

HEREFORDSHIRE MASONIC CHARITY ASSOCIATION

MASONIC HALL, KYRLE STREET, HEREFORD

Registered Number – 218677

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023**

To the trustees of the Herefordshire Masonic Charity Association.

As the Charity Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of accounts; you consider that the audit requirements of section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply to this charity. It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43 (7) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to our attention.

The Accounts are set out on pages 2,3 &4. Our 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 such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts. In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention ;

1. Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met or
2. To which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signed A S T Body

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Signed J S Jones

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Date

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To the trustees of the Herefordshire Masonic Charity Association.

The Executive Committee and Trustees of the Association who acted during the period covered by this report were as follows;

M T Holland	President	1 January to 31 December 2023
G C King	Dep Provincial Grand Master	1 January to 31 December 2023
T R Bridgeland-Taylor	General Secretary	1 January to 31 December 2023
D Gwynne	Assistant General Secretary	1 January to 31 December 2023
M I Bennett	Treasurer	1 January to 31 December 2023
A S T Body	Provincial Grand Treasurer	1 January to 31 December 2023
D E Preddy	Provincial Grand Secretary	1 January to 31 December 2023

The executive has powers to co-opt.

Governing Document:

The association is governed by its Rules and Regulations as agreed in Annual General Meeting and with the approval of the Charity Commissioners.

New Trustees:

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master and Provincial Grand Secretary are appointed annually by the President.

The General Secretary, Assistant General Secretary, Treasurer and Provincial Grand Treasurer are elected annually.

Objects of the Charity:

To support Masonic Charities together with any other Charity which has the approval and recommendation of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Herefordshire and to assist in any matter whatsoever necessitous Freemasons (including serving brethren), their widows and dependant relatives of Freemasons or deceased Freemasons.

Activities and achievements:

The activities and achievements of the Association during the year are set out in the General Secretary's report, which forms part of these accounts.

Declaration: The Trustees have approved the above report.

Signature:

Full Name:

Position: President

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Receipts and Payment account for the year ended 31st December 2023

	Total	General	Restricted	Total	General	Restricted
	31-Dec-23			31-Dec-22		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Lodge contributions:-						
Gift Aided donations	854.22	427.11	427.11	910.74	0.00	910.74
Gift Aid refunded	561.80	354.14	207.66	347.37	178.76	168.61
Donations	13770.23	12613.97	1156.26	9321.00	8163.40	1157.60
Sponsored Ride	6353.64	6353.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
A Fund	500.00	0.00	500.00	4935.99	0.00	4935.99
Transfer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-6.62	6.62
	22039.89	19748.86	2291.03	15515.10	8335.54	7179.56
Other Donations & Income						
Interest Received	1571.98	1571.98	0.00	568.19	568.19	0.00
Cathedral alms (2022-2 years)	499.00	499.00	0.00	918.92	918.92	0.00
PGL Alms	769.96	769.96	0.00	642.50	642.50	0.00
Kingswood Chapter	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00
Sherbourne Chapter	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Hay Chapter	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Donations from individuals	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00
PGL Festival Surplus	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
PGL accessory sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	71.00	71.00	0.00
Ledbury Rose Croix	20.00	20.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	0.00
Ist Principals Chapter	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
St Peters Chapter	750.00	750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hfds Masonic Golf	245.00	0.00	245.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Kirkwood Scroll lectures	100.00	100.00	0.00			
ANO	2505.00	2505.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Denis Cox collection	420.00	420.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Backs	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.97	240.97	0.00
	7880.94	7635.94	245.00	5961.58	5961.58	0.00
Payments						
Donations:-						
Teddies for Loving Care	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.96	0.00	16.96
Riding for the disabled	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00
Born Sleeping appeal	0.00	0.00	0.00	1085.00	0.00	1085.00
Parkinsons Society	0.00	0.00	0.00	1085.00	0.00	1085.00
High Sheriff charity	500.00	500.00	0.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00
Hinton Community Association	0.00	0.00	0.00	1350.00	1350.00	0.00
St Michaels Hospice	217.00	0.00	217.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00
Black Marston School	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00
Warm Centre support	0.00	0.00	0.00	855.35	855.35	0.00
Hereford Veterans	3750.00	2000.00	1750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hereford Cathedral	2000.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MS Therapy centre	875.00	875.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MARS	750.00	750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wye Play	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Monmouth Festival	1500.00	0.00	1500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Food Banks	800.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	11892.00	8425.00	3467.00	8392.31	6205.35	2186.96
Expenses						
Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	33.00	33.00	0.00
Total Payments	11892.00	8425.00	3467.00	8425.31	6238.35	2186.96
B Fund Summary						
Surplus/-deficit for the period	18028.83	18959.80	-930.97	13051.37	8058.77	4992.60
Opening Bank Balances	72058.48	49863.97	22194.51	59007.11	41805.20	17201.91
Closing Bank Balances	90087.31	68823.77	21263.54	72058.48	49863.97	22194.51

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Summary of assets and commitments as at 31st December 2023

	Total	General	Restricted	Total	General	Restricted
	31-Dec-23			31-Dec-22		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Current Assets						
HSBC cheque account	0.00			22083.53		
Lloyds instant access	16786.07			9240.11		
MCF Relief Chest	1083.32			0.00		
C.O.I.F. general	31465.29			932.01		
Cambridge & Counties	40752.33			39802.83		
Total current assets	90087.01	68803.47	21283.54	72058.48	49863.97	22194.51
Current commitments						
A Fund	3935.99		3935.99	4935.99		4935.99
St. Michaels Hospice	0.00		0.00	217.00		217.00
Housing Trust (HMHT)	13500.00		13500.00	13500.00		13500.00
Teddies for loving care	2089.18		2089.18	1624.18		1624.18
Palladian suspense account	375.00		375.00	375.00		375.00
Farming Minds	87.00		87.00	0.00		0.00
Palladian 2022	0.00		0.00	1542.34		1542.32
Palladian 2023	1296.37		1296.37	0.00		0.00
Total current commitments	21283.54	0.00	21283.54	22194.51	0.00	22194.49
General Fund	68803.47	68803.47	0.00	49863.97	49863.97	0.02