

THE SOCIETY OF THE FAITH (INCORPORATED)

Company Registered Number 00214216 (England & Wales)

Charity number 232821

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST MARCH 2023

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Legal and Administrative Information

Constitution

The Society of the Faith (Incorporated) is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity governed by its memorandum and articles of association. Charity number 232821. Company number 00214216.

Directors and trustees

The directors of the charitable company ('the charity') are its trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the trustees.

The trustees serving during the year and since the year end were as follows;

THE COURT OF FELLOWS

Dr. Andrew Hobley	(Principal)
The Rev. Canon Robert Gage	(Vice Principal)
Mr. Timothy Abraham	
Professor Andrew Chandler	
William Chapman Esq. CVO	
Dr. Julian Litten	
Mr. Peter Gaston	
Dr. Brian Hanson CBE	
The Ven Dr William Jacob	
The Rev. David Lawrence-March	
The Rev. Canon Dr. Robert Reiss	(deceased 26 January 2023)
The Rev. Christopher Trundle	
The Rev. Stephen Tucker	
Mr. Martin Woods	

Members of the Court act in an honorary capacity.

Secretary and Treasurer

Mrs. Margery Roberts

Principal Office & Registered Office

Faith House, 7 Tufton Street, Westminster, London SW1P 3QB

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Legal and Administrative Information Continued

Accountants

Azets, 2nd Floor, Regis House, 45 King William Street, London EC4R 9AN

Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc., Leicester LE87 2BB

Central Board of Finance, CCLA, One Angel Lane, London EC4R 3AB

Solicitors

Lee Bolton Monier-Williams, 1 The Sanctuary, London SW1P 3JT

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Report of the Court of Fellows (Directors) for the
year ended 31 March 2023

The Court of Fellows (trustee body and board of directors) are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements (the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

1. Objectives and activities

The objects of the charity are to bring together Christians in communion with the See of Canterbury for mutual assistance in the work of the Christian church and to support and further charitable undertakings, particularly those which popularise the Catholic faith. To achieve these objects, the Society aims to carry out the following activities:

- let out functional accommodation to other charitable organisations with similar objects and to Watts & Co Ltd., a long-established firm supplying ecclesiastical furnishings and vestments, who have been in Faith House since the 1960's;
- sponsor and produce new publications relating to the Anglican Church and the Christian faith, promote interest in historic Faith Press publications and host occasional conferences, lectures and symposiums on aspects of the Christian faith including Anglo-Catholicism;
- conserve an archive (material and online), including Faith Craft drawings and Faith Press publications and make these available to scholars;
- administer the Hoare Trust, which grant-aids the conservation and provision of ecclesiastical needlework, especially in needy parishes;
- administer the Liddon Fund, holding the annual Liddon Lecture, awarding grants to young scholars for advanced theological study, and for retreats.
- make meeting space available in Faith House for other church and charitable organisations;
- make donations from its general fund in accordance with a donations policy, which includes 'Douglas grants' for scholarly research.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities they should undertake for the public benefit.

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2. Structure, governance and management

A board of trustees (known as the Court of Fellows), of up to 14 elected members, administers the charity. Meetings are normally held at least four times during the year and individual trustees also play an active part in the day to day running of the charity. A Secretary and Treasurer, elected by the members of the Society, manage the day-to-day work of the charity in accordance with the constitution and the trustees' policies and directions. At present, these roles are combined and modest fees are paid. Revisions to the Memorandum and Articles were approved at the 2017 Annual General Meeting and these came into force on 1 April 2018.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were:

Dr. Andrew Hobley	(Principal)
The Rev. Canon Robert Gage	(Vice Principal)
Mr. Timothy Abraham	
Professor Andrew Chandler	
William Chapman Esq. CVO	
Dr. Julian Litten	
Mr. Peter Gaston	
Dr. Brian Hanson CBE	
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Mr. Martin Woods	

Members of the Court act in an honorary capacity.

Secretary and treasurer:
Mrs. Margery Roberts

The principal and registered office of the Society is Faith House, 7 Tufton Street, London, SW1P 3QB.

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2. Structure, governance and management - continued

Governing document

The Society of the Faith is a company limited by guarantee by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 7 June 1926, amended 1 April 2018. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission. Applications for membership of the Society of the Faith, in the form required by the Articles, are submitted to the Court of Fellows for approval. When an application is approved, the applicant will be admitted to membership of the Society upon payment of the subscription.

Appointment of trustees

The trustee body is designated the Court of Fellows. Trustees and officers are elected by the members of the Society of the Faith at Annual General Meetings in accordance with the procedures set out in the Articles. No person who is not already a member of the Society may stand for election as a trustee. Vacancies occurring in the trustee body between Annual General Meetings may be filled by the trustees in accordance with the Articles. There are currently 13 trustees. No trustee has any beneficial interest in the company. In the event of winding up, all trustees guarantee to contribute a sum not exceeding £10 each.

3. Investment powers and policy

Under the Memorandum and Articles and relevant legislation, the charity has the power to make any investment which the trustees see fit. The charity does not have permanent endowment.

4. Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

The Trustees consider that the public benefits from the Society from the following:

- the award of grants for education (especially young postgraduate Theology students), religious activities and the restoration of church needlework where there is an identified need;
- the nurturing of interest in, providing information on, and education in, the Christian faith, the Catholic Movement in the Church of England and church furnishings through publications, lectures and conferences;
- the provision of affordable accommodation in a central location, through leases, tenancies and meeting room provision, for a wide variety of charitable and community groups which themselves provide public benefit.

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5. Achievements and performance

The Court of Fellows met in June and October 2022 and February 2023, with the Annual General Meeting taking place in October 2022. All meetings took place in the Douglas Room, Faith House, which was a particular pleasure following the Covid lockdowns. At the AGM Mr William Chapman, Dr Brian Hanson, the Revd Stephen Tucker and Mr Martin Woods were re-elected as trustees. At the same meeting, a former Liddon Fund beneficiary and now member of the Society, Mr Matthew Fairhurst, gave an absorbing talk about his doctoral research on the life and writings of Maximus the Confessor.

News of the death of the Revd Canon Dr Robert Reiss, a long-serving and hugely respected trustee, was met with great sadness and a sense of shock in January 2023. His warmth of personality and keen intellect will be much missed. In August 2022, the Revd Anthony Crouchman died at the age of 85. He served on the Court of Fellows for many years and was a staunch supporter of the Society. We record our heartfelt gratitude to both.

Grants and donations were made from both the general fund and the Liddon Fund. From the general fund, a donation of £300 was made to Westminster Abbey, where members always receive a warm welcome. From the Liddon Fund, grants of £3000 were awarded respectively to an MPhil student at St Edmund's College, Cambridge and a MA student at the University of Durham. A grant of £1500 was awarded from the Liddon Fund to St Bartholomew the Great, Smithfield towards the cost of a retreat for students and young adults taking place in June 2023. The trustees have now introduced a new category of grants, called Douglas grants, which will be available to eligible students and scholars.

The Liddon Lecture took place in the Douglas Room on 28 September 2022. The distinguished speaker was the Revd Dr Charlie Bell, who spoke about the Church's response to the Covid pandemic. The lecture was filmed and made available on YouTube, where it has been viewed hundreds of times.

The two new advisory committees, the Activities and Publications Committee and the Building and Finance Committee, both began work in earnest. The former concentrated on planning a symposium on the Church's teaching about death and the afterlife, to take place during 2023, whilst the latter addressed the important issue of making Faith House more energy-efficient. In connection with this, the Court of Fellows commissioned their architect to prepare a project for introducing custom-built secondary glazing to some of the larger windows in Faith House.

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5. Achievements and performance - continued

The care and running of Faith House occupied, as usual, a large amount of the trustees' and Secretary's time and effort. During the year, the woodwork at the rear of the building was repaired and painted and additional insulation provided in some of the second floor rooms, all at a total cost of around £50,000 plus fees. Good relations were maintained with all the Society's lessees in Faith House. Leases to Watts and Company, of both the basement and a second floor office, came to an end and appropriate extensions were negotiated and completed during the year. The ending of Covid restrictions led to the Douglas Room being used more, both by the occupants of Faith House and visiting groups. Presentations about Faith House books were made to three groups, including the Friends of Lambeth Palace Library.

The trustees record their gratitude to their architect, Mr Michael Poteleakhoff, whose expertise, time and cheerful support over many years enables them to care for what has become an iconic building in Westminster, where the Christian faith is central to all that happens there.

