CSJD - Trustee

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD - Trustee

Sister Shirley CSJD - Trustee

Sister Ivy CSJD - Trustee

The Right Revd Thomas Quin OSB - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Income

Salaries and Pensions are received under deeds of covenant from the members of the Community and are stated inclusive of Income Tax but net of any deductions for Social Security payments and contributions to occupational pension schemes and are accounted for when received. Donations are accounted for when received and tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is accounted for when the income is recognised.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for as soon as the Charity is notified of its legal entitlement, the

amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Interest and Dividends are accounted for when received.

Expenditure

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 a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. 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.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- 2% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 10% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Salaries and pensions of Sisters	60,007	55,430
Donations (inc. Gift aid tax recoverable)	14,104	13,453
	74,111	68,883

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Sale of work	179	154

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Listed investments	47,884	45,332
Cash investments	4,334	3,931
	52,218	49,263

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 6)	Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	Support costs (see note 8)	Totals
	£	£	£	£
House	51,719	-	6,140	57,859
Personal	7,675	-	-	7,675
Grants and donations	-	7,024	-	7,024
	59,394	7,024	6,140	72,558

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

6. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff costs	-	4,637
Chapel	368	203
Gas	3,345	2,748
Electricity	2,181	1,457
Council tax and water rates	3,288	3,036
Insurance	3,428	3,217
Cleaning	8,445	5,614
Repairs and maintenance	4,343	5,038
Graveyard repairs	45	406
Telephone	610	1,031
Garden	262	215
Provisions	6,788	7,336
Motor expenses	2,692	1,989
Travelling	392	456
National insurance, pension contributions and subscriptions	60	1,883
Stationery and postages	1,990	2,365
Computer costs	1,887	2,005
Library	56	109
Periodicals and newspapers	626	742
Pets and animal expenses	1,061	1,463
Sundry expenses	264	560
Fees and conferences	826	820
Sisters' allowances	3,490	2,606
Medical	3,359	2,995
Depreciation	9,588	9,789
	<u>59,394</u>	<u>62,720</u>

7. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants and donations	<u>7,024</u>	<u>6,251</u>

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Charitable	<u>5,842</u>	<u>5,305</u>

The total grants paid to individuals during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Non-charitable	<u>1,182</u>	<u>946</u>

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

8. SUPPORT COSTS

House		Governance costs £ 6,140
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Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	2025	2024
	House	Total
	£	activities
		£
Accountancy charges	5,000	4,740
Independent examiner's services	1,140	1,152
Legal fees	-	2,340
	<u>6,140</u>	<u>8,232</u>

9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The living expenses of the Trustees, who are members of the Community, are borne by the Community, but the trustees received no remuneration or other benefit in connection with their duties as trustees during the year.

Trustees' expenses

Travel expenses of £33.75 were paid to one trustee during the year.

10. STAFF COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	-	4,578
Other pension costs	-	59
	<u>-</u>	<u>4,637</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
Employees	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	68,883	-	-	68,883
Charitable activities				
Hospitality	2,006	-	-	2,006
Other trading activities	154	-	-	154
Investment income	48,362	351	550	49,263
Other income	338	-	-	338
Total	<u>119,743</u>	<u>351</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>120,644</u>

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	75	-	-	75
Charitable activities				
House	64,531	-	-	64,531
Personal	6,421	-	-	6,421
Grants and donations	5,001	750	500	6,251
Total	76,028	750	500	77,278
Net gains on investments	120,850	-	1,719	122,569
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	164,565	(399)	1,769	165,935
Transfers between funds	860	(860)	-	-
Net movement in funds	165,425	(1,259)	1,769	165,935
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	2,147,120	3,349	19,659	2,170,128
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	2,312,545	2,090	21,428	2,336,063

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST					
At 1st April 2024	658,988	38,968	8,000	5,686	711,642
Additions	-	-	-	489	489
At 31st March 2025	658,988	38,968	8,000	6,175	712,131
DEPRECIATION					
At 1st April 2024	97,060	38,642	7,361	5,320	148,383
Charge for year	8,996	33	213	346	9,588
At 31st March 2025	106,056	38,675	7,574	5,666	157,971
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31st March 2025	552,932	293	426	509	554,160
At 31st March 2024	561,928	326	639	366	563,259

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13. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investment £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1st April 2024	1,654,073
Additions	55,799
Revaluations	(68,754)
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At 31st March 2025	1,641,118
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NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st March 2025	1,641,118
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At 31st March 2024	<u>1,654,073</u>

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

The historical cost is as follows:

Unrestricted fund			
67,842.00	CBF Income fund shares		650,494
90,528.74	CBF Property fund shares		122,622
434	Abrdn Ordinary shares		0
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			773,116
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Endowment fund			
890.75	CBF Income fund shares		8,362
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14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations	2,355	2,270
Prepayments	5,276	5,215
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	7,631	7,485
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15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	<u>9,152</u>	<u>9,741</u>

16. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Between one and five years	4,400	-
In more than five years	-	5,600
	<u>4,400</u>	<u>5,600</u>

17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,312,545	(10,750)	1,060	2,302,855
Restricted funds				
Trinity Centre	1,048	286	(1,060)	274
Donations - Food parcels	1,042	(750)	-	292
	<u>2,090</u>	<u>(464)</u>	<u>(1,060)</u>	<u>566</u>
Endowment funds				
In Memorium trust fund income fund	700	62	-	762
In Memorium trust fund capital fund	20,728	(893)	-	19,835
	<u>21,428</u>	<u>(831)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,597</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,336,063</u>	<u>(12,045)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,324,018</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	128,494	(71,383)	(67,861)	(10,750)
Restricted funds				
Trinity Centre	286	-	-	286
Donations - Food parcels	-	(750)	-	(750)
	<u>286</u>	<u>(750)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(464)</u>
Endowment funds				
In Memorium trust fund income fund	562	(500)	-	62
In Memorium trust fund capital fund	-	-	(893)	(893)
	<u>562</u>	<u>(500)</u>	<u>(893)</u>	<u>(831)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>129,342</u>	<u>(72,633)</u>	<u>(68,754)</u>	<u>(12,045)</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,147,120	164,565	860	2,312,545
Restricted funds				
Trinity Centre	697	351	-	1,048
Grant - Christian hospitality	860	-	(860)	-
Donations - Food parcels	1,792	(750)	-	1,042
	3,349	(399)	(860)	2,090
Endowment funds				
In Memorium trust fund income fund	650	50	-	700
In Memorium trust fund capital fund	19,009	1,719	-	20,728
	19,659	1,769	-	21,428
TOTAL FUNDS	2,170,128	165,935	-	2,336,063

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	119,743	(76,028)	120,850	164,565
Restricted funds				
Trinity Centre	351	-	-	351
Donations - Food parcels	-	(750)	-	(750)
	351	(750)	-	(399)
Endowment funds				
In Memorium trust fund income fund	550	(500)	-	50
In Memorium trust fund capital fund	-	-	1,719	1,719
	550	(500)	1,719	1,769
TOTAL FUNDS	120,644	(77,278)	122,569	165,935

Details of restricted funds are as follows:

Trinity Centre

In 2009/10 and 2010/11 the Community was given donations by "The Trinity Centre (Birmingham) Limited Charity Number 519600)", a Charity which was being wound up following the termination of its original project. The donation was to be used "in supporting people or families to overcome disadvantage affecting their ability to live independently".

Christian hospitality

A grant was received from the Graces Dieu Charitable Trust in 2015/16 for the purposes of Christian hospitality. This grant has now been fully expended.

17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Food parcels

Funds are donated during the year to purchase food parcels which are then given to the poor and needy.

Details of endowment funds are as follows:

In Memoriam trust fund

The In Memoriam trust fund originated in 1895 by Edward Henry Hills Esq. of Tonbridge, Kent, Hector Francis Monro Esq. of Middlesex, and Sister Henrietta Janet de la Condamine and Sister Ada Isabella Beaver, both Sisters of the Community, the income from which was to be used for the purpose of, "... providing nurses for and nursing poor persons ordinarily resident in the Town of Deptford or elsewhere in any of the Counties of Kent, Surrey or Middlesex or in the City of London and for purposes of providing food medicine and medical or surgical appliances and other things necessary for the use or benefit of such poor persons.....".

Transfers between funds

During the course of the year a total of £1,060 was allocated for Christian hospitality purposes but because it is not possible to split this between accounts headings a transfer was made from the Trinity fund to the general unrestricted fund.

18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Other than disclosed on Note 9 there were no other related party transactions for the year ended 31st March 2025 or 31st March 2024.

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

England & Wales - Charity number 210254

Accounts

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024
FOR
THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE**

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THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2019).

Introduction

Since our Foundation in 1848, the ethos of the Community has always been based in health, healing, wholeness, reconciliation and pastoral care, expressed in nursing and midwifery, pastoral care, and care of the marginalised.

Any income from employment was paid to the Community to support our ministry and provide living expenses for the Sisters. This continued for many years until the Sisters retired from paid employment.

Our ministry continues with the same ethos expressed now in the ministry of hospitality, welcoming people in their need, for spiritual accompaniment and pastoral care. Income from these ministries also goes into the Community's funds.

Its working name is CSJD.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The aim of the Community of St. John the Divine is to unite under the threefold Vows of religion, women communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church in communion therewith) who feel called to dedicate their lives to the glory of God by serving the poor, the sick and dying or women in childbirth or to undertake medical, nursing or social work contributing to wholeness and health.

The Community is also desirous of establishing in its houses, centres of worship and prayer in which its members learn and practice true commitment to God and to each other in Community life. Also through its Associates and Friends to draw many men and women into fellowship with its life and work.

Policies adopted to achieve those Objects

The Community of St. John the Divine live under the three-fold Vows of Religious Life, establishing a centre of worship and prayer under the patronage of St. John the Divine Apostle of Love, and together with the Associates of the Community form a network of love, prayer and service.

Within the ethos of healing, wholeness and reconciliation we exercise a ministry of hospitality for people to come for times of rest, retreat and renewal and to share in the life and worship of the Community. We seek to offer a ministry of spiritual accompaniment and pastoral care, and to respond to the needs of the poor and marginalised.

Public benefit

The Trustees have considered their duty set out in the Charities Act to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission, and in their opinion the foregoing report on the achievements and performance demonstrates that they have complied therewith.

Grants, donations and support of missionary work and ministry

Members of the Community attend and support a number of local churches and are involved with certain areas of work being undertaken by the Diocese. Through donations the Community also supports the work of the Church both at home and overseas.

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The Ministry of the House

The Trustees Report this year seeks to share the challenges we have been facing as a Community, adapting our life and ministry to our limited resources.

Primarily the house here continues to be a house of prayer where we seek to give witness to the Religious Life within the Church of England. Yet at the same time it is important to share our lives with those who visit for many reasons. We hope that for some time yet we will be able to continue to welcome people for tea, coffee, and a friendly chat, for sharing worship and a meal, for providing space for quiet reflection, for spiritual accompaniment. Since lockdown due to Covid, we have only occasionally hosted some small groups and meetings. It has always felt important to seek to be a help and a safe place when someone is stressed or distressed by circumstances in their lives, to be able to be a place of rest, renewal, and refreshment.

This year from 1st April 2023 to the 31st March 2024 we have had 138 day visitors, including 74 Associates, 88 overnight stays of which 49 were Associates, and Sisters have provided 63 sessions of Spiritual Accompaniment. We have hosted a few small groups totalling 23 people. At the annual Associates Day, 21 of our Associates were present. These numbers do not include visitors who call in for a short visit when they are in the area.

One thing we have been able to continue to support is the local foodbank, Around Again Social Supermarket Charity, based locally in Chelmsley Wood which aims to tackle hunger and poverty in North Solihull.

The Community is small and ageing with only four Sisters. In running the house Sister Christine and Sister Margaret Angela have continued in shared leadership, Sister Shirley has continued as our Sister Treasurer and together they have covered the Community's administration. Sister Ivy takes responsibility for cooking and gardening. Both Ken Jones (who works in the garden two mornings a week) and Vena Thompson (who cooks for us three mornings a week) continue to offer their services as volunteers. We are all very grateful for their help.

We are very aware that it is time to look seriously at the life we lead and to continue to simplify it in ways where we can live the Religious Life with integrity, yet within a life of prayer and begin to make creative preparations for the future both practically and spiritually. Whilst the four Sisters are all Trustees of the Community and have a policy of shared responsibility, we know that we need extra help.

We are very grateful to the Revd. Canon Helen Hingley who is Chaplain to the Community and has been so helpful and supportive during the year, and to the Revd. Elaine King who continues as our second Local Chaplain.

We are grateful to Br. Thomas Quin, OSB, Abbot of Mucknell Abbey who continues to be our Honorary Treasurer and External Trustee.

Revd. Elaine King and Mrs Alison Barker, our two Companion Associates, have been very helpful working with us in updating the new Constitution. After sending our draft Constitution to our Solicitors, they provided us with their report, and we need to meet with them for further discussion in the near future.

