

THE MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

England & Wales · Charity number 241153

Details

Other names	MELLOR COUNTRY HOUSE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1965-03-17
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	299 Longhurst Lane Mellor Stockport SK6 5PP
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Activities

Objects: THE PROVISION OF A HOLIDAY HOME FOR POOR PERSONS OF EITHER SEX DWELLING IN MANCHESTER OR SALFORD AND WHETHER MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND OR NOT.

Activities: The charity provides self catering holiday accommodation for low income families and individuals who would otherwise not have a holiday.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Accommodation/housing
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THE CITIES OF MANCHESTER AND SALFORD.
- Cheshire East
- Cheshire West & Chester
- Lancashire
- Manchester City
- Salford City
- Stockport
- Tameside

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£69,363	£88,996	-	-
2024-03-31	£81,210	£76,726	-	-
2023-03-31	£66,798	£68,073	-	-
2022-03-31	£86,680	£66,174	-	-
2021-03-31	£71,020	£45,132	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
IAN SIMPSON	Chair	
Carol Butler		2024-03-28
DANIELLE LOUISE MATHER		2011-06-29
David Adamson		1999-07-17
Dr Johan Mackinnon		2026-01-19
Katie Clark		2018-02-26
MARK VINCENT MATHER		2011-06-30
SHARON ADAMSON		
Sallie Griffiths		2026-01-19

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135th Annual Report

1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025



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MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

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Committee of Management (Charity Trustees)	
Honorary Chair	Mr I Simpson
Honorary Secretary	Mrs P Heywood
Honorary Treasurer	Mr D Adamson
Honorary Assistant Secretary (Fabric)	Mr D Adamson
Trustees (as at 31 March 2025)	Mr I Simpson Mrs D Mather Mr M Mather Mrs S Adamson Ms S Cunningham Mrs P Heywood Ms K Clark Mr D Adamson Ms G Milligan Ms C Butler
Independent Examiner	IV Lions Accountants The Courtyard Earl Road Cheadle Hulme, Stockport, SK8 6GN
Bankers	The Royal Bank of Scotland St Ann Street Manchester, M60 2SS

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

TRUSTEES REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

Administrative details

Charity Name & Registered Charity Number

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The Registered Charity number is 241153

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Structure, governance and management

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Reserves:

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MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Achievement and performance - a report by the Chair

Another busy and active year in the life of Manchester Cathedral Home ("MCH").

MCH is proudly supported by a loyal and diverse bunch of Trustees - Sharon, Dave, Penny, Mark, Danielle, Sue and Katie. We offer our sincere thanks for the hard work, passion and support throughout the year. We also give thanks to our local volunteers who support our fundraisers of plant and Christmas tree sales, as well as manning the catering kiosk at Manchester City's ground.

We offer our sincere thanks for the commitment and dedication of our housekeeper, Sharon, and the unstinting loyal and unselfish support of her husband Dave. Both are celebrating their 25th year of service. What an achievement!

Throughout the open season, 1st March to 31st October, we have welcomed more than 900 guests. With a very diverse and whole range of guests, new and familiar returning friends and societies who feel 'at home' in the familiar surroundings of MCH, we are grateful and proud of their presence throughout our open seasons of Spring, Summer and Autumn.

Guests include those from: Flowery Fields Schools (Enquire Learning Trust "ELT"), Asian Women's Network, Men's Network and Police Motorcycle Club (annual fundraisers).

MCH can provide exclusivity for groups with learning difficulties and mental health requirements.

There are Men's and Ladies' weeks, as well as weeks available for independent families and individuals. There is also an easy accessible suite with an adjoining carer bedroom available.

Our fundraising carries on throughout the year, with fortnightly manning of the "Not for Profit" kiosk at Manchester City's football ground. This requires 23 volunteers on a rota basis, with 9 required per match, all organised by our secretary Carol. This activity has raised £12k during the period.

Our plant sale in May and Christmas Tree sale in November/December were a huge success and provide a real community focus. These generated a profit of £8.2k and £5.3k respectively. All trustees and volunteers come together for a week-long set up and a weekend sale.

Christmas fairs and Tropical Night add to the range of community fundraising activities to end a busy and successful year.