6. Risk management

The trustees aim to maintain Faith House structurally in good order, to keep risk to a minimum, both financially and within the structure and occupation of Faith House, to encourage good relationships with the tenants, occupants and users of the building and to promote safely the charitable activities arising from the charity's objects. Faith House is well managed both to raise income and as functional property. In order to limit financial risk, funds are invested in the well-respected Central Board of Finance (CBF) funds managed by CCLA. The building is insured by the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office, a well-established provider of insurance for churches and charities. Financial controls are firmly maintained and no single individual has financial or managerial control.

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6. Risk management - continued

The trustees, recognising the importance of actively managing risk within Faith House, maintain and keep updated a health and safety file containing risk assessments and policies. Contracts are maintained for the servicing of fire alarms, fire extinguishers, emergency lighting and the heating boiler and thermostats. The Secretary is a trained fire marshal and all tenants are actively encouraged to keep their own procedures for emergency evacuation up to date. Fire drills are held at intervals. A risk register, together with a schedule for regular reviewing of all assessments and policies, ensures that potential risks are constantly kept in control.

Following inspections carried out by the Society's architect, there is a continuous programme of repairs and maintenance. Small maintenance items are carried out routinely.

The Society depends for most of its income on the leases and tenancies in Faith House. These are kept under review and professional advice is regularly obtained. The current tenants, consisting mainly of church/interfaith charities and Watts and Company Ltd, reflect the Society's own charitable objects and mission very closely. The trustees consider it to be important for Faith House to be used and occupied in a way that both promotes the specific objects of the Society of the Faith and its broader objects of serving the Church of England and its outreach.

7. Reserves policy and total reserves

The trustees recognise the importance of maintaining a reserves policy in line with guidance from the Charity Commission. At present, the cost of running and maintaining the building and meeting business rates (with charitable rating relief) is around £60,000 per annum, not including improvement work or major repairs, and further funds are required to cover the costs of administration, including fees paid the the Secretary/Treasurer, and to cover periods when parts of the building may be untenanted. Although a proportion of the running costs is recoverable from tenants on a pro rata basis, the trustees consider it prudent to retain at least a year's costs in reserve in order to meet routine commitments and the additional responsibility of maintaining and upgrading an historic listed building which has been associated with the Church of England for 123 years. The trustees hope at some stage to replace the current boiler with a more energy-efficient one. The charity, without any permanent endowment, relies on receiving income from invested funds as well as from rents. Bearing all these matters in mind, the trustees consider that around £125,000 should be kept easily accessible on deposit with the CBF for the time being, both to cover immediate needs and other commitments for a year, provide for emergencies and repairs and to produce an income, as the base rate was increased to 4.25% in March 2023. The present policy is to place all other unrestricted funds in the CBF Investment Fund. The position is kept under constant review and was last reviewed in February 2023. Funds held in the two restricted funds, Liddon and Hoare, are not available for general use.

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8. Data protection

The trustees comply with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018, which incorporates the General Data Protection Regulation (known as the GDPR), which came into force in May 2018. They maintain a data protection policy and policy statement, with a separate privacy notice for the Liddon Fund which is issued to applicants. All of the Society's activities are on a not-for-profit basis.

9. Climate change

The trustees are aware of their general responsibility to aim to make Faith House more energy-efficient and well insulated. The building, which is over 120 years' old and listed as being of historic and architectural importance, presents many challenges. There are large windows, some high ceilings and an ageing gas-fired central heating system. In 2022, the trustees began to address these challenges, by inserting extra insulation in parts of the roof space and by commissioning secondary glazing for windows where the heat loss is greatest.

10. Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so, the trustees are required to:

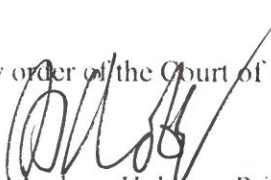
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

11. Independent Examiners

At the Annual General Meeting held on 25 October 2022, Mr. John Howard of Azets (City of London branch) was appointed as the Independent Examiner until the next Annual General Meeting. The trustees record their thanks to Mr. Howard and his colleagues at Azets.

By order of the Court of Fellows:


Dr. Andrew Hopley - Principal
Date: 21 June 2023

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Society of the Faith (Incorporated)
year ended 31 March 2023

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023 set out on pages 12 to 27.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purpose of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company 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 company'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 can confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
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.

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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.