There are two areas of our Constitution that we are still working on. The first area considering wording that could be part of the Objects and General Objectives of the Constitution is "The Members of the Community's earlier work in nursing and midwifery and of equipping and helping mothers to deliver and nurture new life, has now become a work of equipping and helping others to deliver new ministries, particularly seen in the Members spiritual direction of ordinands and clergy and guidance given to those active in churches and beyond as well as furtherance of the Christian Faith. We see what we are doing now as a continuity of what we were doing actively. The second area is about the completion of the life and ministry of the Community which is included in the last chapter of the Constitution.

Following the retirement in October 2022 of The Right Revd. David Urquhart, as our Episcopal Visitor, The Right Revd. Anne Hollinghurst, Bishop of Aston, has continued as our Commissary Visitor. Brother Stuart, OSB, from Mucknell Abbey who had been part of the Visitation Team has visited us every six months and will continue to do so until a new Visitor for the Community has been chosen.

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Associates

As always, we want to give thanks for our extended family of Associates and all they do in sharing our life and being in contact. Our Associates are a group of some 55 people, clergy and lay, men and women from all walks of life who desire to have a close link with the Community and share much of its life.

In May 2023 we hosted our annual Associates' Day attended by 21 of our Associates. Unfortunately, several Associates needed to cancel because of a rail strike or illness. The day was built around sharing a Eucharist with time for worship interlaced with some short reflections, group work, silence and sharing together. Thinking about our Community this year, we wanted to celebrate the 175th Anniversary since our foundation in 1848 and for everyone to be able to spend a few moments reflecting on times of celebration and thanksgiving that has been important to them over the last few years.

This led to sharing with our Associates issues we have been beginning to face and pray about, that slowly but surely, we are moving towards the completion of our life and ministry. The Associates in turn discussed issues in their own lives they were facing and how they were trying to cope with getting older. We have been trying to address 'getting old' more creatively by simplifying our lives yet still living them with integrity.

At our Half-Yearly Chapter meeting in October 2023, discussion took place whether it would be possible to hold another Associates' Day in the future, and it was agreed that we did not feel able to undertake this but would suggest to our Associates that they could come and visit us as they are able.

Conclusion

This last year we have much to give thanks for, yet threaded among all that has been joyful and positive has been the awareness that time has passed, and many aspects of change are now needing to be addressed as we begin to discern the future of the Community and our life and ministry here in Marston Green.

We trust the journey we are making will help us all to be challenged, give us time to reflect and be willing to change, so that together our life and ministry here can be continued in a way that we can manage.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Unrestricted incoming resources for the year are £119,743 compared to £116,610 in 2022/23. The major source of income includes total donations of £68,883 compared to £68,708 in 2022/23 and this includes £55,430 of Community members pensions and benefits made over to the Charity to provide for their living expenses. Other major sources of income during the year included £45,332 of income from listed investments.

Unrestricted expenditure has increased by £3,148 from £72,880 in 2022/23 to £76,028 this year. This was due partly to increases in Sister's allowances and medical costs.

Overall there was an unrestricted surplus for the year of £43,715. The shareholdings showed an unrestricted gain in their value of £120,850 at the year end.

The total unrestricted funds at the year end amounted to £2,312,545 compared to £2,147,120 as at 31st March 2023.

Investment policy

The major part of these reserves is invested with the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England, in its Investment Fund, Fixed Interest Securities Fund, Property Fund and Deposit Fund, with a view to providing a balanced level of income and the potential for long term capital growth.

No targets have been fixed, no ethical restrictions have been applied since the funds are managed in accordance with the policies of the Church of England's Ethical Investment Advisory Group and there are no specific legal powers of restriction.

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

Of the total unrestricted funds, £563,259 is represented by Functional Properties and other Fixed Assets used by the Community in the furtherance of its objects. The remaining funds of £1,749,286 represent the operating reserves, available to support the members of the Community both currently and in the future. Due to the reduction in the level of regular income and ever increasing costs the reserves need to be augmented and it is these invested reserves that provide the necessary additional income. The level of reserves required is regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Restricted funds at 31 March 2024 total £2,090 and Endowment funds £21,428.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The Community is governed by its Chapter and maintains its connection with the Church of England and the Diocese through its "Visitor" (a Bishop of the Anglican Communion elected by The Chapter, and normally the Diocesan Bishop), two local Chaplains (also elected by The Chapter) and the Advisory Council of Relations of Bishops with Religious Communities.

In terms of civil law the Charity is governed by the Constitution and Statutes of the Community of St. John the Divine dated 12th April 1984 and through its Chapter, established thereunder. The Chapter consists of all the Sisters admitted to Life Vows and they, together with any elected individuals are the Trustees. The Community is a Registered Charity (Charity Registration number 210254). All Sisters, during their novitiate, and in advance of their election and all other prospective Trustees, are made aware of the Community's work and structure and the responsibilities of the Trustees and if appropriate they are also introduced to the Community's legal, accounting, investment and property advisors.

Structure and Management

The Trustees are ultimately responsible for the policies, activities and assets of the Charity.

They meet regularly and make all important decisions after seeking advice from their professional and other advisors. The day to day management of the Charity's activities, and the implementation of policies is delegated to appropriate members of the Community or staff.

Risk management

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which the Community is exposed and, where necessary, have put policies and procedures in place to mitigate the exposure to these risks. They have insured against risks that could result in financial loss or liability, and matters relating to Health and Safety are regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Membership of the Community

Those who become members of the Community must be communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church that is in communion therewith). It is important that on-going Formation is given in living the Religious Life and that each member is encouraged to develop professional skills to enhance their ministry.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

210254

Principal address

St John's House
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Marston Green
Birmingham
B37 7HT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Community of St John The Divine

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Community of St John The Divine (the Trust) for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.

David Ashby FCCA ACA

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18th November 2024

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	2024 Total funds £	<i>2023 Total funds £</i>
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies	2	68,883	-	-	68,883	68,983
Charitable activities						
Hospitality		2,006	-	-	2,006	1,555
Other trading activities	3	154	-	-	154	145
Investment income	4	48,362	351	550	49,263	46,376
Other income		338	-	-	338	293
Total		119,743	351	550	120,644	117,352
EXPENDITURE ON						
Raising funds		76	-	-	76	51
Charitable activities						
House	5	64,530	-	-	64,530	69,021
Personal		6,421	-	-	6,421	(1,315)
Grants and donations		5,001	750	500	6,251	6,413
Total		76,028	750	500	77,278	74,170
Net gains/(losses) on investments		120,850	-	1,719	122,569	(70,037)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)						
Transfers between funds	17	164,565 860	(399) (860)	1,769 -	165,935 -	(26,855) -
Net movement in funds		165,425	(1,259)	1,769	165,935	(26,855)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		2,147,120	3,349	19,659	2,170,128	2,196,983
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		2,312,545	2,090	21,428	2,336,063	2,170,128

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

**BALANCE SHEET
31ST MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	2024 Total funds £	<i>2023 Total funds £</i>
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	12	563,259	-	-	563,259	572,499
Investments	13	1,633,345	-	20,728	1,654,073	1,476,103
		2,196,604	-	20,728	2,217,332	2,048,602
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	14	7,485	-	-	7,485	3,500
Cash at bank and in hand		118,197	2,090	700	120,987	127,662
		125,682	2,090	700	128,472	131,162
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	15	(9,741)	-	-	(9,741)	(9,636)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		115,941	2,090	700	118,731	121,526
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,312,545	2,090	21,428	2,336,063	2,170,128
NET ASSETS		2,312,545	2,090	21,428	2,336,063	2,170,128

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

BALANCE SHEET - continued
31ST MARCH 2024

FUNDS	17		
Unrestricted funds		2,312,545	2,147,120
Restricted funds		2,090	3,349
Endowment funds		21,428	19,659
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>2,336,063</u>	<u>2,170,128</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25th October 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Sister Christine CSJD - Trustee

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD - Trustee

Sister Shirley CSJD - Trustee

Sister Ivy CSJD - Trustee

The Right Revd Thomas Quin OSB - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Income

Salaries and Pensions are received under deeds of covenant from the members of the Community and are stated inclusive of Income Tax but net of any deductions for Social Security payments and contributions to occupational pension schemes and are accounted for when received. Donations are accounted for when received and tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is accounted for when the income is recognised.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for as soon as the Charity is notified of its legal entitlement, the

amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Interest and Dividends are accounted for when received.

Expenditure

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 a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. 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.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- 2% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 10% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	<i>2023</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Salaries and pensions of Sisters	55,430	<i>53,935</i>
Donations (inc. Gift aid tax recoverable)	13,453	<i>14,798</i>
Legacies	-	<i>250</i>
	<u>68,883</u>	<i><u>68,983</u></i>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2024	<i>2023</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Sale of work	<u>154</u>	<i><u>145</u></i>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	<i>2023</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Listed investments	45,332	<i>44,919</i>
Cash investments	3,931	<i>1,457</i>
	<u>49,263</u>	<i><u>46,376</u></i>

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 6)	Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	Support costs (see note 8)	Totals
	£	£	£	£
House	56,298	-	8,232	64,530
Personal	6,421	-	-	6,421
Grants and donations	-	6,251	-	6,251
	<u>62,719</u>	<u>6,251</u>	<u>8,232</u>	<u>77,202</u>

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6. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Staff costs	4,637	9,989
Chapel	203	179
Gas	2,748	3,173
Electricity	1,457	1,740
Council tax and water rates	1,616	2,849
Insurance	4,636	3,239
Cleaning	5,614	1,245
Repairs and maintenance	5,038	9,005
Major repairs	-	6,134
Graveyard repairs	406	-
Telephone	1,031	651
Garden	215	122
Provisions	7,336	6,350
Motor expenses	1,989	1,801
Travelling	456	480
National insurance, pension contributions and subscriptions	1,883	-
Stationery and postages	2,365	2,077
Computer costs	2,005	2,093
Library	109	204
Periodicals and newspapers	742	731
Pets and animal expenses	1,463	1,494
Sundry expenses	560	169
Fees and conferences	820	604
Sisters' allowances	2,606	(3,511)
Medical	2,995	1,592
Depreciation	9,789	9,848
	62,719	62,258

7. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2024	2023
	£	£
Grants and donations	6,251	6,413

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Charitable	5,305	5,166

The total grants paid to individuals during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Non-charitable	946	1,247

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8. SUPPORT COSTS

		Governance costs £
House		<u>8,232</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	2024	2023
	House	Total activities
	£	£
Accountancy charges	4,740	4,386
Independent examiner's services	1,152	1,062
Legal fees	2,340	-
	<u>8,232</u>	<u>5,448</u>

9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The living expenses of the Trustees, who are members of the Community, are borne by the Community, but the trustees received no remuneration or other benefit in connection with their duties as trustees during the year.

An honorarium of £150 was paid to the Honorary Treasurer, Br. Thomas.

Trustees' expenses

Travel expenses of £33.75 were paid to one trustee during the year.

10. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	4,578	9,880
Other pension costs	59	109
	<u>4,637</u>	<u>9,989</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Employees	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	68,958	25	-	68,983
Charitable activities				
Hospitality	1,555	-	-	1,555
Other trading activities	145	-	-	145
Investment income	45,659	167	550	46,376
Other income	293	-	-	293
Total	<u>116,610</u>	<u>192</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>117,352</u>
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	52	-	(1)	51
Charitable activities				
House	68,996	25	-	69,021
Personal	(1,330)	15	-	(1,315)
Grants and donations	5,163	750	500	6,413
Total	<u>72,881</u>	<u>790</u>	<u>499</u>	<u>74,170</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	<u>(69,337)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(700)</u>	<u>(70,037)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>(25,608)</u>	<u>(598)</u>	<u>(649)</u>	<u>(26,855)</u>
Transfers between funds	<u>820</u>	<u>(820)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	<u>(24,788)</u>	<u>(1,418)</u>	<u>(649)</u>	<u>(26,855)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	<u>2,171,908</u>	<u>4,767</u>	<u>20,308</u>	<u>2,196,983</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>2,147,120</u></u>	<u><u>3,349</u></u>	<u><u>19,659</u></u>	<u><u>2,170,128</u></u>

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12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST					
At 1st April 2023	658,988	38,968	8,000	5,137	711,093
Additions	-	-	-	549	549
At 31st March 2024	658,988	38,968	8,000	5,686	711,642
DEPRECIATION					
At 1st April 2023	88,064	38,606	7,148	4,776	138,594
Charge for year	8,996	36	213	544	9,789
At 31st March 2024	97,060	38,642	7,361	5,320	148,383
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31st March 2024	561,928	326	639	366	563,259
At 31st March 2023	570,924	362	852	361	572,499

13. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1st April 2023	1,476,103
Additions	55,401
Revaluations	122,569
At 31st March 2024	1,654,073
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st March 2024	1,654,073
At 31st March 2023	1,476,103

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

The historical cost is as follows:

Unrestricted fund		
63,340.14	CBF Income fund shares	600,494
81,670.36	CBF Property fund shares	116,823
434	Abrdn Ordinary shares	0
		717,317
Endowment fund		
890.75	CBF Income fund shares	8,362

