
SWAFFHAM TOWN ESTATE
Registered Charity no. 211895

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6TH APRIL 2024**

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
YEAR ENDED 06 APRIL 2024

Registered Charity no. 211895

Address: 11 London Street
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Trustees: S C Fowler - Chairman
A Adcock
S Matthews
R Clarke
J Allen
S K Fowler
P Darby
D Tallon
J Buckley-Stevens

Independent Examiner: Hayhow and Co
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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 6th April 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the charity are:

- To relieve poverty in the town of Swaffham by the provision of pensions
- Maintenance of religion in the town of Swaffham
- Improvement of the amenity of the town of Swaffham

In order to meet the objectives of the charity income is to be applied as follows:

- 5/9ths allocated to the pension fund
- 2/9ths allocated to the Swaffham Church Fabric account
- 1/9th allocated to the Churchwardens
- 1/9th allocated to the Town improvement fund

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

The charity is governed by its constitution, which was adopted in November 1976. It was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission in 1962.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEES

Nominative trustees shall be appointed by the Town council of Swaffham. Co-operative trustees are appointed by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting.

TRUSTEES

The charity trustees during the year were as follows:

S C Fowler - Chairman
A Adcock
S Matthews
R Clarke
J Allen
S K Fowler
P Darby
D Tallon
J Buckley-Stevens

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

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

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

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

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 26th September 2024 and signed on their behalf

S C FOWLER - TRUSTEE: S.C. Fowler

SWAFFHAM TOWN ESTATE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 06 APRIL 2024

	Notes	Restricted Fund 2024 £	Unrestricted Fund 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>					
Charitable activities		24,711		24,711	27,200
Investments		649		649	116
Total Income	3	25,360	-	25,360	27,316
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>					
Charitable activities	4	30,292		30,292	24,043
Governance costs	5	684		684	612
Total Expenditure		30,976	-	30,976	24,655
Net income/(expenditure)		(5,616)		(5,616)	2,661
Total funds brought forward		57,218		57,218	54,557
Total funds carried forward		51,602	-	51,602	57,218

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 6 to 13 form part of these accounts

SWAFFHAM TOWN ESTATE
BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDED 06 APRIL 2024

		<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>
		£	£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>		-		-
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>				
Debtors	6	12,050		13,600
Cash at bank		<u>57,544</u>		<u>63,885</u>
		69,594		77,485
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>				
Creditors	7	<u>17,992</u>		<u>20,267</u>
		17,992		20,267
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>		51,602		57,218
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>51,602</u>		<u>57,218</u>
<u>FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</u>				
Unrestricted Reserves		-		-
Restricted Reserves		51,602		57,218
<u>TOTAL FUNDS</u>		<u>51,602</u>		<u>57,218</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 26th September 2024 and signed on their behalf

S C FOWLER - TRUSTEE: S C Fowler

1. Principal Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014
- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Change in basis of accounting

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

1.3 Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1 Incoming Resources

All income is recognised on a receivable basis. No income is shown net of expenditure.

2.2 Fund Accounting

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

2.3 Resources Expended

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is legal or constructive obligations to pay for expenditure. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly expenditure is shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Expenses are apportioned where necessary. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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	Restricted 2024 £	Unrestricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
3 Incoming Resources				
Charitable Activities				
Rental Income	24,100	-	24,100	27,200
Wayleaves	611	-	611	-
Direct Credit	-	-	-	-
Investments				
Interest	649	-	649	116
Total	25,360	-	25,360	27,316

	Restricted 2024 £	Unrestricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
4 Charitable Activities				
Pensions	13,110	-	13,110	14,205
Land Fees	1,049	-	1,049	792
Admin Expenses	704	-	704	360
PCC Contribution	5,705	-	5,705	5,814
Town Council for street furniture	7,430	-	7,430	
Churchwarden Contribution	2,294	-	2,294	2,872
	30,292	-	30,292	24,043

5 Governance costs				
Accountancy	684	-	684	612

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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6 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Rent	12,050	13,600
	<u>12,050</u>	<u>13,600</u>

7 Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade Creditors	-	-
Accruals	1,161	2,820
Churchwardens	8,993	6,698
PCC	7,838	10,749
	<u>17,992</u>	<u>20,267</u>

8 Unrestricted Funds

	Balance at 7.4.22 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Balance at 6.4.23 £
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

9 Restricted Funds

	Notes	Balance at 7.4.23 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Balance at 6.4.24 £
Gross Estate	12	-	1,981	1,981		-
Pension Account	13	34,853	12,628	13,338		34,143
Town improvement	14	22,365	2,753	7,658		17,460
Swaffham Church	15	-	7,999	7,999		-
		<u>57,218</u>	<u>25,360</u>	<u>30,976</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,602</u>
Total Funds		<u>57,218</u>	<u>25,360</u>	<u>30,976</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,602</u>

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13 Pensions Account	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Gross Estate:		
Pension Account	12,628	14,358
Interest Received	-	4
	<u>12,628</u>	<u>14,362</u>
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
Accountancy	228	204
Pensions	13,110	14,205
	<u>13,338</u>	<u>14,409</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	(710)	(47)
Total funds brought forward	35,104	35,151
Total funds carried forward	<u>34,394</u>	<u>35,104</u>

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14 Town Improvement Account	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Gross Estate:		
Town improvement	2,526	2,872
Bank Interest	227	41
	<u>2,753</u>	<u>2,913</u>
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
Accountancy	228	204
Town Council for street furniture	7,430	-
	<u>7,658</u>	<u>204</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	- 4,905	2,709
Total funds brought forward	22,358	19,649
Total funds carried forward	<u>17,453</u>	<u>22,358</u>

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15 Swaffham Parish Church

2024

2023

£

£

RECEIPTS

Gross Estate:

Swaffham Church Fabric account
Religious and charitable purposes
Bank deposit interest

5,051

5,743

2,526

2,872

422

71

7,999

8,686

PAYMENTS

Parochial Church Council
Churchwardens

✓ 5,473

5,814

✓ 2,526

2,872

7,999

8,686

Net income/(expenditure)

-

-

Total funds brought forward

-

-

Total funds carried forward

-

-

SWAFFHAM TOWN ESTATE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SWAFFHAM TOWN ESTATE

YEAR ENDED 06 APRIL 2024

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 6th April 2024, which are set out on pages 1 to 13.

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

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 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act') and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: