

GEORGIAN SOCIETY FOR EAST YORKSHIRE

England & Wales · Charity number 213302

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1963-02-28

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PRESERVE ANCIENT BUILDINGS ESPECIALLY GEORGIAN, IN THE EAST RIDING DISTRICT OF YORKSHIRE AND TO AROUSE INTEREST IN THEM.

Activities: Monitoring of and commenting on planning applications which have an impact on buildings in Kingston upon Hull and the East Riding of Yorkshire from the Georgian era. Supporting the publication of books and archiving of material with relevance to the Georgian era in Kingston upon Hull and the East Riding of Yorkshire. Organising visits to buildings & talks with Georgian connections.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- East Riding Of Yorkshire
- Kingston Upon Hull City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£9,693	£32,505	-	-
2024-12-31	£9,601	£17,791	-	-
2023-12-31	£43,940	£25,850	-	-
2022-12-31	£163,613	£2,631	-	-
2021-12-31	£68,041	£10,778	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
PROFESSOR ROGER LEWIS	Chair	
ARTHUR GRAVES CREDLAND		2014-02-08
CHRISTOPHER ROBERT MEAD		
DAVID ALEXANDER PENNIE		2024-09-04
DR DAVID RICHARD JOSEPH NEAVE		2014-02-08
Dr Susan Anne Neave		2024-09-04
Iris Lilian Pennie		2024-09-04
JOHN DAVID SCOTNEY		2024-09-04

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Chairman's report for 2023

This has been another busy year for the Society as activities fully recovered from the impact of Covid and as we have made decisions on how to develop our objectives by use of the legacy from Margaret Dibb. I cover these and other key issues in the following sections.

Finances

We use the money from members' subscriptions to maintain our running costs. These are relatively low (mainly postage and printing). Our members (including officers and committee members) give of their time entirely without cost - a major commitment which we should acknowledge and not take for granted.

Margaret Dibb's legacy has enabled us to extend our range of activities in advancing our purposes as a charity. In all cases we ensure that not only is the Society acknowledged but that, whenever appropriate, Margaret's name is also used (as a kind of living memorial). We are deploying Margaret's money carefully and strategically - as we will continue to do with any money given or bequeathed to our society.

Uses of the Dibb bequest

Margaret Dibb's bequest has been used in a number of ways. Firstly, it enables us to give our members a more ambitious annual programme of visits and talks (see the sections on 2023 and 2024 below). Secondly, we have been able to help with the restoration of two major Georgian monuments (to the Pease family, in St Mary Lowgate and to the Thompson family in St Mary's Cottingham). Thirdly, we have made an offer to support the archiving of the

papers of Francis Johnson and Partners, a firm of architects that worked on many Georgian buildings in the area. The aim is to make the archive accessible to the public. Fourthly, we have been able to restart our Journal - the second issue dedicated to Barbara English, a member and a well-known and respected historian who has published many articles and books relevant to our period and to our locality; we wish Barbara (who celebrated her 90th birthday in 2023) many more happy and productive years. And finally we have been able to promote the Society more widely (for example by redeveloping the website and by sponsoring the New Paths Festival in September) thereby reaching new audiences with the aim of increasing our membership.

Development Officer

Sarah Curtis is into her second year in this role. As well as helping us put together our annual programme, Sarah is researching and designing new activities with the hope of expanding our membership. This has involved collaboration with other organisations, including relevant parts of East Riding of Yorkshire Council. In 2023 this included a concert of Georgian music (string quartets by Haydn and Hensel) held at Beverley's largely 18th century Guildhall; in 2024 we hope to stage a family event to include an exhibition at the Guildhall, talks, demonstrations, dancing and costumes.

Membership

We have increased membership by over 10% since our previous AGM, when numbers were reported at 100 (they are now 112). This can be attributed to our enhanced activity and profile during 2023. Building membership (and particularly attracting younger members) remains a key objective. We lack email addresses for some members so can I encourage you again to let us have that, so we can keep in touch with you, especially if arrangements for visits change at the last moment; you can do this by sending details to info@gsey.org.uk We need members not just for financial reasons but also to provide 'critical mass', for example in making our various events viable. The larger the membership the more likely it is we can maintain a lively and active committee. I intend to say more on the particular need to recruit new committee members when I give this report at the AGM.

What we did in 2023

The speaker following the AGM was Dr Christopher Webster; his theme was Late Georgian Churches, on which he had recently published a detailed and lavishly illustrated book. As is now customary, we followed the AGM and lecture (now known as the Margaret Dibb lecture) with conversation, scones and tea.