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14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	<i>2023</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations	2,270	<i>2,121</i>
Prepayments	5,215	<i>1,379</i>
	<u>7,485</u>	<i><u>3,500</u></i>

15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	<i>2023</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Other creditors	9,741	<i>9,636</i>
	<u>9,741</u>	<i><u>9,636</u></i>

16. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2024	<i>2023</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Within one year	-	<i>936</i>
In more than five years	5,600	<i>-</i>
	<u>5,600</u>	<i><u>936</u></i>

17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/23	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At
	£	£	£	31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,147,120	164,565	860	2,312,545
Restricted funds				
Trinity Centre	697	351	-	1,048
Grant - Christian hospitality	860	-	(860)	-
Donations - Food parcels	1,792	(750)	-	1,042
	3,349	(399)	(860)	2,090
Endowment funds				
In Memorium trust fund income fund	650	50	-	700
In Memorium trust fund capital fund	19,009	1,719	-	20,728
	19,659	1,769	-	21,428
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,170,128</u>	<u>165,935</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,336,063</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	119,743	(76,028)	120,850	164,565
Restricted funds				
Trinity Centre	351	-	-	351
Donations - Food parcels	-	(750)	-	(750)
	351	(750)	-	(399)
Endowment funds				
In Memorium trust fund income fund	550	(500)	-	50
In Memorium trust fund capital fund	-	-	1,719	1,719
	550	(500)	1,719	1,769
TOTAL FUNDS	120,644	(77,278)	122,569	165,935

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,171,908	(25,608)	820	2,147,120
Restricted funds				
Trinity Centre	1,280	(583)	-	697
Grant - Christian hospitality	1,680	-	(820)	860
Donations - Medical	15	(15)	-	-
Donations - Food parcels	1,792	-	-	1,792
	4,767	(598)	(820)	3,349
Endowment funds				
In Memorium trust fund income fund	599	51	-	650
In Memorium trust fund capital fund	19,709	(700)	-	19,009
	20,308	(649)	-	19,659
TOTAL FUNDS	2,196,983	(26,855)	-	2,170,128

17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	116,610	(72,881)	(69,337)	(25,608)
Restricted funds				
Trinity Centre	167	(750)	-	(583)
Donations - Medical	-	(15)	-	(15)
Donations - Chapel	25	(25)	-	-
	192	(790)	-	(598)
Endowment funds				
In Memorium trust fund income fund	550	(499)	-	51
In Memorium trust fund capital fund	-	-	(700)	(700)
	550	(499)	(700)	(649)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>117,352</u>	<u>(74,170)</u>	<u>(70,037)</u>	<u>(26,855)</u>

Details of restricted funds are as follows:

Trinity Centre

In 2009/10 and 2010/11 the Community was given donations by "The Trinity Centre (Birmingham) Limited Charity Number 519600)", a Charity which was being wound up following the termination of its original project. The donation was to be used "in supporting people or families to overcome disadvantage affecting their ability to live independently".

Christian hospitality

A grant was received from the Graces Dieu Charitable Trust in 2015/16 for the purposes of Christian hospitality. This grant has now been fully expended.

Chapel

A donation was received during 2022/23 for the purposes of the chapel costs.

Medical

Gift Aid donations are received during 2022/23 for the purposes of medical costs of the community.

Food parcels

Funds are donated during the year to purchase food parcels which are then given to the poor and needy.

Details of endowment funds are as follows:

In Memoriam trust fund

The In Memoriam trust fund originated in 1895 by Edward Henry Hills Esq. of Tonbridge, Kent, Hector Francis Monro Esq. of Middlesex, and Sister Henrietta Janet de la Condamine and Sister Ada Isabella Beaver, both Sisters of the Community, the income from which was to be used for the purpose of, "... providing nurses for and nursing poor persons ordinarily resident in the Town of Deptford or elsewhere in any of the Counties of Kent, Surrey or Middlesex or in the City of London and for purposes of providing food medicine and medical or surgical appliances and other things necessary for the use or benefit of such poor persons.....".

17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Transfers between funds

During the course of the year a total of £860 was allocated for Christian hospitality purposes but because it is impossible to split this between accounts headings a transfer was made from the Christian Hospitality fund to the general unrestricted fund.

18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Other than disclosed on Note 9 there were no other related party transactions for the year ended 31st March 2024 or 31st March 2023.

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England & Wales - Charity number 210254

Accounts

**THE COMMUNITY OF
ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
ANNUAL REPORT
AND
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2023**

**Gibbons Mannington & Phipps LLP
Chartered Accountants
20 Eversley Road
Bexhill-on-Sea
East Sussex
TN40 1HE**

Introduction

The Community of St. John the Divine is an Anglican community currently based in Birmingham at St. John's House. It is the direct descendant of the Sisterhood of St. John the Evangelist, which was founded in 1848 and was the first Anglican Nursing Sisterhood.

Since the time of its foundation, it has always been a pioneering community. In the early years of its history, the Community played an important part in the establishing of new standards for Nursing and Midwifery, both in hospitals and in people's homes, as well as responding to health epidemics at home and abroad.

Objects

The aim of the Community of St. John the Divine is to unite under the threefold Vows of religion, women communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church in communion therewith) who feel called to dedicate their lives to the glory of God by serving the poor, the sick and dying or women in childbirth or to undertake medical, nursing or social work contributing to wholeness and health.

The Community is also desirous of establishing in its houses, centres of worship and prayer in which its members learn and practice true commitment to God and to each other in Community life. Also through its Associates and Friends to draw many men and women into fellowship with its life and work.

Policies adopted to achieve those Objects

The Community of St. John the Divine live under the three-fold Vows of Religious Life, establishing a centre of worship and prayer under the patronage of St. John the Divine, the Apostle of Love, and together with the Associates of the Community form a network of love, prayer and service.

Within the ethos of healing, wholeness and reconciliation we exercise a ministry of hospitality for people to come for times of rest, retreat and renewal and to share in the life and worship of the Community. We seek to offer a ministry of spiritual accompaniment and pastoral care, and to respond to the needs of the poor and marginalised.

Achievements and performance

INTRODUCTION

This will have been the first full year we have been able to have open house since lockdown, and it has been a real joy to welcome visitors again. Although, having said that, we have still been cautious about the number of visitors coming, as people were still becoming ill with Covid, even if thankfully the infection was less severe. The Sisters are all up to date with their vaccinations and have tried to ensure that those visiting would not be a source of infection.

THE MINISTRY OF THE HOUSE

Primarily the house here continues to be a house of prayer where we seek to give witness to the Religious Life within the Church of England. Yet at the same time it is important to share our lives with those who visit for many reasons. We hope that for some years yet we will be able to continue to welcome people for tea, coffee, and a friendly chat, for sharing worship and a meal, for providing space for quiet reflection, for spiritual accompaniment and eventually again for small groups and meetings. It has always felt important to seek to be a help and a safe place when someone is stressed or distressed by circumstances in their lives, to be able to be a place of rest, renewal, and refreshment.

This year from 1st April 2022 to the 31st March 2023 we have had **268** visitors, including **122** Associates, **64** overnight stays, and Sisters have provided **62** sessions of Spiritual Accompaniment.

So far as yet we have not chosen to restart having any groups again.

Achievements and performance (Continued)

One thing we have been able to continue to support is the local foodbank, Around Again Social Supermarket Charity, based locally in Chelmsley Wood which aims to tackle hunger and poverty in North Solihull.

The Community is small and ageing with only four Sisters. In running the house Sister Christine and Sister Margaret Angela have continued in shared leadership, Sister Shirley has continued as our Sister Treasurer and Sister Ivy has taken more responsibility for cooking and gardening. Both Ken Jones (who works in the garden two mornings a week) and Vena Thompson (who cooks for us three mornings a week) asked if they could end their employment and work for us in a voluntary capacity from the 1st April 2022. We are all very grateful for their continued help.

We are very aware that it is time to look seriously at the life we lead and to simplify it in ways where we can continue to live the Religious Life with integrity, yet within a life of prayer and begin to make creative preparations for the future both practically and spiritually. Whilst the four Sisters are all Trustees of the Community and have a policy of shared responsibility, we have recognised that the time has come when we need extra help.

We are very grateful to the Revd. Canon Helen Hingley who is Chaplain to the Community and has been so helpful and supportive throughout lockdown and to the Revd. Elaine King who is now our second Local Chaplain.

We are grateful to Br. Thomas Quin, OSB, Abbot of Mucknell Abbey who has generously agreed to be our Honorary Treasurer and External Trustee with effect from the 1st April 2022 for an initial period of five years.

Revd. Elaine King and Mrs Alison Barker have been elected by Chapter as Companion Associates for five years. They have been very helpful with updating the new Constitution which is currently at our Solicitors for their examination and approval, after which it will be sent to the Charity Commission. Companion Associates are appointed to support and advise the members of the Community as needed and raise matters which the members of the Community might like to consider.

The Right Revd. David Urquhart, our Episcopal Visitor, retired in October 2022 and the Right Revd. Anne Hollinghurst, Bishop of Aston, became our Commissary Visitor. Brother Stuart, OSB, from Mucknell Abbey who had been part of the Visitation Team has agreed to visit us every six months until a new Visitor for the Community has been chosen and he visited again in July and December 2022.

ASSOCIATES

As always, we want to give thanks for our extended family of Associates and all they do in sharing our life and being in contact. Our Associates are a group of some 60 people, clergy and lay, men and women from all walks of life who desire to have a close link with the Community and share much of its life. During the year one new Associate was admitted and we give thanks for the commitment and friendship of three of our Associates (one who was aged 106) who have died in the last twelve months. It was a great joy to be able to hold our first Annual Associates Day since lockdown and welcome 21 of our Associates and the speaker for the day, the Revd. Dr. Al Barrett. He spoke about the book he has written with Ruth Harley called "Being Interrupted, Imagining the Church's Mission from Outside In". We were blessed with excellent weather and a day which everyone really enjoyed.

Achievements and performance (Continued)

CONCLUSION

This last year we have much to give thanks for in that it has been possible to see the return of the ministry of the house to some degree of normality, with the joy of welcoming visitors again. From purposefully starting slowly, the house has now become increasingly well used.

Yet threaded among all that has been joyful and positive has been the awareness that time has passed, and many aspects of change are now needing to be addressed, for instance, having reached the point of needing more help, and beginning to discern the future of the Community and our life and ministry here in Marston Green. This is a process in which we would wish to involve our Associates and are thankful for their help and support.

We trust the journey we are making will help us all to be challenged, give us time to reflect and be willing to change, so that together our life and ministry here can be continued in a way that we can manage.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have considered their duty set out in the Charities Act to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission, and in their opinion the foregoing report on the achievements and performance demonstrates that they have complied therewith.

Financial Review

Unrestricted incoming resources for the year are £116,610 compared to £113,958 in 2021/22. The major source of income includes total donations of £68,708 compared to £70,847 in 2021/22 and this includes £53,935 of Community members pensions and benefits made over to the Charity to provide for their living expenses. Other major sources of income during the year included £44,369 of income from listed investments.

Unrestricted expenditure has reduced by £14,455 from £87,335 in 2021/22 to £72,880 this year. A savings in wages accounted for £4,142 of this reduction and there was also a saving in sister's allowances as it was agreed to write off the provision of £6,630 which had been brought forward from earlier years as it was agreed this would not be payable.

Overall there was an unrestricted surplus for the year of £43,730. The shareholdings showed an unrestricted loss in their value of £69,337 at the year end.

The total unrestricted funds at the year end amounted to £2,147,122 compared to £2,171,909 as at 31st March 2022.

Grants, donations and support of missionary work and ministry

Members of the Community attend and support a number of local churches and are involved with certain areas of work being undertaken by the Diocese. Through donations the Community also supports the work of the Church both at home and overseas.

Investment Policy

The major part of these reserves is invested with the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England, in its Investment Fund, Fixed Interest Securities Fund, Property Fund and Deposit Fund, with a view to providing a balanced level of income and the potential for long term capital growth.

No targets have been fixed, no ethical restrictions have been applied since the funds are managed in accordance with the policies of the Church of England's Ethical Investment Advisory Group and there are no specific legal powers of restriction.

Reserves Policy

Of the total unrestricted funds, £572,499 is represented by Functional Properties and other Fixed Assets used by the Community in the furtherance of its objects. The remaining funds of £1,574,623 represent the operating reserves, available to support the members of the Community both currently and in the future. Due to the reduction in the level of regular income and ever increasing costs the reserves need to be augmented and it is these invested reserves that provide the necessary additional income. The level of reserves required is regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Restricted funds at 31 March 2023 total £3,349.

The management of the In Memoriam Trust Fund (which is registered as a subsidiary charity of the Community) rests with the Chapter. Assets belonging to the In Memoriam Trust Fund is held by the Custodian Trustees.

The Custodian Trustees during the year were:

Sister Christine CSJD (Mary Christine Hoverd)
Sister Margaret Angela CSJD (Margaret Mary King)
Sister Ivy CSJD (Ivy Rose Patten)
Sister Shirley CSJD (Shirley Hart)

The Trustees continue to receive income from the investment with Central Board of Finance and consider from time to time appropriate grants.