As we look to the new 25/26 season, we were in discussions with ELT to expand the number of beds available and a potential £100k investment for the new season to amend toilets, washrooms and showers. Unfortunately our bid did not succeed.

Maintenance has continued on the external fabric of the Home with the upper elevation being rendered with K Rend, which has a 30 year guarantee.

As we look forward towards another year, we hope we are able to attract and support those in need of respite and care, to offer them some peace and a safe space and a little bit of time to think in their busy and stressful lives.

Ian Simpson
Chair

20 October 2025

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

01/04/23 to		01/04/24	
31/03/24	<u>Receipts</u>	to	31/03/25
£		£	£
7,950.39	Subscriptions & Donations	5,283.79	
9,457.00	Fees for use of Home	8,088.00	
2,498.29	Investment Income	2,499.53	
325.46	Telephone 0161 484 5028	349.56	
20,231.14			16,220.88
	<u>Fund Raising Events - (Gross)</u>		
24,847.16	Plant Sale	22,867.52	
11,448.25	Christmas Trees	13,052.53	
2,600.00	Golf Day	3,243.00	
1,415.00	Fashion Show	1,044.00	
-	Christmas Delights event	984.12	
150.00	Compensation	-	
18.41	Sundry income	-	
20,500.09	Fab Fan Fayre (inc tips £70; 2024: £149.59)	11,950.54	
60,978.91			53,141.71
81,210.05	<u>Total Receipts</u>		69,362.59

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

01/04/23 to 31/03/24	<u>Payments</u>	01/04/24 to 31/03/25	£
£		£	
202.80	Nest (Employer pension contributions)	202.80	
13,000.00	Salary (includes NEST contribs £270.40 (2023: £270.40)	13,232.14	
5,775.34	Heat & Light	9,434.57	
2,446.03	Water & sewerage	2,952.06	
1,841.77	Council Tax	1,907.48	
2,662.21	Insurance	2,926.95	
1,513.89	Telephone & internet	1,711.58	
496.53	Invoiced Petty Cash expenses	507.64	
6,950.97	Repairs & renewals miscellaneous	5,271.97	
300.00	Independent Examiner	300.00	
-	Travel expenses	1,165.95	
-	New bunk beds	1,842.85	
-	New website	2,640.00	
166.56	Home Cover (Heating, Plumbing & Drains)	168.00	
768.91	Card machine lease payments	578.71	
12,516.00	Rendering/plastering of house	21,720.00	
3,505.20	New washing machine	-	
1,038.24	Electrical repairs	-	
365.00	Uniforms	-	
	<u>Equipment funded by specific donations:-</u>		
-		-	
£53,549.45		66,562.70	
	<u>Event Expenses</u>		
16,661.46	Plant Sale	14,693.10	
6,515.43	Christmas Trees	7,740.54	
23,176.89		22,433.64	
76,726.34	Total Payments	88,996.34	
4,483.71	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	-19,633.75	
94,282.16	Cash Funds last year end	98,765.87	
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Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st March 2025

31/3/2024		31/3/2025
	Monetary Assets	
81,365.26	Bank Balance per statements	69,519.44
829.86	Add receipt not credited	797.34
82,195.12		70,316.78
	Less unrepresented cheques/accrued expenses	
2,662.21	Insurance	2,926.95
(1.12)	NEST overpayment	(19.32)
375.91	Water/general maintenance	-
300.00	Independent examiner's fees	300.00
243.54	HMRC & wages for prior years	620.68
	Gas	7,000.00
3,580.54		10,828.31
78,614.58	Bank Balance	59,488.47
681.29	Petty Cash Balance	173.65
79,295.87	Cash Funds this year end	59,662.12
	Investment Assets	
	Government stocks:	
49.71	3.5% Consolidated	49.71
945.93	3.5% War Stock	945.93
	Shares:	
	1970 (2024: 1970) Land Securities PLC £0.10	
12,962.60	Ord Shares £5.50 ps (2024: £6.58 ps)	10,835.00
3,639.67	356 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund	3,639.67
917.13	593 Central Board of Finance Fixed Interest Securities	917.13
	<u>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</u>	
-	Land (3 acres) and buildings occupied by the Manchester Cathedral Country Home at 299 Longhurst Lane, Mellor since 1907 (Not Valued)	-
97,810.91	Total Assets	76,049.56
74,963.04	<u>Assets less liabilities</u>	76,049.56
92,602.24	Accumulated Surplus brought forward	97,810.91
4,483.71	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	(19,633.75)
724.96	Movement in Share Values during the year	(2,127.60)
97,810.91	Accumulated Surplus carried forward	76,049.56
-	Restricted funds	0.00
97,810.91	Non Restricted Funds	76,049.56
97,810.91	Accumulated Surplus carried forward	76,049.56

