



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023**

Charity name: **The Croft Hall, Hungerford**

Charity registration number: **231437**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Management of the Croft Hall, Hungerford, Berkshire
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Private lettings and public and private hirings of the facilities within the building when not required for the main object of the charity
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The charity provides excellent facilities for the main beneficiary of the charity, the Parish Church of St Lawrence in Hungerford, Berkshire on those occasions when it wishes to use them for meetings and other church-related functions. At all other times the facilities (which comprise the Main Hall, the Small Hall alongside it, a private meeting room and a kitchen) are made available to local community clubs and organisations and to private individuals subject to payment of hire fees which are reviewed annually. No other local venue provides comparable facilities for such public events and functions.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity's income during the period exceeded its expenditure by £7,451.42 as shown in its accompanying accounts.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held as security for future expenditure. As at 31 st December 2003 the charity's reserve totalled £20,000 held in a Metrobank deposit account.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£20,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no such uncertainties

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed dated 1 st August 1900 and Charity Scheme dated 4 th April 2001
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is managed by Trustees appointed in accordance with its governing instruments
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	New trustees are appointed from time by the Vicar of Hungerford as provided for in in the 1900 Trust Deed following invitation of applicants and their approval at Trustees' meetings

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Croft Hall
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	231437
Charity's principal address	The Croft Hall The Croft Hungerford Berkshire RG17 0HY

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Michael Walter Saunders	Vicar of Hungerford		
2	Christopher Dodd	Chairman		Michael Walter Saunders
3	David Anthony George Small	Treasurer and Secretary		Michael Walter Saunders
4	Anthony Drewer-Trump			Michael Walter Saunders
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

None

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

DAG Small

Full name(s)

David Anthony George Small

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Secretary and Treasurer

Date

11th June 2024

TRUSTEES OF THE CROFT HALL

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

INCOME

Lettings - 2M Wellness	15,701.57	
Lettings- Scouts	350.00	
Other hire fees	<u>29,281.25</u>	
		45,332.82

LESS EXPENSES

Building maintenance	11,336.69	
Asbestos survey	2,160.00	
Caretaking	10,743.02	
Heat light and water	5,356.82	
Insurance	1,744.78	
Wheelie-bins	1,000.54	
Wi-fi and IT	660.36	
TV and performing rights licence	637.20	
Mixing desk equipment	3,495.40	
Misellaneous expenses	<u>746.59</u>	
		37,881.40

Excess of income over expenditure for the year	<u>7,451.42</u>
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ACCUMULATED FUNDS


At 1 January 2023	27,308.57
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Excess income over expenditure	7,451.42
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At 31 December 2023	<u>34,759.99</u>
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Represented by

TSB bank account	14,759.99	
Metro bank	<u>20,000.00</u>	
		<u>34,759.99</u>

Section A		Independent Examiner's Report							
CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES		Independent examiner's report on the accounts							
									
Report to the trustees		THE CROFT HALL HUNGERFORD							
On accounts for the year ended		<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%;">31 December 2023</td> <td style="width: 30%;">Charity no</td> <td style="width: 40%;">(if any)</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>231437</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		31 December 2023	Charity no	(if any)		231437	
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Responsibilities and basis of report		<p>I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023</p> <p>As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").</p> <p>I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's 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.</p> <p>I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or • the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or • the accounts did 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. <p>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.</p>							
Independent examiner's statement		<p>Signed: Peter Davies</p> <p>Date: 27/05/2024</p> <p>Name: Peter Davies</p> <p>Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): Chartered Accountant</p> <p>Address: Sunrise, Chapel Lane, Hermitage Thatcham Berkshire</p>							