The total assets of the endowment fund are £19,657

Membership of the Community

Those who become members of the Community must be communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church that is in communion therewith). It is important that on-going Formation is given in living the Religious Life and that each member is encouraged to develop professional skills to enhance their ministry.

Governance, Structure and Management

Governance

The Community is governed by its Chapter and maintains its connection with the Church of England and the Diocese through its "Visitor" (a Bishop of the Anglican Communion elected by The Chapter, and normally the Diocesan Bishop), two local Chaplains (also elected by The Chapter) and the Advisory Council of Relations of Bishops with Religious Communities.

In terms of civil law the Charity is governed by the Constitution and Statutes of the Community of St. John the Divine dated 12th April 1984 and through its Chapter, established thereunder. The Chapter consists of all the Sisters admitted to Life Vows and they, together with any elected individuals are the Trustees. The Community is a Registered Charity (Charity Registration number 210254). All Sisters, during their novitiate, and in advance of their election and all other prospective Trustees, are made aware of the Community's work and structure and the responsibilities of the Trustees and if appropriate they are also introduced to the Community's legal, accounting, investment and property advisors.

Structure and Management

The Trustees are ultimately responsible for the policies, activities and assets of the Charity.

They meet regularly and make all important decisions after seeking advice from their professional and other advisors. The day to day management of the Charity's activities, and the implementation of policies is delegated to appropriate members of the Community or staff.

Risk Management

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which the Community is exposed and, where necessary, have put policies and procedures in place to mitigate the exposure to these risks. They have insured against risks that could result in financial loss or liability, and matters relating to Health and Safety are regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Reference and administrative details

Working Name

CSJD

Registered Address

St. John's House, 113 Coleshill Road, Marston Green, Birmingham, B37 7HT.

Leaders of the Community

Sister Christine CSJD

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD

Trustees

The Community is governed by its Chapter which comprises all the Sisters admitted to Life Vows. The members of the Chapter during the year were:

Sister Christine CSJD * (Mary Christine Hoverd) - Joint Community Leader

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD * (Margaret Mary King) - Joint Community Leader

Sister Ivy CSJD * (Ivy Rose Patten)

Sister Shirley CSJD * (Shirley Hart) - Sister Treasurer

Honorary Treasurer (Elected by Invitation)

Brother Thomas Quin OSB

Appointed 1st April 2022

* Custodian Trustees who hold Property on behalf of the Community.

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc., City Branch, 1 St. Philips Place, Birmingham, B3 2PP

Solicitors

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Accountants

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Independent Examiner

Richard Appleyard FCA, 20, Eversley Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN40 1HE.

Insurance Broker

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On behalf of the Trustees:

Sister Christine CSJD
(Mary Christine Hoverd)

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD
(Margaret Mary King)

Sister Shirley CSJD
(Shirley Hart)

Sister Ivy CSJD
(Ivy Rose Patten)

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023 set out on pages 7 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's 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 required.

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 the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 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 2011 Act; 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.

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Chartered Accountant

16th November 2023

**THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income and endowments from:						
<i>Donations and legacies</i>						
Salaries and pensions of Sisters		53,935			53,935	49,978
Donations (inc. Gift Aid tax recoverable)		14,773	25		14,798	20,879
Legacy		250			250	0
<i>Charitable Activities</i>						
Hospitality		1,555			1,555	750
<i>Other trading activities</i>						
Sale of work		145			145	76
<i>Investments</i>						
Listed investments		44,369		550	44,919	41,621
Cash investments		1,290	167		1,457	47
<i>Other</i>						
Royalties and advances		293			293	360
Other		0			0	800
Total income		116,610	192	550	117,352	114,511
Expenditure on:						
<i>Raising funds</i>						
Fundraising trading: Costs of Goods sold and other costs		51			51	21
<i>Charitable Activities</i>	2	72,829	790	500	74,119	88,624
Total expenditure		72,880	790	500	74,170	88,645
		43,730	(598)	50	43,182	25,866
Gains/(Losses) on investment assets						
Unrealised		(69,337)		(700)	(70,037)	113,197
Realised		0			0	0
		(69,337)	0	(700)	(70,037)	113,197
Net Income/expenditure		(25,607)	(598)	(650)	(26,855)	139,063
Transfers between funds	12	820	(820)	0	0	0
Net Movement In Funds		(24,787)	(1,418)	(650)	(26,855)	139,063
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		2,171,909	4,767	20,307	2,196,983	2,057,920
Total funds carried forward		2,147,122	3,349	19,657	2,170,128	2,196,983

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing operations.

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6		572,499		582,347
Investments	7		1,476,104		1,540,973
Total fixed assets			2,048,603		2,123,320
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	3,500		3,915	
Cash investments	8	77,583		37,418	
Cash at bank and in hand		50,078		47,422	
Total Current Assets		131,161		88,755	
LIABILITIES					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	9,636		15,092	
Net current assets			121,525		73,663
Net assets			2,170,128		2,196,983
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:	11				
Unrestricted funds			2,147,122		2,171,909
Restricted funds			3,349		4,767
Endowment funds			19,657		20,307
Total charity funds			2,170,128		2,196,983

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 27th October 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Sister Christine CSJD
(Mary Christine Hoverd)

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD
(Margaret Mary King)

Sister Shirley CSJD
(Shirley Hart)

Sister Ivy CSJD
(Ivy Rose Patten)

The Right Revd. Thomas Quin, OSB
Honorary Treasurer and External Trustee

1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charity SORP (FRS 102) '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 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue, and so the accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows

Income

Salaries and Pensions are received under deeds of covenant from the members of the Community and are stated inclusive of Income Tax but net of any deductions for Social Security payments and contributions to occupational pension schemes and are accounted for when received.

Donations are accounted for when received and tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is accounted for when the income is recognised.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for as soon as the Charity is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Interest and Dividends are accounted for when received.

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31st March.

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 a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category.

Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

1. Accounting Policies

Fixed Assets

Freehold Property has been included at cost.

Fixed Assets are being depreciated at rates appropriate to their useful economic life in each case.

These are as follows:

Freehold Property	2% on a Straight Line Basis
Furniture, Fixtures and Fitting:	10% on Written Down Value
Motor Vehicles	25% on Written Down Value
Computers	33 ¹ / ₃ % on a Straight Line Basis

Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings were revalued at 1st April 1996 to more accurately reflect their current market value, this is reduced by subsequent disposals at their sale price and acquisitions are added at cost.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at market value. Gains and losses on revaluation are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Cash at Bank

Cash at bank includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

Current Asset Investments

Current Asset Investments includes cash held on deposit for investment purposes.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement value.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

Endowment fund consists of a Capital and Income Fund and the income only may be used to fulfil the object of the fund.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

**THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
2. Charitable Activities					
Grants and donations:					
Charitable	3,916	750	500	5,166	4,472
Non-charitable	1,247			1,247	1,394
House:					
Wages (including PAYE, NIC & Pension)	9,989			9,989	14,131
Chapel	154	25		179	299
Gas	3,173			3,173	2,718
Electricity	1,740			1,740	1,680
Council tax and water rates	2,849			2,849	2,692
Insurance	3,239			3,239	3,016
Cleaning	1,245			1,245	1,120
Repairs and maintenance	9,005			9,005	9,831
Major repairs	6,134			6,134	0
Telephone	651			651	861
Garden	122			122	3,937
Provisions	6,350			6,350	6,690
Motor expenses	1,801			1,801	2,342
Travelling	480			480	142
National insurance, pension contributions and professional subscriptions and expenses	0			0	47
Stationery and postages	2,077			2,077	2,344
Computer costs	2,093			2,093	1,053
Library	204			204	228
Periodicals and newspapers	731			731	484
Pet and animal expenses	1,494			1,494	1,066
Sundry expenses	169			169	250
Accountancy charges	4,386			4,386	4,368
Independent examiner's services	1,062			1,062	1,128
Depreciation:					
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	40			40	45
Computers	528			528	528
Motor vehicles	284			284	1,138
Freehold property	8,996			8,996	13,180
Personal:					
Fees and conferences	604			604	749
Sisters' allowances	(3,511)			(3,511)	4,840
Medical	1,577	15		1,592	1,851
	72,829	790	500	74,119	88,624

3. SUPPORT COSTS	2023	2022
	£	£
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	4,386	4,368
Independent examiner's fees	1,062	1,128
	5,448	5,496

4. Employees	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages	9,880	14,040
Employer's National Insurance	0	0
Pension contributions	109	91
	9,989	14,131

During the year none of the staff employed by the Community earned £60,000 p.a. or more.

The average number of employees during the year was 1 (2022 - 2).

5. Transactions with trustees

The living expenses of the Trustees, who are members of the Community, are borne by the Community, but the trustees received no remuneration or other benefit in connection with their duties as trustees during the year.

6. Tangible Fixed Assets - Used for the Charitable Purposes of the Community

Cost/Valuation	Freehold Property	Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings	Computers	Motor Vehicles	Total
At 1st April 2022	658,988	38,968	5,137	8,000	711,093
Additions during the year	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals during the year	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st March 2023	658,988	38,968	5,137	8,000	711,093
Depreciation					
At 1st April 2022	79,068	38,566	4,248	6,864	128,746
Charge for the year	8,996	40	528	284	9,848
On Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st March 2023	88,064	38,606	4,776	7,148	138,594
Net Book Value					
At 31st March 2023	570,924	362	361	852	572,499
At 31st March 2022	579,920	402	889	1,136	582,347

7. Investments (Listed)

Unrestricted Fund

63,340.14 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund Income Shares

Market value at 1st April 2022

Additions

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2023

Historical cost

81,670.36 Central Board of Finance Property Fund

Market value at 1st April 2022

Additions

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2023

Historical cost

434 Abrdn Ordinary 13 61/63p Shares

Market value at 1st April 2022

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2023

Historical cost

Endowment Fund

890.75 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund Income Shares

Market value at 1st April 2022

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2023

Historical cost

Summary

Unrestricted

Endowment

	Total 2023 £	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
	1,401,496	<i>1,204,706</i>
	0	<i>100,000</i>
	(49,798)	<i>96,790</i>
	1,351,698	<i>1,401,496</i>
	550,494	<i>550,494</i>
	118,683	<i>98,684</i>
	5,168	<i>4,951</i>
	(19,337)	<i>15,048</i>
	104,514	<i>118,683</i>
	111,422	<i>106,254</i>
	1,085	<i>1,258</i>
	(202)	<i>(173)</i>
	883	<i>1,085</i>
	0	<i>0</i>
	19,709	<i>18,177</i>
	(700)	<i>1,532</i>
	19,009	<i>19,709</i>
	8,362	<i>8,362</i>
	1,457,095	<i>1,521,264</i>
	19,009	<i>19,709</i>
	1,476,104	<i>1,540,973</i>

All Investments were held within the UK.

	Total 2023 £	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
8. Current asset cash investments		
C.B.F. deposit funds	77,583	37,418
9. Debtors		
Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations and trust income	2,121	2,361
Prepayments	1,379	1,554
Other debtors	0	0
	3,500	3,915
10. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
Other creditors	9,636	15,092
	9,636	15,092

11. Statement of funds	Brought forward £	Income £	Expend- iture £	Net gains/ (losses) £	Transfer £	Carried forward £
Unrestricted funds	2,171,909	116,610	(72,880)	(69,337)	820	2,147,122
Restricted funds						
Trinity Centre	1,280	167	(750)	0	0	697
Grant - Christian hospitality	1,680	0	0	0	(820)	860
Donation - Medical	15	0	(15)	0	0	0
Donation - Chapel	0	25	(25)	0	0	0
Donations - Food parcels	1,792	0	0	0	0	1,792
	4,767	192	(790)	0	(820)	3,349
Endowment funds						
In Memoriam trust fund						
Income fund	599	550	(500)	0	0	649
Capital fund	19,708	0	0	(700)	0	19,008
	20,307	550	(500)	(700)	0	19,657
Total funds	2,196,983	117,352	(74,170)	(70,037)	0	2,170,128

Details of restricted funds are as follows:

Trinity Centre

In 2009/10 and 2010/11 the Community was given donations by "The Trinity Centre (Birmingham) Limited Charity Number 519600", a Charity which was being wound up following the termination of its original project. The donation was to be used "in supporting people or families to overcome disadvantages affecting their ability to live independently".

Christian hospitality

A grant was received from the Graces Dieu Charitable Trust in 2015/16 for the purposes of Christian hospitality.

Chapel

A donation was received during the year for the purposes of the chapel costs.

Medical

Gift Aid donations are received during the year for the purposes of medical costs of the community.

Food parcels

Funds are donated during the year to purchase food parcels which are then given to the poor and needy.