John Howard, FCA

Azets
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Regis House
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London
EC4R 9AN

21 June 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u>
				<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
		£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Activities for generating funds;					
Recharges to Tenants	5	38,933	-	38,933	34,524
Income from Publications/Greeting Cards	5	104	-	104	177
Donations	5	471	-	471	773
Investment Income	5	163,756	6,261	170,017	156,983
Total incoming resources		<u>203,264</u>	<u>6,261</u>	<u>209,525</u>	<u>192,457</u>
Less Cost of generating funds;					
Faith House Expenditure	6	134,269	-	134,269	70,284
Charitable Expenditure;					
Grants Payable	7	975	7,000	7,975	7,500
Other Charitable activities	8	25,016	2,450	27,466	27,741
Total resources expended		<u>160,260</u>	<u>9,450</u>	<u>169,710</u>	<u>105,525</u>
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		43,004	(3,189)	39,815	86,932
Realised and unrealised investment gains / (losses)	9	<u>(53,110)</u>	<u>(7,747)</u>	<u>(60,857)</u>	<u>128,168</u>
Movement in total funds for the year; net income/expenditure for the year	10	(10,106)	(10,936)	(21,042)	215,100
Total funds brought forward		<u>1,727,392</u>	<u>227,225</u>	<u>1,954,617</u>	<u>1,739,517</u>
Total funds carried forward	18	<u>1,717,286</u>	<u>216,289</u>	<u>1,933,575</u>	<u>1,954,617</u>

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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BALANCE SHEET
AT 31ST MARCH 2023

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Tangible	12	35,000	35,000
Investments	13	1,682,520	1,703,377
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Cash at Bank	14	234,718	226,587
Debtors	15	<u>2,125</u>	<u>7,993</u>
		236,843	234,580
Creditors; Amounts falling due within one year	16	<u>(20,788)</u>	<u>(18,340)</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>		<u>216,055</u>	<u>216,240</u>
		<u>1,933,575</u>	<u>1,954,617</u>
<u>FINANCED BY:</u>			
Unrestricted Funds	18	1,717,286	1,727,392
Restricted Funds	18	<u>216,289</u>	<u>227,225</u>
<u>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</u>		<u>1,933,575</u>	<u>1,954,617</u>

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BALANCE SHEET – CONTINUED

AT 31ST MARCH 2023

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st March 2023.

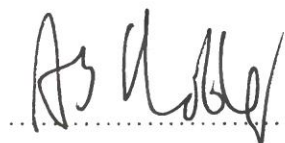
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Court of Fellows acknowledge its responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006, and,
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard 102.

The financial statements were approved by the Court of Fellows on 21 June 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



..... Dr. Andrew Hobley (Principal)



..... Margery Roberts (Treasurer)

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NOTES RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Charity information

The Society of the Faith (Incorporated) is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office address is Faith House, 7 Tufton Street, London, SW1P 3QB. The nature of the charity's operations and principle activities are to bring together Christians in communion with the See of Canterbury for mutual assistance in the work of the Christian church and to support and further charitable undertakings, particularly those which popularise the Catholic faith.

1.1 Accounting convention

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Policies as it applies from 1 January 2019. The Society is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and to include certain financial instruments at fair value. The principle accounting policies adopted are set out below.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historic cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

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1. Accounting Policies - continued

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

1.4 Incoming resources

a) Rental of Faith House

Income from rental is included in the period in which the charity is entitled to the receipt.

b) Donations

Income from donations is included in incoming resources when these are receivable, except as follows:

When donors specify that donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods.

When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

When donors specify that donations are for particular restricted purposes, which do not amount to pre-conditions regarding entitlement, this income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds when receivable.

c) Investment Income

Rent, interest and dividends are included when receivable by the charity.

1.5 Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Certain expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities and has been included in those cost categories.

1.6 Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

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1. Accounting Policies - continued

1.6 Fund accounting - continued

Restricted funds - these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

1.7 Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a basis as follows:

Long leasehold buildings - 0%

1.8 Investments

Listed investments held as fixed assets are revalued annually by CCLA Investment Management Limited at the market value, and the gain or loss on revaluation taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.9 Repairs and renewals

All expenditure on the Faith House building is written off in the year as repairs and maintenance.

1.10 Governance Costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulations and good practice. This cost is now showing on the Statement of Financial Activities within Other Charitable activities.

1.11 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

a) Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financial transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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1. Accounting Policies - continued

1.11 Cash and cash equivalents - continued

b) Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

c) Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revisions affects both current and future periods.

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3. Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. Every trustee undertakes to contribute to the assets of the charity, in the event of the same being wound up during the time that he is a member, or within one year afterwards, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the charity contracted before the time at which he ceases to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up the same, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories amongst themselves, such amount as may be required not exceeding £10.