D A Adamson -Treasurer

Mr I Simpson --- Chairperson

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

DONATIONS TO THE HOME DURING THE YEAR TO 31st MARCH 2025

	£
Ann Jarvis	40.00
Blue Knights	300.00
Brabyns Prep School	126.00
C Butler	10.00
Charitable Aid Foundation	150.00
Citibank Online Giving	0.09
D Adamson	168.00
D&C Church Wardens	3.10
Donation from SOS Shop Ltd	340.00
George	20.00
High Lane Primary School	70.00
HF & PG Wiles	600.00
JE Daines	65.00
Macnair Trust	1,500.00
Mr & Mrs Denner	250.00
Mrs EM Sutton (t/a The Local Shopper)	500.00
Mrs P Mackenzie	100.00
Mrs P A Vernon	250.00
Ms Jane A Michael	50.00
Patricia Morris	40.00
Rachael Robinson	50.00
Romiley & Marple Lions	200.00
Rotary Eclub of Great Britain	56.60
S A Coverley	40.00
The PCC of the ECC	150.00
Vernon Building Society 50:50 Club	155.00
Wayne Jones	50.00
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	£5,283.79



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Mellor Country House

21st January 2026

Dear David,

RE: Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Mellor Country House

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Mellor Country House for the year ended 31 March 2025.

I have completed my independent examination and 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 as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; 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 a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nick Sheerman".

Nick Sheerman
IV Lions Accountants
0161 485 7449

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Could you help by making a donation?

The charity depends entirely on voluntary donations, no regular funding is forthcoming from church or state. Considering the low tariff and the escalating expenses incurred in running the Home, any donation, **however small**, is always very welcome.

If you are a UK taxpayer and eligible to Gift Aid your donation please complete the declaration below. This will increase your gift by 25p for every £1 given at no extra cost to you or us. Thank you.

Name of Charity: Manchester Cathedral Country Home

Details of Donor:-

Full name: _____
address: _____

I would like the charity to treat the enclosed donation of £----- as a Gift Aid donation. You must pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that the charity reclaims on your donation in the tax year. (currently £2.50 for every £10.00 donated)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please send any donations to the Hon Treasurer, Mr D Adamson c/o Mellor Country House, 299 Longhurst Lane, Mellor, Stockport, SK6 5PP.

THANK YOU

**Charity Commission registered title
MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME
BANKER'S ORDER**

A Banker's Order saves time and cost. If you prefer this method of payment, please fill in your Bank's your bank's details.

Please send the completed form to The Honorary Treasurer, Mr D Adamson, c/o Mellor Country House, Mellor, Stockport, Cheshire, SK6 5PP.

BLOCK LETTERS please :-

NAME (S)
(Title, Mr, Mrs, Miss)
.....
.....
.....Postcode

BANK'S NAME
Bank's Address
..... Postcode
Bank's sorting code
Your Account No
Account name

Please pay to the Account of Mellor Country House (the official registered working name for the Trust known as The Manchester Cathedral Country Home) with the Royal Bank of Scotland plc, St Ann Street, Manchester, M60 2SS, sort code 16-00-02, Account number 11840463 the sum of £ ----- **now and every successive year** on the same day until further notice.

Signed: -----

Date: -----

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The end of another interesting year - how time flies when you are enjoying yourself! The Home was open for 8 months (the other 4 months being spent on maintenance and fund raising) during the year and, despite the appalling summer weather, the facilities were enjoyed by over 800 people, many of whom were children. The well-stocked playroom (special thanks to Brabyn's school & parents for the annual supply of toys), trampolines and bikes received a thorough testing.