11. Statement of funds (continued)

Details of endowment funds are as follows:

In Memoriam trust fund

The In Memoriam trust fund originated in 1895 by Edward Henry Hills Esq. of Tonbridge, Kent, Hector Francis Monro Esq. of Middlesex, and Sister Henrietta Janet de la Condamine and Sister Ada Isabella Beaver, both Sisters of the Community, the income from which was to be used for the purpose of, "... providing nurses for and nursing poor persons ordinarily resident in the Town of Deptford or elsewhere in any of the Counties of Kent, Surrey or Middlesex or in the City of London and for purposes of providing food medicine and medical or surgical appliances and other things necessary for the use or benefit of such poor persons....".

12. Transfer between funds

During the course of the year a total of £820 was allocated for Christian hospitality purposes but because it is impossible to split this between accounts headings a transfer was made from the Christian Hospitality fund to the general unrestricted fund.

13. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Tangible fixed assets	572,499	0	0	572,499	582,347
Fixed asset investments	1,457,095	0	19,009	1,476,104	1,540,973
Current assets	127,164	3,349	648	131,161	88,755
Creditors	(9,636)	0	0	(9,636)	(15,092)
	<u>2,147,122</u>	<u>3,349</u>	<u>19,657</u>	<u>2,170,128</u>	<u>2,196,983</u>

14. Leasing arrangements

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2023 £	<i>2022 £</i>
Under one year	936	0
Between one and five years	0	2,184
	<u>936</u>	<u>2,184</u>

15. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2022 £
Income and endowments from:				
<i>Donations and legacies</i>				
Salaries and pensions of Sisters	49,978			49,978
Donations (inc. Gift Aid tax recoverable)	20,869	10		20,879
<i>Charitable Activities</i>				
Hospitality	750			750
<i>Other trading activities</i>				
Sale of work	76			76
<i>Investments</i>				
Listed investments	41,087		534	41,621
Cash investments	38	9		47
<i>Other</i>				
Royalties and advances	360			360
Job retention scheme grant	800			800
Total income	<u>113,958</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>534</u>	<u>114,511</u>
Expenditure on:				
<i>Raising funds</i>				
Fundraising trading: Costs of Goods sold and other costs	21			21
<i>Charitable Activities</i>	87,314	810	500	88,624
Total expenditure	<u>87,335</u>	<u>810</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>88,645</u>
	26,623	(791)	34	25,866
Gains/(Losses) on investment assets				
Unrealised	111,665		1,532	113,197
Realised	0			0
	<u>111,665</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,532</u>	<u>113,197</u>
Net Income/expenditure	<u>138,288</u>	<u>(791)</u>	<u>1,566</u>	<u>139,063</u>
Transfers between funds	335	(335)	0	0
Net Movement In Funds	<u>138,623</u>	<u>(1,126)</u>	<u>1,566</u>	<u>139,063</u>
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward	2,033,286	5,893	18,741	2,057,920
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>2,171,909</u></u>	<u><u>4,767</u></u>	<u><u>20,307</u></u>	<u><u>2,196,983</u></u>

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

England & Wales - Charity number 210254

Accounts

**THE COMMUNITY OF
ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
ANNUAL REPORT
AND
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2022**

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Introduction

The Community of St. John the Divine is an Anglican community currently based in Birmingham at St. John's House. It is the direct descendant of the Sisterhood of St. John the Evangelist, which was founded in 1848 and was the first Anglican Nursing Sisterhood.

Since the time of its foundation, it has always been a pioneering community. In the early years of its history, the Community played an important part in the establishing of new standards for Nursing and Midwifery, both in hospitals and in people's homes, as well as responding to health epidemics at home and abroad.

Objects

The aim of the Community of St. John the Divine is to unite under the threefold Vows of religion, women communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church in communion therewith) who feel called to dedicate their lives to the glory of God by serving the poor, the sick and dying or women in childbirth or to undertake medical, nursing or social work contributing to wholeness and health.

The Community is also desirous of establishing in its houses, centres of worship and prayer in which its members learn and practice true commitment to God and to each other in Community life. Also through its Associates and Friends to draw many men and women into fellowship with its life and work.

Policies adopted to achieve those Objects

The Community of St. John the Divine live under the three-fold Vows of Religious Life, establishing a centre of worship and prayer under the patronage of St. John the Divine, the Apostle of Love, and together with the Associates of the Community form a network of love, prayer and service.

Within the ethos of healing, wholeness and reconciliation we exercise a ministry of hospitality for people to come for times of rest, retreat and renewal and to share in the life and worship of the Community. We seek to offer a ministry of spiritual accompaniment and pastoral care, and to respond to the needs of the poor and marginalised.

Achievements and performance

INTRODUCTION

Last year's Trustees' Report was written in the middle of lockdown. For the whole year the house had to remain closed because of the Coronavirus pandemic. In June 2020 we, like the whole country, had to come to terms with the latest Government directives and restrictions which were only eased on the 29th July 2021. We said at the time "How do you write about life in lockdown in the pandemic?" Our reflection formed the body of last year's report.

THE MINISTRY OF THE HOUSE

Last July 2021, we had a Visitation from the Right Revd. David Urquhart, our Episcopal Visitor, together with Brother Stuart, OSB, from Mucknell Abbey. The thought of a Visitation helped to focus our minds with the things we wanted to discuss, especially as the house had been closed for so long over the pandemic. We are thankful to Bishop David and Brother Stuart for listening carefully and for all their help, interest and concern. They actually called the Visitation "a time of ongoing conversation". We were pleased to be able to report at the Visitation that our application to be "a Recognised Community of the Church of England" had been approved by the Advisory Council.

We had opened the house again in the autumn of 2021 but had been careful only starting slowly to welcome guests again. It was a real joy to actually meet people, having had to rely on emails, cards and phone calls. Sadly, we had to close the house again for a few weeks when each of the Sisters went down with Covid towards the end of March 2022.

Achievements and performance (Continued)

Primarily the house here continues to be a house of prayer where we seek to give witness to the Religious Life within the Church of England. Yet at the same time it is important to share our lives with those who visit for many reasons. We hope that for some years yet we will be able to continue to welcome people for tea, coffee and a friendly chat, for sharing worship and a meal, for providing space for quiet reflection, for spiritual accompaniment and eventually again for small groups and meetings. It has always felt important to seek to be a help and a safe place when someone is stressed or distressed by circumstances in their lives, to be able to be a place of rest, renewal and refreshment. So far since we re-opened the house in the autumn of 2021, we have had 90 people visit up to the end of March 2022. Over these few months we have only counted the total number of people who have visited and will only start a more detailed analysis from the 1st April 2022.

One thing we have been able to continue to support is the local foodbank, Around Again Social Supermarket Charity, based locally in Chelmsley Wood which aims to tackle hunger and poverty in North Solihull.

The Community is small and ageing with only four Sisters. In running the house Sister Christine and Sister Margaret Angela have continued in shared leadership, Sister Shirley has continued as our Sister Treasurer and Sister Ivy has taken more responsibility for cooking and gardening. We are very aware that it is time to look seriously at the life we lead and to simplify it in ways where we can continue to live the Religious Life with integrity, yet within a life of prayer and begin to make creative preparations for the future both practically and spiritually. Whilst the four Sisters are all Trustees of the Community and have a policy of shared responsibility, we have recognised that the time has come when we need extra help. In this respect we are in the process of appointing two External Trustees, as follows:

the Revd. Elaine King (who is also willing to become our second Local Chaplain) and

Brother Thomas Quin, OSB, Abbot of Mucknell Abbey (who has also generously agreed to be our Honorary Treasurer, replacing Tony Leverington who died in July 2019).

We are very grateful to the Revd. Canon Helen Hingley who is Chaplain to the Community and has been so helpful and supportive throughout lockdown and we give thanks for the Revd. Bill Moore who has served as a local Chaplain for five years but has now retired from this role.

ASSOCIATES

As we give thanks for the life of the Community so too, we want to give thanks for our extended family of Associates and all they do in sharing our life and being in contact. Our Associates are a group of some 60 people, clergy and lay, men and women from all walks of life who desire to have a close link with the Community and share much of its life. We were very pleased to admit two new Associates in October 2021. A long-standing Associate, of some 50 years, died in January 2022. We all gave thanks for her friendship, faithful life and her commitment to the Community. Sadly because of lockdown we have been unable to hold our Annual Associates Day for two years but have one planned for Saturday 7th May 2022, when as well as having a speaker, we look forward to welcoming 22 Associates to share the day together. We are hoping to involve our Associates in our ongoing discernment about the future of the Community.

CONCLUSION

This last year we have much to give thanks for in that it has been possible to see the return of the ministry of the house to some degree of normality, with the joy of welcoming visitors again. From purposefully starting slowly, the house has become increasingly well used, although up until now we have not yet started hosting groups again or having many people staying overnight.

Yet threaded among all that has been joyful and positive has been the awareness that time has passed, and many aspects of change are now needing to be addressed, for instance, having reached the point of needing more help, and beginning to discern the future of the Community and our life and ministry here in Marston Green. This is a process in which we would wish to involve our Associates and are thankful for their help and support.

Achievements and performance (Continued)

We trust the journey we are making will help us all to be challenged, give us time to reflect and be willing to change, so that together our life and ministry here will be renewed.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have considered their duty set out in the Charities Act to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission, and in their opinion the foregoing report on the achievements and performance demonstrates that they have complied therewith.

Financial Review

Unrestricted incoming resources for the year are £113,958 compared to £108,564 in 2020/21. The major source of income includes total donations of £70,847 compared to £65,237 in 2020/21 and this includes £49,978 of Community members pensions and benefits made over to the Charity to provide for their living expenses. Other major sources of income during the year included £41,087 of income from listed investments. Last years unrestricted income included a Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme grant of £3,468 which did not continue in 2021/22.

Unrestricted expenditure has increased by £8,581 from £78,754 in 2020/21 to £87,335 this year, with repairs and maintenance increasing from £3,870 in 2020/21 to £9,831 this year. Other areas of expenditure fluctuated very slightly from 2020/21.

Overall there was an unrestricted surplus for the year of £26,623. The shareholdings showed an unrestricted gain in their value of £111,665 at the year end.

The total unrestricted funds at the year end amounted to £2,171,909 compared to £2,033,286 as at 31st March 2021.

Grants, donations and support of missionary work and ministry

Members of the Community attend and support a number of local churches and are involved with certain areas of work being undertaken by the Diocese. Through donations the Community also supports the work of the Church both at home and overseas.

Investment Policy

The major part of these reserves is invested with the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England, in its Investment Fund, Fixed Interest Securities Fund, Property Fund and Deposit Fund, with a view to providing a balanced level of income and the potential for long term capital growth.

No targets have been fixed, no ethical restrictions have been applied since the funds are managed in accordance with the policies of the Church of England's Ethical Investment Advisory Group and there are no specific legal powers of restriction.

Reserves Policy

Of the total unrestricted funds, £582,347 is represented by Functional Properties and other Fixed Assets used by the Community in the furtherance of its objects. The remaining funds of £1,589,562 represent the operating reserves, available to support the members of the Community both currently and in the future. Due to the reduction in the level of regular income and ever increasing costs the reserves need to be augmented and it is these invested reserves that provide the necessary additional income. The level of reserves required is regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Restricted funds at 31 March 2022 total £4,767.

Connected Charity

The management of the In Memoriam Trust Fund (which is registered as a subsidiary charity of the Community) rests with the Chapter. Assets belonging to the In Memoriam Trust Fund is held by the Custodian Trustees.

The Custodian Trustees during the year were:

Sister Christine CSJD (Mary Christine Hoverd)
Sister Margaret Angela CSJD (Margaret Mary King)
Sister Ivy CSJD (Ivy Rose Patten)
Sister Shirley CSJD (Shirley Hart)

The Trustees continue to receive income from the investment with Central Board of Finance and consider from time to time appropriate grants.

The total assets of the fund are £20,307

Membership of the Community

Those who become members of the Community must be communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church that is in communion therewith). It is important that on-going Formation is given in living the Religious Life and that each member is encouraged to develop professional skills to enhance their ministry.

Governance, Structure and Management

Governance

The Community is governed by its Chapter and maintains its connection with the Church of England and the Diocese through its "Visitor" (a Bishop of the Anglican Communion elected by The Chapter, and normally the Diocesan Bishop), two local Chaplains (also elected by The Chapter) and the Advisory Council of Relations of Bishops with Religious Communities.

In terms of civil law the Charity is governed by the Constitution and Statutes of the Community of St. John the Divine dated 12th April 1984 and through its Chapter, established thereunder. The Chapter consists of all the Sisters admitted to Life Vows and they, together with any elected individuals are the Trustees. The Community is a Registered Charity (Charity Registration number 210254). All Sisters, during their novitiate, and in advance of their election and all other prospective Trustees, are made aware of the Community's work and structure and the responsibilities of the Trustees and if appropriate they are also introduced to the Community's legal, accounting, investment and property advisors.

Structure and Management

The Trustees are ultimately responsible for the policies, activities and assets of the Charity.

They meet regularly and make all important decisions after seeking advice from their professional and other advisors. The day to day management of the Charity's activities, and the implementation of policies is delegated to appropriate members of the Community or staff.