4. Going concern

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis; the trustees are not aware of any existence of any material uncertainties.

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	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
5. Incoming resources		
<u>Recharges to Tenants of Faith House</u>		
Service charge	<u>38,933</u>	<u>34,524</u>
 <u>Income from Publications/Greeting Cards</u>	 <u>104</u>	 <u>177</u>
<u>Donations</u>		
Donations received	3	2
Gift aid	-	238
Subscriptions	<u>468</u>	<u>533</u>
	<u>471</u>	<u>773</u>
 <u>Investment Income</u>		
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		
Bank interest	2,686	108
Investment income	42,344	39,474
Rental of Faith House	117,386	110,899
Use of Douglas Room	<u>1,340</u>	<u>580</u>
	<u>163,756</u>	<u>151,061</u>
 <u>Restricted Funds</u>		
Bank interest;		
Hoare Trust	42	3
Liddon Fund	130	8
Investment income;		
Hoare Trust	463	449
Liddon Fund	<u>5,626</u>	<u>5,462</u>
	<u>6,261</u>	<u>5,922</u>
 6. Faith House expenditure		
General rates	18,103	20,003
Water, electricity and gas	10,407	3,004
Insurance	5,343	6,045
Repairs and building maintenance	77,145	19,728
Cleaning and washroom costs	17,293	15,526
Deed of variation rent	<u>5,978</u>	<u>5,978</u>
	<u>134,269</u>	<u>70,284</u>

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	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
7. Grants Payable		
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		
Publication Sponsorship	975	-
<u>Restricted Funds</u>		
Educational Grants – Liddon Fund	7,500	7,500
Needlework Grants – Hoare Trust	1,000	-
	<u>8,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>
8. Other Charitable Activities		
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		
Donation to Dean and Chapter of Westminster Abbey	300	300
Donation to St. George's, Headstone	-	3,000
	<u>300</u>	<u>3,300</u>
<u>Restricted Funds</u>		
Lecture Expenses - Liddon Fund	250	250
Governance Costs		
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		
Travelling	3,577	2,543
General Secretarial expenses	1,066	1,566
Annual Return fee	13	13
Legal & professional fees	4,211	4,877
Secretary and Treasurer's Honorarium	13,000	12,000
Accountancy Fees	2,640	2,400
Bank Charges	209	192
	<u>24,716</u>	<u>23,591</u>
<u>Restricted Funds</u>		
Secretary and Treasurer's Honorarium - Liddon Fund	700	600
Unrestricted Fund totals	<u>25,016</u>	<u>26,891</u>
Restricted Fund totals	<u>950</u>	<u>850</u>

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	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
9. Realised and unrealised investment gains / (losses)		
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		
Gain / (Loss) on revaluation of investment	(53,110)	111,222
	<u>(53,110)</u>	<u>111,222</u>
<u>Restricted Funds</u>		
Gain / (Loss) on revaluation of investment		
Hoare Trust	(589)	1,287
Liddon Fund	(7,158)	15,659
	<u>(7,747)</u>	<u>16,946</u>
10. Net income for the year		
The surplus/(deficit) on ordinary activities is stated after crediting the following;		
Operating Lease – Faith House	<u>157,659</u>	<u>146,003</u>
11. Taxation		

The Society of the Faith (Incorporated) is a registered charity, and as such is exempted from taxation.

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12. Tangible fixed assets	Long Leasehold Land and Buildings £	Total £
Cost as at 1 April 2022 and at 31 March 2023	35,000	35,000
Depreciation as at 1 April 2022 and at 31 March 2023	-	-
Net book value As at 31 March 2022 and at 31 March 2023	35,000	35,000

13. Investments	Cost at 31.03.22 £	Additions	Cost at 31.03.23	Gross Income £	Market Value at 31.03.23 £	Market Value at 31.03.22 £
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>						
C.B.F Investment Fund 62896.46 shares	865,291	40,000	905,291	42,344	1,472,239	1,485,348
<u>Restricted Funds</u>						
Hoare Trust						
C.B.F Investment Fund 748.53 shares	6,494	-	6,494	463	15,974	16,563
Liddon Fund						
C.B.F Investment Fund 9105.17 shares	91,410	-	91,410	5,626	194,307	201,466
	963,195	45,000	1,003,195	48,433	1,682,520	1,703,377

Under the Statement of Recommended Practice all investments have to be valued at their market value at the year end.