A grateful thanks must go out to all those people who donated so much to help with the running of the Home, including items for daily usage, tins of food and monies to put towards the spiralling expenses. The huge increase in utility charges has been as difficult for us, as it has been for many of our visitors. I'm afraid poverty is now a real problem, making the Charity's existence more important than ever.

I must mention our fantastic team of volunteers, without whom I think it is fair to say that this Charity would cease to exist. They undertake a whole range of fund-raising events raising almost £37,000 during the year. These monies enable the charity to keep its charges to a bare minimum (no increase in over 5 years) and to contribute towards the upkeep and maintenance of the Home.

In April 2023, the Charity took another step towards modernisation by joining the world of digital banking. It only took 18 months to accomplish but it did receive a compensatory payment from the bank due to the length of time it took.

Items of exceptional expenditure incurred during the year included a full inspection and updating of the electrical wiring system, culminating in the receipt of the necessary building regulations certificate. With the recent introduction of a new fire alarm system, we should have no worries about the "electrics" for a while. A new Miele commercial washing machine was acquired at a cost of over £3,500, most of which was financed by two specific donations. Two particularly cold bedrooms were insulated, plastered and decorated, making them much more user friendly. In addition, the much-needed re-rendering to the outside of the property got underway. It is being undertaken in affordable "bite-size" chunks, with completion envisaged by the time of the next report.

The Charity is in discussions about the creation of a professionally constructed new website, as the existing one is constantly under-performing. I anticipate being able to comment on completion during the next annual report, and am hopeful the site will advertise the Home's existence to lots of potential new visitors.

The Charity is looking forward to serving people in need of a break in the year ahead, to giving them some respite from their stressful lives, so they can enjoy, albeit for a short time, the tranquillity of this beautiful purpose-built holiday home.

Ian Simpson
Chair

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31st March 2024

01/04/22 to 31/03/23	<u>Receipts</u>	01/04/23 to 31/03/24	£
9,286.54	Subscriptions & Donations	7,950.39	
7,799.00	Fees for use of Home	9,457.00	
1,323.12	Investment Income	2,498.29	
265.07	Telephone 0161 484 5028	325.46	
18,673.73			20,231.14
	<u>Fund Raising Events - (Gross)</u>		
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12,746.01	Christmas Trees	11,448.25	
-	Golf Day	2,600.00	
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-	Compensation	150.00	
5.00	Sundry income	18.41	
14,418.89	Fab Fan Fayre (inc tips £149.59 (2023: £77))	20,500.09	
48,124.26			60,978.91
66,797.99	<u>Total Receipts</u>		81,210.05

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

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2,625.36	Insurance	2,662.21	
1,341.42	Telephone & internet	1,513.89	
855.48	Invoiced Petty Cash expenses	496.53	
2,444.46	Repairs & renewals miscellaneous	6,950.97	
300.00	Independent Examiner	300.00	
18.56	Bank charges	-	
686.93	New showers	-	
9,015.39	Disabled bathroom repairs	-	
936.00	Defibrillator equipment	-	
936.00	Asbestos audit	-	
600.00	Garden equipment/services	-	
2,383.67	Fire protection equipment	-	
154.70	Home Cover (Heating, Plumbing & Drains)	166.56	
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13,507.29	Plant Sale	16,661.46	
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20,859.75		23,176.89	
68,073.23	Total Payments	76,726.34	
-1,275.24	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	4,483.71	
95,557.40	Cash Funds last year end	94,282.16	
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709.89	Add receipt not credited	829.86
78,285.69		82,195.12
	Less unrepresented cheques/accrued expenses	
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(3,238.68)	Movement in Share Values during the year	724.96
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-	Restricted funds	0.00
92,602.24	Non Restricted Funds	97,810.91
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D A Adamson -Treasurer