March saw us at Sewerby, a house easy for the public to access but we always try to add value to our visits and develop tours of specific Georgian interest - as in this case. Our first 'Georgian concert' was also in March. This was well-attended and met our objective of enabling contact with potential new members; several people joined GSEY after the concert.

In May we were able to take members to a house not normally open to the public. Knedlington Old Hall is an artisan-mannerist building with elaborate gables, dating from the 17th century. The two owners Phil and Michael Thomas, who have carried out much sympathetic restoration work on the house and garden, gave the guided tour. After the tour we were able to talk informally to them over delicious home-made cakes.

Our discussions with the Friends of St Mary Lowgate, over the restoration of the Pease monument led to guided tours of the church and its monuments (many to Hull merchants) together with an interesting talk on the restoration of the building - which has turned it into a comfortable as well as a more sustainable building.

In July we went by coach to three churches (Harpham, Burton Agnes and Boynton) to look at painted glass of the Georgian period, designed by William Peckitt. At Boynton we also had a guided tour of the exterior of Boynton Hall before tea in the church hall (where not only cakes were on offer but also excellent preserves made in the village). We owe David Neave thanks for planning this unusual tour which widened our understanding of a lesser known art of the Georgian period (and, along the way, also showing us some fine monuments and furnishings of our period) We were fortunate to have an excellent additional guide in Professor Sarah Brown (of the University of York and the York Glaziers Trust).

Our autumn programme began in September with two tours of Filey; in the morning the Old Town and in the afternoon New Filey,

the late Georgian-early Victorian resort which grew up around the fishing village because of its picturesque setting in a sheltered bay with the rock promontory of the Brigg. In November we enjoyed an interesting and comprehensive talk by John Scotney on Georgian Hull Revisited, followed by tea. In December we supported a Georgian Christmas music concert at Cottingham. This was another good use of Dibb money - we met the costs of music hire, programme notes and refreshments. This was an excellent example of collaboration - enabling St Mary's Cottingham to mount an event to raise money for the church and GSEY to make its presence known and potentially to recruit new members.

What we plan to do in 2024

You will receive the 2024 programme with this report so I won't repeat what is there, rather encourage you to book early for a range of interesting events. These include lectures on topics of Georgian interest (such as Louise Wickham on Thomas White the landscape gardener and Susan Neave on John Courtney, the Beverley Georgian gentleman); access to houses not normally open to the public, shown over by their owners (as with Bridlington and Boynton) and guided tours of Goole, a Georgian town.

In addition we have two innovative events: a 'Georgian day' at the Guildhall and a day conference on Immanuel Kant and Hull (to celebrate the tercentenary of Kant's birth). This is another example of the benefits of collaboration, involving not only local organisations (the Hull History Centre and the University of Hull Maritime History Trust) but also internationally (the Friends of Kant and Konigsberg).

Thanks

I must end, as I usually do, with thanks to the people who have made all this possible in 2023. These include members of the committee, officers and those responsible for organising visits and publications, including David and Susan Neave for their work on the Journal, Austen Redman for his continuing input to planning and the website and Sarah Curtis our development officer.

Roger Lewis, January 2024

The Georgian Society for East Yorkshire

**Statement of Receipts and Payments
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

	2023	2022
Receipts	£	£
Members subscriptions	828	690
Income from events	1,854	828
Proceeds of sale of books/DVDs	75	10
Beverley Town Map		1,231
Donations	274	49
M Dibb bequest	40,052	160,266
Interest received	857	539
Total receipts	<u>£ 43,940</u>	<u>£ 163,613</u>
Payments		
Expenses of events	2,449	789
Printing, stationery, postage and Officers' expenses	1,314	908
Books		100
Insurance	298	283
Plaques/Memorials	7,427	414
New Paths Music	5,000	
Historic map of Beverley		-
Annual General Meeting	170	-
Accountancy and examinations fee	50	50
Website development	1,487	
Project officer (S Curtis)	7,560	
Bank charges	95	87
Total payments	<u>£ 25,850</u>	<u>£ 2,631</u>
Net of receipts (payments)	18,090	160,981
Cash funds last year end	242,004	81,023
Cash funds this year end	<u>£ 260,094</u>	<u>£ 242,004</u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

31 December 2023

	2023	2022
Cash funds	£	£
HSBC plc Current account	31,492	14,259
Virgin Charity account	143,602	227,745
Skipton Building Society	85,000	
	<u>£ 260,094</u>	<u>£ 242,004</u>

Approved by the Executive Committee on
and signed on their behalf by

Independent Examiners Report to the

Executive Committee of the Georgian Society For East Yorkshire

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Georgian Society for East Yorkshire (the Charity) for the year ending 31st December 2023

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the executive committee of the Charity 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 Charities accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect :

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

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



James Moore

7 September 2024

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Offham Village Hall Management committee
AGM 8th March 2023
Trustees report

This year saw the return of a full range of activities at the Village Hall with a recovery of usage similar to pre-pandemic levels. Although many clubs had lower attendance initially, this has improved and the majority of hirers are doing well. The village hall cinema has returned and is well attended.