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	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
14. Cash at Bank		
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		
Current Account	85,836	128,874
C.B.F. Deposit Account	140,674	88,517
	<u>226,510</u>	<u>217,391</u>
<u>Restricted Funds</u>		
Hoare Trust	2,118	2,613
Liddon Fund	6,090	6,583
	<u>8,208</u>	<u>9,196</u>
	<u>234,718</u>	<u>226,587</u>
15. Debtors		
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		
Prepayments and Accrued Income	2,125	7,993
Other debtors	-	-
	<u>2,125</u>	<u>7,993</u>
16. Creditors		
Amounts falling due within one year		
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		
Other Creditors	20,788	18,340

17. Related party transactions

There were no contracts of significance, subsisting during or at the end of the year in which a member of the Court of Fellows is or was materially interested, except as stated below.

Travelling expenses amounting to £2,815 (2022 : £1,533) were reimbursed to 9 (2022: 9) Trustees.

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18. Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in funds

	Balance			Investment	Funds
	1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	gain/(loss)	31 March
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted fund	1,727,392	203,264	160,260	(53,110)	1,717,286
Hoare fund	19,176	505	1,000	(589)	18,092
Liddon Fund	208,049	5,756	8,450	(7,158)	198,197
	227,225	6,261	9,450	(7,747)	216,289

Analysis of movements in funds

	Balance			Investment	Funds
	1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	gain/(loss)	31 March
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted fund	1,526,810	186,535	97,175	111,222	1,727,392
Hoare fund	17,437	452	-	1,287	19,176
Liddon Fund	195,270	5,470	8,350	15,659	208,049
	212,707	5,922	8,350	16,946	227,225

The unrestricted fund is held for the objectives of the charity.

Funds held in the two restricted funds are not available for general use. The funds use are as follows;

Hoare Trust, which grant-aids the conservation and provision of ecclesiastical needlework;

Liddon Fund, holding the annual Liddon Lecture and awarding grants to young scholars for advanced theological study, and for retreats.

The unrestricted fund as at 1 April 2015 has been reinstated to reflect the presentation of tangible fixed assets to comply with SORP and FRS 102. The value of the property known as 'Faith House' is now included as a tangible fixed asset of £35,000 (2021 £35,000). The requirement of obtaining an annual valuation has made it cost prohibitive to record the asset as an investment at fair value.

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ACCOUNT OF FUNDS HELD IN TRUST

HOARE TRUST

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

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	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		£	£
Investment Income	5	463	449
Bank Interest	5	42	3
Gain on revaluation of investment assets	9	-	1,287
		<u>505</u>	<u>1,739</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
Charitable Expenditure			
Grants Payable	7	1,000	-
Loss on revaluation of investment assets	9	589	-
		<u>(1,084)</u>	<u>1,739</u>
Surplus / (Deficit) for Year			

BALANCE SHEET
AT 31ST MARCH 2023

<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Investments	13	15,974	16,563
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Cash at Bank	14	2,118	2,613
		<u>18,092</u>	<u>19,176</u>
<u>REPRESENTED BY:</u>			
Accumulated Fund Brought Forward	18	19,176	17,437
Add; Surplus for Year	18	(1,084)	1,739
		<u>18,092</u>	<u>19,176</u>

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ACCOUNT OF FUNDS HELD IN TRUST

LIDDON FUND

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	
<u>INCOME</u>		£	£	£	£
Investment Income	5		5,626		5,462
Bank Interest	5		130		8
Gain on revaluation of investment assets	9		-		15,659
			<u>5,756</u>		<u>21,129</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>					
Charitable Expenditure					
Grants Payable	7	7,500		7,500	
Other Charitable Activities	8	950		850	
Loss on revaluation of investment assets	9	<u>7,158</u>	<u>15,608</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,350</u>
Surplus / (Deficit) for Year			<u>(9,852)</u>		<u>12,779</u>

BALANCE SHEET
AT 31ST MARCH 2023

<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Investments	13	194,307	201,466
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Cash at Bank	14	6,090	6,583
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			
Unrestricted fund		(2,200)	-
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>		<u>198,197</u>	<u>208,049</u>
<u>REPRESENTED BY:</u>			
Accumulated Fund Brought Forward	18	208,049	195,270
Add; Surplus/ (Deficit) for Year	18	<u>(9,852)</u>	<u>12,779</u>
		<u>198,197</u>	<u>208,049</u>