Mr I Simpson --- Chairperson

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	£
Audrey Lewis	440.00
Blue Knights	600.00
Brabyns Prep School	376.63
Carver Theatre	100.00
Charitable Aid Foundation	350.00
D Chester	210.00
D Adamson	166.56
D&C Church Wardens	3.10
Doug & Brenda Kaye	30.00
HF & PG Wiles	600.00
In memory of Derrick Vernon	2,000.00
JW & BA Donner	200.00
Janet Vockings	10.00
JE Daines	83.00
Just Helping	250.00
Ladies at Mellor & Townscliffe Golf Club	12.60
Marple & District U3A	80.00
Marple Hall School	800.00
Marple Methodist Church Ladies Group	40.00
MG & N Riding	120.00
Milo Sutcliffe	126.50
Mrs CM Gooch	10.00
Ms JA Michael	75.00
Romiley & Marple Lions	200.00
Rotary Eclub of Great Britain	800.00
W & G Milligan	117.00
The PCC of the ECC	150.00
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	£7,950.39



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Mellor Country House

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Mellor Country House for the year ended 31 March 2024.

I have completed my independent examination and 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 as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; 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 a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "NSL".

Nick Shearman
IV Lions Accountants
0161 485 7449

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Could you help by making a donation?

The charity depends entirely on voluntary donations, no regular funding is forthcoming from church or state. Considering the low tariff and the escalating expenses incurred in running the Home, any donation, **however small**, is always very welcome.

If you are a UK taxpayer and eligible to Gift Aid your donation please complete the declaration below. This will increase your gift by 25p for every £1 given at no extra cost to you or us. Thank you.

Name of Charity: Manchester Cathedral Country Home

Details of Donor:-

Full name: -----

address: -----

I would like the charity to treat the enclosed donation of £----- as a Gift Aid donation. You must pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that the charity reclaims on your donation in the tax year. (currently £2.50 for every £10.00 donated)

Signature: -----

Date: -----

Please send any donations to the Hon Treasurer, Mr D Adamson c/o Mellor Country House, 299 Longhurst Lane, Mellor, Stockport, SK6 5PP.

THANK YOU

**Charity Commission registered title
MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME
BANKER'S ORDER**

A Banker's Order saves time and cost. If you prefer this method of payment, please fill in your Bank's your bank's details.

Please send the completed form to The Honorary Treasurer, Mr D Adamson, c/o Mellor Country House, Mellor, Stockport, Cheshire, SK6 5PP.

BLOCK LETTERS please :-

NAME (S)
(Title, Mr, Mrs, Miss)
.....
.....
.....Postcode

BANK'S NAME
Bank's Address
..... Postcode
Bank's sorting code
Your Account No
Account name

Please pay to the Account of Mellor Country House (the official registered working name for the Trust known as The Manchester Cathedral Country Home) with the Royal Bank of Scotland plc, St Ann Street, Manchester, M60 2SS, sort code 16-00-02, Account number 11840463 the sum of £ ----- **now and every successive year** on the same day until further notice.

Signed: -----

Date: -----

Registered Charity Number: 241153

THE MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

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133rd Annual Report

1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023



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MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

President	The Very Revd Rogers Govender Dean of Manchester
Committee of Management (Charity Trustees)	
Honorary Chair	Mr I Simpson
Honorary Secretary	Mrs P Heywood
Honorary Treasurer	Mr D Adamson
Honorary Assistant Secretary (Fabric)	Mr D Adamson
Trustees (as at 31 March 2023)	Mr I Simpson Mrs D Mather Mr M Mather Mrs S Adamson Ms S Cunningham Mrs P Heywood Ms K Clark Ms S J Aimson Mr B M Wilson Mr D Adamson Ms G Milligan (appointed 13 March 2023)
Independent Examiner	IV Lions Accountants The Courtyard Earl Road Cheadle Hulme, Stockport, SK8 6GN
Bankers	The Royal Bank of Scotland St Ann Street Manchester, M60 2SS

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

TRUSTEES REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Administrative details

Charity Name & Registered Charity Number

The Charity's name is the Manchester Cathedral Country Home. It is also known locally as Mellor Country

Trustees

There shall be not less than two nor more than four holding Trustees.

The following individuals served as holding Trustees during the year:

Ian Simpson (Chair)

David Adamson

Structure, governance and management

The governing document of the Charity is a Deed of Trust dated 19 April 1919 as varied by a 1996 Deed of 1996 Deed in part by a Resolution dated the 20th July 1996.

The area of benefit covers the cities of Manchester and Salford.

