

Annual Report for the Micklepage Trust December 2022

The chair and trustees of the Micklepage Trust are happy to report that the Trust can continue to meet its charitable objectives following the challenges presented by Covid 19 lockdown and subsequent lack of income over a protracted period.

The good governance provided by the trustees, assisted by volunteers, well-wishers and contractors enabled the trust to weather the storm of uncertainty that was caused by the necessity of lockdown and social distancing.

The existence of solid reserves and good fiscal management, past and present, enabled the trust to continue in its objectives of providing a place of community and peaceful reflection for a diverse cross section of society. Many parish, school and family groups benefitted from the environment provided by the trust to renew mind, body and spirit when eventually group gathering was reauthorised by our government and health advisors.

This success was augmented by the trusts successful efforts to engage committed local contractors and neighbour volunteers to assist in day-to-day maintenance and management of the trust's building and grounds. We are eternally grateful to them.

Recruitment of Trustees

The trust has been successful in recruiting new trustees to the board (Micklepage Council). Some of these have a long association with the trust as past users, or visitors and we are delighted to have this association which we trust will enable the unique ethos of Micklepage to continue for future generations.

Future plans

The trust continues to review its practice and policy to enable the widest access and enjoyment of the charity service. Following the successful improvements to accessibility in the farmhouse the trust turns its attention to the possibility of raising funds to review and improve accessibility across both buildings. In addition, we are seeking to improve our website to allow improved access to bookings.

Environmental matters

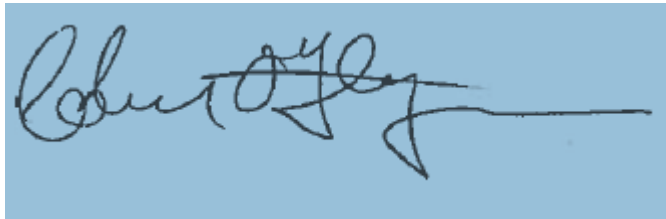
The trust is aware of its duty of stewardship of the natural environment and landscape surrounding the trust land. The trust has reached out to local conservation groups for advice and assistance and drawn on the expertise of trust members in this regard.

The trust has been vigilant and successfully contributed to local community objections to inappropriate local development that we successfully argued would negatively affect the trusts objectives and the unique conservation value of the trusts site.

Next steps

The trustees will continue in our efforts to ensure the fulfilment our charitable objectives.

Signed

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Colm O'Flynn

Chair of Trustees

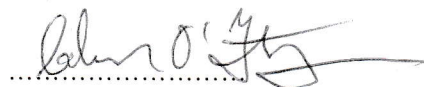
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The Micklepage Trust


Balance Sheet
31 December 2022

	31.12.22		31.12.21	
	£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS				
Bank account	36,346		27,885	
Bank account no. 2	<u>52,169</u>		<u>51,970</u>	
		<u>88,515</u>		<u>79,855</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>88,515</u>		<u>79,855</u>
FINANCED BY				
FUNDS ACCOUNT				
Brought forward	79,858		79,684	
Add				
SURPLUS	<u>8,657</u>		<u>171</u>	
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We approve the financial statements and confirm that we have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.


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Chair

The Micklepage Trust
5 April 2024


J Wiser
Treasurer

The Micklepage Trust

Income and Expenditure Account
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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	£	£	£
Income		30,718	19,866
Other income			
Deposit account interest		<u>329</u>	<u>8</u>
		31,047	19,874
 Expenditure			
Other direct costs	2,668		362
Rates and water	1,203		1,199
Insurance	2,626		2,464
Light and heat	6,739		7,100
Repairs to property	1,133		1,557
Telephone	199		-
Repairs and renewals	7,309		6,675
Sundry expenses	<u>432</u>		<u>250</u>
		<u>22,309</u>	<u>19,607</u>
		8,738	267
 Finance costs			
Bank charges		<u>81</u>	<u>96</u>
 Surplus		<u><u>8,657</u></u>	<u><u>171</u></u>

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Micklepage Trust ('the Charity')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022, set out on pages 3 & 4.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by with section 130 of the Act or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 130 of the Act
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102)).

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.

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