The village hall committee was asked by the Parish council to organise the village Queens Platinum Jubilee celebration, this was a great success and enjoyed by all, 76 children attended and sat at tables on Church Road outside the Village Hall. Many residents volunteered to support this very successful community event.

2022 also saw the return of the Steam Rally, despite very poor weather the sales of breakfasts and homemade cake went well and the introduction of craft stalls in the main hall was very well received, the stall holders are keen to return next year.

Following a comparison of other village halls hire rates our charges were increased at the beginning of 2022, the first increase since 2019.

The Village Hall Committee agreed to waive the annual stipend of £1000 from the Parish Council so that the money could be used for other village projects. We are also currently working with the Parish council to resolve issues regarding land ownership on the site of the village hall, we hope this will be concluded in 2023.

The committee has overseen the following maintenance updates during the year:

- A WIFI system was installed and is now available to users of the hall
- Heater switches were upgraded in the main hall and kitchen to ensure more efficient energy use
- External cameras were installed covering the car park
- The main hall floor was re-varnished and re-sealed
- The handrail by the committee room entrance was repainted
- A new key safe was installed outside the front entrance
- A number of replacement double glazed windows were installed

Later in 2023 the committee plans to resurface the village hall car park as it is in poor condition.

We are pleased to say that the hall is now as busy as ever and continues to be the centre of Offham community life. The hall is in a good state of maintenance and a secure financial position and I am very grateful to the management team for all their hard work this year, we have worked really well together and I'm very proud of what we've achieved.

Janette Burnard (Chair)

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Statement of Receipts and Payments
for the year ending 31 December 2022

	2022
Receipts	£
Members Subscriptions	690
Income from Events	828
Proceeds from Sale of Books/DVDs	10
Beverley Town Map	1,231
Donations	49
M Dibb Bequest	160,266
AGM Visitors	
Interest Received	539
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£ <u>163,613</u>
Payments	
Event Expenses	789
Printing, Stationery, Postage and Officers Expenses	908
Books	100
Insurance	283
Plaque	414
Historic Map of Beverley	-
Annual General Meeting	-
Accountancy and examination fees	50
Bank Charges	87
	£ <u>2,631</u>
Surplus for the year	160,982
Funds brought forward	81,023

Total funds

£ 242,005

	2021	
	£	
	945	
	-	827.5
	26	
	-	1231
	62	
	66,952	
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	46	
£	<u>68,041</u>	172
	-	
	97	
	-	
	358	
	-	
	10,000	
	323	
	-	
	-	
£	<u>10,778</u>	
	57,263	
	23,760	

£ 81,023

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities
31 December 2022

	2022 £
Cash Funds	
HSBC pls Current Account	14,259
Virgin Charity Account	227,745
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Honorary Treasurer Dated

Honorary Secretary Dated

2021
£

25,105

55,918

81,023

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Dear Member,

I last wrote to you in April 2020, confirming the cancellation (or, we had hoped, the postponement) of the 2020 Events programme. We had managed to hold our 2020 AGM - with an interesting talk and an excellent tea enjoyed by all who attended. And that was our one and only 2020 event.

When I wrote that letter I was expecting things to be back to 'normal' by the autumn. How wrong that was. As I write 10 months later, we are still 'locked' in our houses, unable to shop for anything other than basics, unable to have haircuts, visit the theatre, go to an art gallery, or cinema. As soon as things change for the better (and remain stable) we will contact you with notice of GSEY events.

Last April I drew your attention to our website and said we would try to keep you in touch with the world of the Georgians via specially-commissioned written contributions. I hope you have enjoyed the results. Between March and December we managed more than one item a month. These included articles on '18th century novels and other literature', 'Gentleman Jack and the East Riding', 'A Georgian courtship', 'Unrest in the Georgian countryside', 'Hymns and their tunes during the Georgian period'(two articles), 'My encounters with 'Georgian literature', 'Two 18th century elopements in the Beverley area', 'A not very Georgian Jane Austen', 'The great Yorkshire election of 1807', 'Winters in Georgian East Riding' and 'Christmas in Georgian East Riding'. I hope you enjoyed them and felt this was a way of keeping contact with the society and with the Georgian period. I'd like to thank the authors: Stephen Deas, David and Susan Neave, Jane Payne and Julian Savory; also thanks to Austen Redman who makes sure the website is up-to-date and well-stocked with fresh information. Please keep checking our website as further such material will appear.

Which brings me to my next point: to remind you to let us have your email address. This makes it so much easier for us to contact you frequently and quickly. Could you send the address to info@gsey.org.uk. We use this only for essential membership information, such as details of visits and to keep you up-to-date with other relevant activities. When we have enough members using email we will run some events via Zoom, enabling you to sit in the comfort of your home and take part in lectures, recitals, performances via an electronic link.

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Please also use email to keep us in touch with your own news; we are always interested to have news of our members' activities. And let us know your ideas on how we can best run the Society in these difficult times.

One of our objectives as a society is to monitor planning applications when these are relevant to our period. Please keep your eyes and ears open for developments that may affect Georgian buildings or their settings and send any information to info@gsey.org.uk

The subscription year began on the 1st of January. If you pay by standing order, many thanks - as (like giving us your email address) this makes it much easier for us. If you still pay by cash or cheque can I ask you to consider converting your payment to the standing order method? You can do this by contacting your bank and instructing them to pay your subscription at the beginning of January each year to the following account:

HSBC bank, ac name Georgian Society for East Yorkshire, sort code 40 10 12, ac number 61166670.

You can also use this information to make payments to the Society by direct bank transfer. Please ensure that a clear reference is included in payments by standing order or bank transfer, showing your name and the nature of the payment, eg Subscription, Donation or Visit. The current subscription rate is £15 per person or £25 for two or more members living at the same address.

Finally, I must report the death of two members - both lived long and active lives and were enthusiastic supporters of GSEY; in mourning their deaths we recall their contributions with thanks.

Joan Marshall died just short of her 102nd birthday. She was probably our oldest member - and the longest serving (she had been a member for over 60 years). She served on the committee in the 1960s and 1970s and at one time was Membership Secretary (when the Society had over 500 members). She helped organize and run the visits programme and she convened coffee mornings for the society. Her husband's family were whitening manufacturers based at the chalk quarry at Hessle. Herbert Houlden Marshall was managing director of the firm when he and Joan became engaged in 1941 (at that time Joan was a bank clerk).

Margaret Dibb, born in October 1920, died during 2019. Her family had a toy shop/tobacconists at 22 Cottingham Road. Margaret appears on the household record in 1939 as sales assistant in an electrical showroom; she went on to qualify as a solicitor at the age of 30 (the first women solicitors qualified in 1922; now 51% of solicitors are women). In 1965 she became the first woman partner in the firm of Rollit, Farrell and Bladon (now Rollits). She lived for many years at Leicester Lodge, Cherry Burton, before going into a home in that village for the final year or so of her life. She loved the arts and would fly to see art exhibitions abroad; she was a regular at Hull New Theatre. Margaret has named the Society in her will as one of the beneficiaries.

Roger Lewis
Chairman

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021
Receipts	£
Members subscriptions	945
Income from events	-
Proceeds of sale of books/DVDs	26
Donations	62
M Dibb bequest	66,952
AGM visitors	10
Interest received	46
Total receipts	<u>£ 68,041</u>
Payments	
Expenses of events	
Printing, stationery, postage and Officers' expenses	97
Books	
Insurance	358
Historic map of Beverley	10,000
Annual General Meeting	323
Accountancy and examinations fee	
Total payments	<u>£ 10,778</u>
Net of receipts (payments)	57,263
Cash funds last year end	23,760
Cash funds this year end	<u>£ 81,023</u>

2020
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78

£ 1,250

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323

167

50

£ 917

333

23,427

£ 23,760

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities 31 December 2021

	2021
Cash funds	£
HSBC plc Current account	25,105
Virgin Charity account	55,918
	<u>£ 81,023</u>

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2020

£

7,888

15,872

£ 23,760

Independent Examiner's Report to the Executive Committee of The Georgian Society for East Yorkshire

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the executive committee of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that an audit is not required for this year under S43(2) of the Cha (Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- Examine the accounts (under section 43 (3) (a) of the Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the (commissioners (under section 43 (7) (b) of the 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 C Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the 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 such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view of the accounts.

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
to keep accounting records in accordance with Sect 41 of the Act ; and
to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with
accounting requirements of the 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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