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Reserves:

The Charity maintains a level of reserves sufficient to enable it to operate for a period of twelve months twelve months without significant income. Each year the charity trustees review the income and prepare a fund raising strategy.

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Achievement and performance - a report by the Chair

The year to 31 March 2023 saw a return to the normal level of bookings, following the pandemic. Although we were pleased with the level of fundraising during the year, in particular the amount of £14.4k raised through the Fab Fan Fayre arrangement, the charity had a small excess of expenditure over income of £1.3k primarily caused by the much needed repairs to the disabled bathroom (£9k).

The continuing cost of living crisis means that the holidays offered by the charity are even more valued by those members of the community who so need a break. Our continuing fund raising efforts enable us to keep the costs of these breaks as affordable as possible, and also to maintain the house to a good standard. We give thanks to all those who have given their time to volunteer for the charity during the year, your efforts are very much appreciated. And we also give thanks to those in the local community who support us financially, by donating, buying plants and Christmas tree and/or attending our fundraising events.

Ian Simpson
Chair

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31st March 2023

01/04/21 to 31/03/22	<u>Receipts</u>	01/04/22 to 31/03/23	£
£		£	£
23,176.05	Subscriptions & Donations	9,286.54	
15,143.00	Coronavirus grant from Stockport Council	-	
3,902.00	Fees for use of Home	7,799.00	
630.98	Investment Income	1,323.12	
407.36	Telephone 0161 484 5028	265.07	
1,742.86	Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme Grant	-	
45,002.25			18,673.73
	<u>Fund Raising Events - (Gross)</u>		
24,940.57	Plant Sale	20,954.36	
13,949.61	Christmas Trees	12,746.01	
281.00	Tropic Evening	-	
176.61	Sundry income	5.00	
2,329.98	Fab Fan Fayre (inc tips £77 (2022: £20))	14,418.89	
41,677.77			48,124.26
86,680.02	<u>Total Receipts</u>		66,797.99

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

01/04/21 to 31/03/22	<u>Payments</u>	01/04/22 to 31/03/23	£
£		£	£
202.80	Nest (Employer pension contributions)	202.80	
13,000.20	Salary (includes NEST contribs £270.40 (2022: £270.40)	13,000.00	
6,055.91	Heat & Light	6,468.99	
2,974.88	Water & sewerage	2,378.00	
1,843.20	Council Tax	2,349.86	
2,689.96	Insurance	2,625.36	
1,291.32	Telephone & internet	1,341.42	
131.91	Invoiced Petty Cash expenses	855.48	
5,663.51	Repairs & renewals miscellaneous	2,444.46	
250.00	Independent Examiner	300.00	
25.00	Bank charges	18.56	
	New showers	686.93	
-	Disabled bathroom repairs	9,015.39	
-	Defibrillator equipment	936.00	
	Asbestos audit	936.00	
1,847.57	Garden equipment/services	600.00	
3,400.83	Fire protection equipment	2,383.67	
999.57	Home Cover (Heating, Plumbing & Drains)	154.70	
312.80	Card machine lease payments	515.86	
	<u>Equipment funded by specific donations:-</u>	-	
£40,689.46		<hr/>	47,213.48
	<u>Event Expenses</u>		
18,023.59	Plant Sale	13,507.29	
7,460.77	Christmas Trees	7,352.46	
<hr/>		<hr/>	20,859.75
25,484.36			
<hr/>	Total Payments		<hr/>
66,173.82			68,073.23
<hr/>	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year		<hr/>
20,506.20			-1,275.24
<hr/>	Cash Funds last year end		<hr/>
76,326.44			96,832.64
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96,832.64			95,557.40
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96,832.64			95,557.40