Risk Management

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which the Community is exposed and, where necessary, have put policies and procedures in place to mitigate the exposure to these risks. They have insured against risks that could result in financial loss or liability, and matters relating to Health and Safety are regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Reference and administrative details

Working Name

CSJD

Registered Address

St. John's House, 113 Coleshill Road, Marston Green, Birmingham, B37 7HT.

Leaders of the Community

Sister Christine CSJD

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD

Trustees

The Community is governed by its Chapter which comprises all the Sisters admitted to Life Vows.

The members of the Chapter during the year were:

Sister Christine CSJD * (Mary Christine Hoverd) - Joint Community Leader

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD * (Margaret Mary King) - Joint Community Leader

Sister Ivy CSJD * (Ivy Rose Patten)

Sister Shirley CSJD * (Shirley Hart) - Sister Treasurer

* Custodian Trustees who hold Property on behalf of the Community.

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc., City Branch, 1 St. Philips Place, Birmingham, B3 2PP

Solicitors

Messrs. Anthony Collins Solicitors, 134 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES.

Accountants

Messrs. Gibbons Mannington & Phipps LLP, 20 Eversley Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN40 1HE.

Independent Examiner

Samantha Whiting FCA, 20 Eversley Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN40 1HE.

Insurance Broker

Circle Insurance Services plc., 118 Holyhead Road, Coventry, CV1 3LY.

On behalf of the Trustees:

Sister Christine CSJD
(Mary Christine Hoverd)

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD
(Margaret Mary King)

Sister Shirley CSJD
(Shirley Hart)

Sister Ivy CSJD
(Ivy Rose Patten)

29th October 2022

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
"THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE"
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022 set out on pages 7 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's 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 required.

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 the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 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 2011 Act; 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.

Gibbons Mannington & Phipps LLP
20 Eversley Road,
Bexhill-on-Sea,
East Sussex,
TN40 1HE

Samantha Whiting
Chartered Accountant

7th November 2022

**THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:						
<i>Donations and legacies</i>						
Salaries and pensions of Sisters		49,978			49,978	49,169
Donations (inc. Gift Aid tax recoverable)		20,869	10		20,879	16,388
Job retention scheme grants					0	3,468
<i>Charitable Activities</i>						
Hospitality		750			750	0
<i>Other trading activities</i>						
Sale of work		76			76	162
<i>Investments</i>						
Listed investments		41,087		534	41,621	39,376
Cash investments		38	9		47	246
<i>Other</i>						
Royalties and advances		360			360	598
Other		800			800	25
Total income		113,958	19	534	114,511	109,432
Expenditure on:						
<i>Raising funds</i>						
Fundraising trading: Costs of Goods sold and other costs		21			21	38
<i>Charitable Activities</i>	2	87,314	810	500	88,624	80,336
Total expenditure		87,335	810	500	88,645	80,374
		26,623	(791)	34	25,866	29,058
Gains/(Losses) on investment assets						
Unrealised		111,665		1,532	113,197	208,400
Realised		0			0	0
		111,665	0	1,532	113,197	208,400
Net Income/expenditure		138,288	(791)	1,566	139,063	237,458
Transfers between funds	12	335	(335)	0	0	0
Net Movement In Funds		138,623	(1,126)	1,566	139,063	237,458
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		2,033,286	5,893	18,741	2,057,920	1,820,462
Total funds carried forward		2,171,909	4,767	20,307	2,196,983	2,057,920

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing operations.

	Notes	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6		582,347		596,355
Investments	7		1,540,973		1,322,825
Total fixed assets			2,123,320		1,919,180
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	3,915		3,994	
Investments	8	37,418		102,017	
Cash at bank and in hand		47,422		44,414	
Total Current Assets		88,755		150,425	
LIABILITIES					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	15,092		11,685	
Net current assets			73,663		138,740
Net assets			2,196,983		2,057,920
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:	11				
Unrestricted funds			2,171,909		2,033,286
Restricted funds			4,767		5,893
Endowment funds			20,307		18,741
Total charity funds			2,196,983		2,057,920

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 29th October 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Sister Christine CSJD
(Mary Christine Hoverd)

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD
(Margaret Mary King)

Sister Shirley CSJD
(Shirley Hart)

Sister Ivy CSJD
(Ivy Rose Patten)

1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charity SORP (FRS 102) '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 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue, and so the accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows

Income

Salaries and Pensions are received under deeds of covenant from the members of the Community and are stated inclusive of Income Tax but net of any deductions for Social Security payments and contributions to occupational pension schemes and are accounted for when received.

Donations are accounted for when received and tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is accounted for when the income is recognised.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for as soon as the Charity is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Interest and Dividends are accounted for when received.

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31st March.

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 a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category.

Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

1. Accounting Policies

Fixed Assets

Freehold Property has been included at cost.

Fixed Assets are being depreciated at rates appropriate to their useful economic life in each case.

These are as follows:

Freehold Property	2% on a Straight Line Basis
Furniture, Fixtures and Fitting	10% on Written Down Value
Motor Vehicles	25% on Written Down Value
Computers	33 ¹ / ₃ % on a Straight Line Basis

Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings were revalued at 1st April 1996 to more accurately reflect their current market value, this is reduced by subsequent disposals at their sale price and acquisitions are added at cost.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at market value. Gains and losses on revaluation are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Cash at Bank

Cash at bank includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

Current Asset Investments

Current Asset Investments includes cash held on deposit for investment purposes.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement value.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

Endowment fund consists of a Capital and Income Fund and the income only may be used to fulfil the object of the fund.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

**THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
2. Charitable Activities					
Grants and donations:					
Charitable	3,972		500	4,472	4,543
Non-charitable	1,394			1,394	1,459
House:					
Wages (including PAYE, NIC & Pension)	14,131			14,131	13,574
Chapel	289	10		299	167
Gas	2,718			2,718	2,746
Electricity	1,680			1,680	1,779
Council tax and water rates	2,692			2,692	2,657
Insurance	3,016			3,016	2,838
Cleaning	1,120			1,120	972
Repairs and maintenance	9,831			9,831	3,870
Telephone	861			861	912
Garden	3,937			3,937	3,374
Provisions	5,890	800		6,690	6,719
Motor expenses	2,342			2,342	2,721
Travelling	142			142	128
National insurance, pension contributions and professional subscriptions and expenses	47			47	46
Stationery and postages	2,344			2,344	2,603
Computer costs	1,053			1,053	614
Library	228			228	255
Periodicals and newspapers	484			484	440
Pet and animal expenses	1,066			1,066	1,125
Sundry expenses	250			250	205
Accountancy charges	4,368			4,368	4,248
Independent examiner's services	1,128			1,128	1,104
Depreciation:					
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	45			45	50
Computers	528			528	347
Motor vehicles	1,138			1,138	1,238
Freehold property	13,180			13,180	13,180
Personal:					
Fees and conferences	749			749	328
Sisters' allowances	4,840			4,840	4,760
Medical	1,851	0		1,851	1,334
	87,314	810	500	88,624	80,336

3. SUPPORT COSTS	2022	<i>2021</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	4,368	<i>4,248</i>
Independent examiner's fees	1,128	<i>1,104</i>
	5,496	<i>5,352</i>
	2022	<i>2021</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
4. Employees		
Wages	14,040	<i>13,494</i>
Employer's National Insurance	0	<i>0</i>
Pension contributions	91	<i>80</i>
	14,131	<i>13,574</i>

During the year none of the staff employed by the Community earned £60,000 p.a. or more.

The average number of employees during the year was 2 (2021 - 2).

5. Transactions with trustees

The living expenses of the Trustees, who are members of the Community, are borne by the Community, but the trustees received no remuneration or other benefit in connection with their duties as trustees during the year.

6. Tangible Fixed Assets - Used for the Charitable Purposes of the Community

Cost/Valuation	Freehold Property	Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings	Computers	Motor Vehicles	Total
At 1st April 2021	658,988	38,968	4,054	16,000	718,010
Additions during the year	0	0	1,083	0	1,083
Disposals during the year	0	0	0	(8,000)	(8,000)
At 31st March 2022	658,988	38,968	5,137	8,000	711,093
Depreciation					
At 1st April 2021	65,888	38,521	3,720	13,526	121,655
Charge for the year	13,180	45	528	1,138	14,891
On Disposals	0	0	0	(7,800)	(7,800)
At 31st March 2022	79,068	38,566	4,248	6,864	128,746
Net Book Value					
At 31st March 2022	579,920	402	889	1,136	582,347
At 31st March 2021	<i>593,100</i>	<i>447</i>	<i>334</i>	<i>2,474</i>	<i>596,355</i>

7. Investments (Listed)

Unrestricted Fund

59,034.81 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund Income Shares

Market value at 1st April 2021

Additions

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2022

Historical cost

Total 2022 £	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
1,204,706	997,725
100,000	0
96,790	206,981
1,401,496	1,204,706
550,494	450,494

74,732.07 Central Board of Finance Property Fund

Market value at 1st April 2021

Additions

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2022

Historical cost

98,684	96,358
4,951	4,382
15,048	(2,056)
118,683	98,684
106,254	101,303

434 Standard Life Aberdeen Ordinary 13 61/63p Shares

Market value at 1st April 2021

Capital adjustment

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2022

Historical cost

1,258	905
0	0
(173)	353
1,085	1,258
0	0

Endowment Fund

890.75 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund Income Shares

Market value at 1st April 2021

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2022

Historical cost

18,177	15,055
1,532	3,122
19,709	18,177
8,362	8,362

Summary

Unrestricted

Endowment

1,521,264	1,304,648
19,709	18,177
1,540,973	1,322,825

All Investments were held within the UK.

**THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022**

	Total 2022 £	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
8. Current asset investments		
C.B.F. deposit funds	37,418	<i>102,017</i>
9. Debtors		
Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations and trust income	2,361	<i>2,529</i>
Prepayments	1,554	<i>1,465</i>
Other debtors	0	<i>0</i>
	3,915	<i>3,994</i>
10. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
Other creditors	15,092	<i>11,685</i>
	15,092	<i>11,685</i>

11. Statement of funds	Brought forward £	Income £	Expend- iture £	Net gains/ (losses) £	Transfer £	Carried forward £
Unrestricted funds	2,033,286	113,958	(87,335)	111,665	335	2,171,909
Restricted funds						
Trinity Centre	2,286	9			(1,015)	1,280
Grant - Christian hospitality	1,000				680	1,680
Donation - Medical	15					15
Donation - Chapel	0	10	(10)			0
Donations - Food parcels	2,592		(800)			1,792
	5,893	19	(810)	0	(335)	4,767
Endowment funds						
In Memoriam trust fund						
Income fund	565	534	(500)	0	0	599
Capital fund	18,176	0	0	1,532	0	19,708
	18,741	534	(500)	1,532	0	20,307
Total funds	2,057,920	114,511	(88,645)	113,197	0	2,196,983

Details of restricted funds are as follows:

Trinity Centre

In 2009/10 and 2010/11 the Community was given donations by "The Trinity Centre (Birmingham) Limited Charity Number 519600)", a Charity which was being wound up following the termination of its original project. The donation was to be used "in supporting people or families to overcome disadvantages affecting their ability to live independently".

Christian hospitality

A grant was received from the Graces Dieu Charitable Trust in 2015/16 for the purposes of Christian hospitality.

Chapel

A donation was received during the year for the purposes of the chapel costs.

Medical

Gift Aid donations are received during the year for the purposes of medical costs of the community.

Food parcels

Funds are donated during the year to purchase food parcels which are then given to the poor and needy.

11. Statement of funds (continued)

Details of endowment funds are as follows:

In Memoriam trust fund

The In Memoriam trust fund originated in 1895 by Edward Henry Hills Esq. of Tonbridge, Kent, Hector Francis Monro Esq. of Middlesex, and Sister Henrietta Janet de la Condamine and Sister Ada Isabella Beaver, both Sisters of the Community, the income from which was to be used for the purpose of, "... providing nurses for and nursing poor persons ordinarily resident in the Town of Deptford or elsewhere in any of the Counties of Kent, Surrey or Middlesex or in the City of London and for purposes of providing food medicine and medical or surgical appliances and other things necessary for the use or benefit of such poor persons....".

12. Transfer between funds

During the course of the year a total of £800 was allocated from the Trinity Fund for the following purposes but because it is impossible to split this between accounts headings a transfer from the Trinity Centre Restricted Fund to the General Unrestricted Fund has been made. In addition £215 has been transferred which related to last year.

The uses to which these monies were put during the year were:

- Providing refreshments and food parcels for homeless and those in need.

Likewise a transfer has also been made to the Christian Hospitality Restricted Fund from the General Unrestricted Fund of £680, which is a transfer of £1,000 from the General Unrestricted Fund to correct last year and a transfer of £320 to the General Unrestricted Fund for this year.

13. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total funds 2022 £	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Tangible fixed assets	582,347	0	0	582,347	596,355
Fixed asset investments	1,521,264	0	19,709	1,540,973	1,322,825
Current assets	83,390	4,767	598	88,755	150,425
Creditors	(15,092)	0	0	(15,092)	(11,685)
	<u>2,171,909</u>	<u>4,767</u>	<u>20,307</u>	<u>2,196,983</u>	<u>2,057,920</u>

14. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:				
<i>Donations and legacies</i>				
Salaries and pensions of Sisters	49,169			49,169
Donations (inc. Gift Aid tax recoverable)	16,068	320		16,388
<i>Charitable Activities</i>				
Hospitality	3,468			3,468
<i>Other trading activities</i>				
Sale of work	162			162
<i>Investments</i>				
Listed investments	38,857		519	39,376
Cash investments	217	29		246
<i>Other</i>				
Royalties and advances	598			598
Job retention scheme grant	25			25
Total income	<u>108,564</u>	<u>349</u>	<u>519</u>	<u>109,432</u>
Expenditure on:				
<i>Raising funds</i>				
Fundraising trading: Costs of Goods sold and other costs	38			38
<i>Charitable Activities</i>	78,716	1,020	600	80,336
Total expenditure	<u>78,754</u>	<u>1,020</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>80,374</u>
	29,810	(671)	(81)	29,058
Gains/(Losses) on investment assets				
Unrealised	205,278		3,122	208,400
Realised	0			0
	<u>205,278</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,122</u>	<u>208,400</u>
Net Income/expenditure	235,088	(671)	3,041	237,458
Transfers between funds	1,500	(1,500)	0	0
Net Movement In Funds	<u>236,588</u>	<u>(2,171)</u>	<u>3,041</u>	<u>237,458</u>
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward	1,796,698	8,064	15,700	1,820,462
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>2,033,286</u></u>	<u><u>5,893</u></u>	<u><u>18,741</u></u>	<u><u>2,057,920</u></u>

THE COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE DIVINE

England & Wales - Charity number 210254

Accounts

**THE COMMUNITY OF
ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
ANNUAL REPORT
AND
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2021**

**Gibbons Mannington & Phipps LLP
Chartered Accountants
20 Eversley Road
Bexhill-on-Sea
East Sussex
TN40 1HE**

Introduction

The Community of St. John the Divine is an Anglican community currently based in Birmingham at St. John's House. It is the direct descendant of the Sisterhood of St. John the Evangelist, which was founded in 1848 and was the first Anglican Nursing Sisterhood.

Since the time of its foundation, it has always been a pioneering community. In the early years of its history, the Community played an important part in the establishing of new standards for Nursing and Midwifery, both in hospitals and in people's homes, as well as responding to health epidemics at home and abroad.

Objects

The aim of the Community of St. John the Divine is to unite under the threefold Vows of religion, women communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church in communion therewith) who feel called to dedicate their lives to the glory of God by serving the poor, the sick and dying or women in childbirth or to undertake medical, nursing or social work contributing to wholeness and health.

The Community is also desirous of establishing in its houses, centres of worship and prayer in which its members learn and practice true commitment to God and to each other in Community life. Also through its Associates and Friends to draw many men and women into fellowship with its life and work.

Policies adopted to achieve those Objects

The Community of St. John the Divine live under the three-fold Vows of Religious Life, establishing a centre of worship and prayer under the patronage of St. John the Divine, the Apostle of Love, and together with the Associates of the Community form a network of love, prayer and service.

Within the ethos of healing, wholeness and reconciliation we exercise a ministry of hospitality for people to come for times of rest, retreat and renewal and to share in the life and worship of the Community. We seek to offer a ministry of spiritual accompaniment and pastoral care, and to respond to the needs of the poor and marginalised.

Achievements and performance

INTRODUCTION

How do you write about life in lockdown?

Having reported last year that our life here in Marston Green was becoming much more settled, suddenly everything came to an abrupt halt. On March 23rd 2020 the house had to close because of the Coronavirus pandemic and has had to stay that way for the whole year. Only now in June 2021 are we, like the whole country, coming to terms with the latest Government directive that restrictions will not now be eased until July 19th 2021.

THE MINISTRY OF THE HOUSE

The house has been closed all year to visitors and we have missed them all so much. However, the Community has continued to be a hub of prayer in the diocese and to give witness to the Religious Life within the Church of England.

But how do you write about lockdown in the pandemic?

For this year we have needed to re-imagine the ministry of the house to be able to respond with so many hundreds of other people to the pain, sorrow and sadness that has overwhelmed our country and indeed our world, that has been played out daily on our T.V. screens and in our newspapers. Lockdown can easily have a sense of helplessness about it, but we have felt that, as never before, we have been praying for so many people sick, so many people dying, so many relatives fearful and unable to visit their loved ones, for the NHS and all the front-line staff working to breaking point and for the number of people dying day by day. Because it has been difficult for us to be practically involved, praying has been our offering, not only for those we know but for the thousands we have heard of through the media.

Achievements and performance (Continued)

It has been important too, to try and understand the pain of ordinary families at every level in their lives as they have tried to cope with the situation and to make ends meet as well as the effects of the pandemic on the whole economy as people have been furloughed or lost their jobs or business have been closed down. Dependence on foodbanks has rocketed. This has been one area where financially the Community has sought to give extra help to the foodbanks in this area.

Always we continue to hold prayerfully our local Clergy and Readers, both during this time of lockdown and during a time of major change in the structure of the Church in Birmingham. Financially we have continued to support four churches in the Birmingham Diocese and also have responded to appeals from charities who work both in the U.K. and overseas.

We have been impressed how so many people have responded generously to the needs of their communities showing love, care and concern for those around them for which we have joined in giving thanks.

As a Community we have sought to keep in touch with those we know by cards and letters, emails, Facetime and phone calls as well as responding to many who we do not know who have contacted us asking for prayer support, which has been a life-line to them and an important part of our ministry.

COMMUNITY

Ms Carol Newton who began to test her vocation to the Religious Life in September 2019 left the Community in August 2020 as she did not feel she was able to proceed to the Novitiate. As we are now only four Sisters in Community, it was agreed, because of our age, it was the right time to close the Novitiate as it would take anyone coming seven years to reach the point of Life Profession. However, it is hoped for some years yet, the Community will be able to continue as a hub of prayer in the diocese, a place of hospitality and spiritual accompaniment. It is also seen as a time for the remaining Sisters to simplify their life so that they can continue to live the Religious Life with integrity and within a life of prayer to make creative preparations for the future both practically and spiritually.

As a Community, during lockdown, we have been working to revise our Constitution to include the new Canon Law about Religious Life which was approved by General Synod in July 2019 and enacted in November 2020. All Religious Communities at present registered as 'Recognised' or 'Acknowledged' are now required to be registered under the new canon as a Religious Community of the Church of England. The Advisory Council as a Committee of the House of Bishops is conducting this work of registration. As a Community, we have completed our application to continue to be a 'Recognised Community of the Church of England' and have forwarded our documents to the Advisory Council. Another important addition in the Constitution has been updating the Safeguarding Regulations.

ASSOCIATES

Our Associates are an important part of our Community. They are a group of some 60 people, clergy and lay people, men and women from all walks of life who desire to have a close link with the Community and share much of its life. They are seen as our extended family. Associates come as and when they can, especially to the annual Associates' Day in May each year, a time to get to know each other more and catch up with news, as well as hearing a speaker and sharing a Eucharist together. Sadly, the meeting in May 2020 and May 2021 had to be cancelled because of the lockdown. Two people are waiting to make their commitment as Associates of the Community.

Achievements and performance (Continued)

CONCLUSION

This year has been an unprecedented and strange time, not just for us but for everyone coming to terms with a new virus. We are thankful for the successful vaccination programme and are praying that millions of people around the world will benefit from being vaccinated too. We can only now look forward to the time when we can welcome visitors back again and return to some degree of normality.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have considered their duty set out in the Charities Act to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission, and in their opinion the foregoing report on the achievements and performance demonstrates that they have complied therewith.

Financial Review

Unrestricted incoming resources for the year are £108,564 compared to £118,742 in 2019/20. Last years unrestricted income included a legacy of £10,000 and hospitality of £4,374, neither of which were received in 2020/21. The Community did however benefit from the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme grants which totalled £3,468.

Unrestricted expenditure has reduced by £39,093 from £117,847 in 2019/20 to £78,754 this year. The reason for this reduction in expenditure is the replacement kitchen costs of £37,543 which were included under major repairs in 2019/20.

Overall there was an unrestricted surplus for the year of £29,810. The shareholdings showed an unrestricted gain in their value of £205,278 at the year end

The total unrestricted funds at the year end amounted to £2,033,286 compared to £1,796,698 as at 31st March 2020.

Grants, donations and support of missionary work and ministry

Members of the Community attend and support a number of local churches and are involved with certain areas of work being undertaken by the Diocese. Through donations the Community also supports the work of the Church both at home and overseas.

Investment Policy

The major part of these reserves is invested with the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England, in its Investment Fund, Fixed Interest Securities Fund, Property Fund and Deposit Fund, with a view to providing a balanced level of income and the potential for long term capital growth. No targets have been fixed, no ethical restrictions have been applied and there are no specific legal powers of restriction.

Reserves Policy

Of the total unrestricted funds, £596,021 is represented by Functional Properties and other Fixed Assets used by the Community in the furtherance of its objects. The remaining funds of £1,437,425 represent the operating reserves, available to support the members of the Community both currently and in the future. Due to the reduction in the level of regular income and ever increasing costs the reserves need to be augmented and it is these invested reserves that provide the necessary additional income. The level of reserves required is regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Restricted funds at 31 March 2021 total £5,893.

Connected Charity

The management of the In Memoriam Trust Fund (which is registered as a subsidiary charity of the Community) rests with the Chapter. Assets belonging to the In Memoriam Trust Fund is held by the Custodian Trustees.

The Custodian Trustees during the year were:

Sister Christine CSJD (Mary Christine Hoverd)
Sister Margaret Angela CSJD (Margaret Mary King)
Sister Ivy CSJD (Ivy Rose Patten)
Sister Shirley CSJD (Shirley Hart)

The Trustees continue to receive income from the investment with Central Board of Finance and consider from time to time appropriate grants.

The total assets of the fund are £18,741

Membership of the Community

Those who become members of the Community must be communicant members of the Anglican Communion (or a church that is in communion therewith). It is important that on-going Formation is given in living the Religious Life and that each member is encouraged to develop professional skills to enhance their ministry.

Governance, Structure and Management

Governance

The Community is governed by its Chapter and maintains its connection with the Church of England and the Diocese through its "Visitor" (a Bishop of the Anglican Communion elected by The Chapter, and normally the Diocesan Bishop), two local Chaplains (also elected by The Chapter) and the Advisory Council of Relations of Bishops with Religious Communities

In terms of civil law the Charity is governed by the Constitution and Statutes of the Community of St John the Divine dated 12th April 1984 and through its Chapter, established thereunder. The Chapter consists of all the Sisters admitted to Life Vows and they, together with any elected individuals are the Trustees. The Community is a Registered Charity (Charity Registration number 210254). All Sisters, during their novitiate, and in advance of their election and all other prospective Trustees, are made aware of the Community's work and structure and the responsibilities of the Trustees and if appropriate they are also introduced to the Community's legal, accounting, investment and property advisors.

Structure and Management

The Trustees are ultimately responsible for the policies, activities and assets of the Charity

They meet regularly and make all important decisions after seeking advice from their professional and other advisors. The day to day management of the Charity's activities, and the implementation of policies is delegated to appropriate members of the Community or staff.

Risk Management

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which the Community is exposed and, where necessary, have put policies and procedures in place to mitigate the exposure to these risks. They have insured against risks that could result in financial loss or liability, and matters relating to Health and Safety are regularly reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Reference and administrative details

Working Name

CSJD

Registered Address

St. John's House, 113 Coleshill Road, Marston Green, Birmingham, B37 7HT.

Leaders of the Community

Sister Christine CSJD

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD

Trustees

The Community is governed by its Chapter which comprises all the Sisters admitted to Life Vows. The members of the Chapter during the year were:

Sister Christine CSJD * (Mary Christine Hoverd) - Joint Community Leader

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD * (Margaret Mary King) - Joint Community Leader

Sister Ivy CSJD * (Ivy Rose Patten)

Sister Shirley CSJD * (Shirley Hart) - Sister Treasurer

* Custodian Trustees who hold Property on behalf of the Community.

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc., City Branch, 1 St. Philips Place, Birmingham, B3 2PP

Solicitors

Messrs. Anthony Collins Solicitors, 134 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES.

Accountants

Messrs. Gibbons Mannington & Phipps LLP, 20 Eversley Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN40 1HE.

Independent Examiner

Carol Barfoot FCA, 20, Eversley Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN40 1HE.

Insurance Broker

Circle Insurance Services plc., 118 Holyhead Road, Coventry, CV1 3LY.

On behalf of the Trustees:

Sister Christine CSJD
(Mary Christine Hoverd)

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD
(Margaret Mary King)

Sister Shirley CSJD
(Shirley Hart)

Sister Ivy CSJD
(Ivy Rose Patten)

30th October 2021

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021 set out on pages 7 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's 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 required.

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 the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 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 2011 Act; 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.

Gibbons Mannington & Phipps LLP
20 Eversley Road,
Bexhill-on-Sea,
East Sussex,
TN40 1HE.


Carol Barfoot
Chartered Accountant

4th November 2021

THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:						
<i>Donations and legacies</i>						
Salaries and pensions of Sisters		49,169			49,169	47,783
Donations (inc. Gift Aid tax recoverable)		16,068	320		16,388	17,531
Legacy					0	10,000
Job retention scheme grants		3,468			3,468	224
<i>Charitable Activities</i>						
Hospitality					0	4,374
<i>Other trading activities</i>						
Sale of work		162			162	526
<i>Investments</i>						
Listed investments		38,857		519	39,376	39,531
Cash investments		217	29		246	449
<i>Other</i>						
Royalties and advances		598			598	352
Other		25			25	0
Total income		108,564	349	519	109,432	120,770
Expenditure on:						
<i>Raising funds</i>						
Fundraising trading: Costs of Goods sold and other costs		38			38	149
<i>Charitable Activities</i>	2	78,716	1,020	600	80,336	119,038
Total expenditure		78,754	1,020	600	80,374	119,187
		29,810	(671)	(81)	29,058	1,583
Gains/(Losses) on investment assets						
Unrealised		205,278		3,122	208,400	(26,982)
Realised		0			0	797
		205,278	0	3,122	208,400	(26,185)
Net Income/expenditure		235,088	(671)	3,041	237,458	(24,602)
Transfers between funds	12	1,500	(1,500)	0	0	0
Net Movement In Funds		236,588	(2,171)	3,041	237,458	(24,602)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		1,796,698	8,064	15,700	1,820,462	1,845,064
Total funds carried forward		2,033,286	5,893	18,741	2,057,920	1,820,462

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing operations.

	Notes	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6		596,355		610,670
Investments	7		1,322,825		1,110,043
Total fixed assets			1,919,180		1,720,713
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	3,994		4,473	
Investments	8	102,017		68,900	
Cash at bank and in hand		44,414		35,042	
Total Current Assets		150,425		108,415	
LIABILITIES					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	11,685		8,666	
Net current assets			138,740		99,749
Net assets			2,057,920		1,820,462
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:					
Unrestricted funds	11		2,033,286		1,796,698
Restricted funds			5,893		8,064
Endowment funds			18,741		15,700
Total charity funds			2,057,920		1,820,462

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 30th October 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Sister Christine CSJD (Mary Christine Hoverd)
Trustee

Sister Margaret Angela CSJD (Margaret Mary King)
Trustee

Sister Shirley CSJD (Shirley Hart)
Trustee

Sister Ivy CSJD (Ivy Rose Patten)
Trustee

1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charity SORP (FRS 102) '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 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue, and so the accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows

Income

Salaries and Pensions are received under deeds of covenant from the members of the Community and are stated inclusive of Income Tax but net of any deductions for Social Security payments and contributions to occupational pension schemes and are accounted for when received.

Donations are accounted for when received and tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is accounted for when the income is recognised.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for as soon as the Charity is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Interest and Dividends are accounted for when received.

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31st March.

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 probably that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

1. Accounting Policies

Fixed Assets

Freehold Property has been included at cost.

Fixed Assets are being depreciated at rates appropriate to their useful economic life in each case.

These are as follows:

Freehold Property	2% on a Straight Line Basis
Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings	10% on Written Down Value
Motor Vehicles	25% on Written Down Value
Computers	33 ¹ / ₃ % on a Straight Line Basis

Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings were revalued at 1st April 1996 to more accurately reflect their current market value, this is reduced by subsequent disposals at their sale price and acquisitions are added at cost.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at market value. Gains and losses on revaluation are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Cash at Bank

Cash at bank includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

Current Asset Investments

Current Asset Investments includes cash held on deposit for investment purposes.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement value.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

Endowment fund consists of a Capital and Income Fund and the income only may be used to fulfil the object of the fund.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

**THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
2. Charitable Activities					
Grants and donations:					
Charitable	3,943		600	4,543	3,286
Non-charitable	1,459			1,459	1,103
House:					
Wages (including PAYE, NIC & Pension)	13,574			13,574	13,056
Chapel	167			167	324
Gas	2,746			2,746	2,804
Electricity	1,779			1,779	1,929
Council tax and water rates	2,657			2,657	2,593
Insurance	2,838			2,838	2,722
Cleaning	972			972	1,001
Major repairs				0	37,543
Repairs and maintenance	3,870			3,870	3,026
Legal and professional fees				0	0
Telephone	912			912	583
Garden	3,374			3,374	3,506
Provisions	6,004	715		6,719	7,827
Motor expenses	2,721			2,721	3,145
Travelling	128			128	481
National insurance, pension contributions and professional subscriptions and expenses	46			46	46
Stationery and postages	2,603			2,603	2,868
Computer costs	614			614	936
Library	255			255	342
Periodicals and newspapers	440			440	556
Pet and animal expenses	1,125			1,125	1,061
Sundry expenses	205			205	585
Accountancy charges	4,248			4,248	4,032
Independent examiner's services	1,104			1,104	1,068
Annual report				0	964
Depreciation:					
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	50			50	55
Computers	347			347	181
Motor vehicles	1,238			1,238	1,238
Freehold property	13,180			13,180	13,180
Personal:					
Fees and conferences	328			328	536
Sisters' allowances	4,760			4,760	5,230
Medical	1,029	305		1,334	1,231
	78,716	1,020	600	80,336	119,038

3. SUPPORT COSTS	2021	2020
	£	£
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	4,248	4,032
Independent examiner's fees	1,104	1,068
	5,352	5,100
4. Employees	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages	13,494	12,984
Employer's National Insurance	0	0
Pension contributions	80	72
	13,574	13,056

During the year none of the staff employed by the Community earned £60,000 p.a. or more.
The average number of employees during the year was 2 (2020 - 2).

5. Transactions with trustees

The living expenses of the Trustees, who are members of the Community, are borne by the Community, but the trustees received no remuneration or other benefit in connection with their duties as trustees during the year.

6. Tangible Fixed Assets - Used for the Charitable Purposes of the Community

	Freehold Property	Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings	Computers	Motor Vehicles	Total
Cost/Valuation					
At 1st April 2020	658,988	38,968	3,554	16,000	717,510
Additions during the year	0	0	500	0	500
Disposals during the year	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st March 2021	658,988	38,968	4,054	16,000	718,010
Depreciation					
At 1st April 2020	52,708	38,471	3,373	12,288	106,840
Charge for the year	13,180	50	347	1,238	14,815
On Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st March 2021	65,888	38,521	3,720	13,526	121,655
Net Book Value					
At 31st March 2021	593,100	447	334	2,474	596,355
At 31st March 2020	606,280	497	181	3,712	610,670

7. Investments (Listed)

Unrestricted Fund

59,034.81 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund Income Shares

Market value at 1st April 2020

Additions

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2021

Historical cost

**Total
2021
£**

*Total
2020
£*

997,725

964,224

0

57,469

206,981

(23,968)

1,204,706

997,725

450,494

450,494

30,549.28 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund Fixed Interest
Fund Income Shares

Market value at 1st April 2020

Additions

Disposal

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Realised gain for the year

Historical cost

0

54,987

0

1,685

0

(57,469)

0

0

0

(797)

0

0

74,732.07 Central Board of Finance Property Fund

Market value at 1st April 2020

Additions

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2021

Historical cost

96,358

93,793

4,382

5,135

(2,056)

(2,570)

98,684

96,358

101,303

96,921

434 Standard Life Aberdeen Ordinary 13 61/63p Shares

Market value at 1st April 2020

Capital adjustment

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2021

Historical cost

905

1,086

0

0

353

(181)

1,258

905

0

0

Endowment Fund

890.75 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund Income Shares

Market value at 1st April 2020

Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year

Market value at 31st March 2021

Historical cost

15,055

15,318

3,122

(263)

18,177

15,055

8,362

8,362

Summary

Unrestricted

Endowment

1,304,648

1,094,988

18,177

15,055

1,322,825

1,110,043

All Investments were held within the UK.

**THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021**

				Total 2021 £	<i>Total 2020 £</i>	
8. Current asset investments						
C.B.F. deposit funds				102,017	68,900	
9. Debtors						
Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations and trust income				2,529	2,545	
Prepayments				1,465	1,704	
Other debtors				0	224	
				3,994	4,473	
10. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year						
Other creditors				11,685	8,666	
				11,685	8,666	
11. Statement of funds	Brought forward	Income	Expend- iture	Net gains/ (losses)	Transfer	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds	1,796,698	108,564	(78,754)	205,278	1,500	2,033,286
Restricted funds						
Trinity Centre	2,757	29			(500)	2,286
Grant - Christian hospitality	2,000				(1,000)	1,000
Donation - Medical	0	320	(305)			15
Donations - Food parcels	3,307		(715)			2,592
	8,064	349	(1,020)	0	(1,500)	5,893
Endowment funds						
In Memoriam trust fund						
Income fund	646	519	(600)	0	0	565
Capital fund	15,054	0	0	3,122	0	18,176
	15,700	519	(600)	3,122	0	18,741
Total funds	1,820,462	109,432	(80,374)	208,400	0	2,057,920

Details of restricted funds are as follows:

Trinity Centre

In 2009/10 and 2010/11 the Community was given donations by "The Trinity Centre (Birmingham) Limited Charity Number 519600)", a Charity which was being wound up following the termination of its original project. The donation was to be used "in supporting people or families to overcome disadvantages affecting their ability to live independently".

Christian hospitality

A grant was received from the Graces Dieu Charitable Trust in 2015/16 for the purposes of Christian hospitality.

Medical

Gift Aid donations are received during the year for the purposes of medical costs of the community

Food parcels

Funds are donated during the year to purchase food parcels which are then given to the poor and needy

11. Statement of funds (continued)

Details of endowment funds are as follows:

In Memoriam trust fund

The In Memoriam trust fund originated in 1895 by Edward Henry Hills Esq. of Tonbridge, Kent, Hector Francis Monro Esq. of Middlesex, and Sister Henrietta Janet de la Condamine and Sister Ada Isabella Beaver, both Sisters of the Community, the income from which was to be used for the purpose of, "... providing nurses for and nursing poor persons ordinarily resident in the Town of Deptford or elsewhere in any of the Counties of Kent, Surrey or Middlesex or in the City of London and for purposes of providing food medicine and medical or surgical appliances and other things necessary for the use or benefit of such poor persons....".

12. Transfer between funds

During the course of the year a total of £500 was allocated from the Trinity Fund for the following purposes but because it is impossible to split this between accounts headings a transfer from the Trinity Centre Restricted Fund to the General Unrestricted Fund has been made.

The uses to which these monies were put during the year were:

- Providing refreshments and food parcels for homeless and those in need.

Likewise, a transfer of £1,000 has also been made from the Christian Hospitality Restricted Fund to the General Unrestricted Fund.

13. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total funds 2021 £	<i>Total funds 2020 £</i>
Tangible fixed assets	596,355	0	0	596,355	<i>610,670</i>
Fixed asset investments	1,304,648	0	18,177	1,322,825	<i>1,110,043</i>
Current assets	143,968	5,893	564	150,425	<i>108,415</i>
Creditors	(11,685)	0	0	(11,685)	<i>(8,666)</i>
	<u>2,033,286</u>	<u>5,893</u>	<u>18,741</u>	<u>2,057,920</u>	<i><u>1,820,462</u></i>

14. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:				
<i>Donations and legacies</i>				
Salaries and pensions of Sisters	47,783			47,783
Donations (inc. Gift Aid tax recoverable)	16,081	1,450		17,531
Legacy	10,000			10,000
<i>Charitable Activities</i>				
Hospitality	4,374			4,374
<i>Other trading activities</i>				
Sale of work	526			526
<i>Investments</i>				
Listed investments	39,027		504	39,531
Cash investments	375	74		449
<i>Other</i>				
Royalties and advances	352			352
Job retention scheme grant	224			224
Total income	<u>118,742</u>	<u>1,524</u>	<u>504</u>	<u>120,770</u>
Expenditure on:				
<i>Raising funds</i>				
Fundraising trading: Costs of Goods sold and other costs	149			149
<i>Charitable Activities</i>	117,698	740	600	119,038
Total expenditure	<u>117,847</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>119,187</u>
	895	784	(96)	1,583
Gains/(Losses) on investment assets				
Unrealised	(26,719)		(263)	(26,982)
Realised	797			797
	<u>(25,922)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(263)</u>	<u>(26,185)</u>
Net Income/expenditure	<u>(25,027)</u>	<u>784</u>	<u>(359)</u>	<u>(24,602)</u>
Transfers between funds	1,500	(1,500)	0	0
Net Movement In Funds	<u>(23,527)</u>	<u>(716)</u>	<u>(359)</u>	<u>(24,602)</u>
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward	1,820,225	8,780	16,059	1,845,064
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>1,796,698</u></u>	<u><u>8,064</u></u>	<u><u>15,700</u></u>	<u><u>1,820,462</u></u>