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st March 2023

31/3/2022		31/3/2023
	Monetary Assets	
78,127.35	Bank Balance per statements	77,575.80
634.42	Add receipt not credited	709.89
78,761.77		78,285.69
	Less unrepresented cheques/accrued expenses	
2,689.96	Insurance	2,625.36
(10.22)	NEST overpayment	(10.22)
-	Various, including mileage expenses	
-	Water/general maintenance	
250.00	Independent examiner's fees	550.00
271.79	HMRC & wages for prior years	486.21
3,201.53		3,651.35
75,560.24	Bank Balance	74,634.34
527.16	Petty Cash Balance	177.82
76,087.40	Cash Funds this year end	74,812.16
	Investment Assets	
	Government stocks:	
49.71	3.5% Consolidated	49.71
945.93	3.5% War Stock	945.93
	Shares:	
	1970 (2022: 1970) Land Securities PLC £0.10	
15,476.32	Ord Shares £6.212 ps (2022: £7.86 ps)	12,237.64
3,639.67	356 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund	3,639.67
917.13	593 Central Board of Finance Fixed Interest Securities	917.13
	NON-MONETARY ASSETS	
-	Land (3 acres) and buildings occupied by the Manchester Cathedral Country Home at 299 Longhurst Lane, Mellor since 1907 (Not Valued)	-
97,116.16	Total Assets	92,602.24
74,963.04	Assets less liabilities	92,602.24
74,963.04	Accumulated Surplus brought forward	97,116.16
20,506.20	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	(1,275.24)
1,646.92	Movement in Share Values during the year	(3,238.68)
97,116.16	Accumulated Surplus carried forward	92,602.24
885.00	Restricted funds (Marple WI)	0.00
96,231.16	Non Restricted Funds	92,602.24
97,116.16	Accumulated Surplus carried forward	92,602.24

D A Adamson -Treasurer

Mr I Simpson --- Chairperson

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

DONATIONS TO THE HOME DURING THE YEAR TO 31st MARCH 2023

	£
Bioscript Stirling	50.00
Blue Knights	650.00
Carver Theatre	100.00
Charitable Aid Foundation	150.00
Che, Luca & Milo Sutcliffe	183.00
D Adamson	154.70
D&C Church Wardens	3.10
Herbert Swainson Funeral services	372.75
HF & PG Wiles	600.00
In memory of Chris Maybin	110.00
In memory of Lillian Curless	691.30
Jane Michael	50.00
Jeff Whitmore	250.00
Keith Rudkin	20.00
Ladies at Mellor & Townscliffe Golf Club	25.60
Mr & Mrs Denner	1,500.00
Mr & Mrs C Vernon	1,100.00
New Mills Wives Club	50.00
Rachael Robinson	10.00
Romiley & Marple Lions	200.00
Stationery Supplies	150.00
SNT Monday Club	325.00
S Cunningham	2,000.00
The PCC of the ECC	150.00
Tropic Event collection	318.50
UK Online Giving	0.59
Vicky Brown	72.00
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	£9,286.54

Manchester Cathedral Country Home
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Manchester Cathedral Home

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 7 of the Trustee Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts under Section 43 of the 1993 Act; to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 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 Charity Commission. An 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 any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement:

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 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.

IV Lions Accountants
The Courtyard
Earl Road
Cheadle Hulme
Stockport
Cheshire
SK8 6GN

N.J.H.

Date:

22-12-2023

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Signature: -----

Date: -----

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Date: -----

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Dean of Manchester

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Honorary Chair

Mr I Simpson

Honorary Secretary

Mrs P Heywood

Honorary Treasurer

Mr D Adamson

Honorary Assistant Secretary (Fabric)

Mr D Adamson

Trustees (as at 31 March 2022)

Mr I Simpson

Mrs D Mather

Mr M Mather

Mrs S Adamson

Ms S Cunningham

Mrs P Heywood

Ms K Clark

Ms S J Aimson

Mr B M Wilson

Mr D Adamson

Ms L Attenborough

Independent Examiner

Iv Lions Accountants

The Courtyard

Earl Road

Cheadle Hulme, Stockport, SK8 6GN

Bankers

The Royal Bank of Scotland

St Ann Street

Manchester, M60 2SS

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

TRUSTEES REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

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MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Achievement and performance - a report by the Chair

What a year this has been!!! The Covid-19 pandemic protocols wreaked havoc with this charity as I am sure it must have done with many others. Strict observance of the rules was an absolute necessity, but being a provider of shared facilities meant we were affected more than most. It was impossible to implement the requirements for Covid safety purposes, so our doors had to remain closed for most of the year. Despite the restrictive circumstances, the Charity was still able to welcome 168 visitors (46 of whom were children) in the limited time we were open.

A local ladies' group and working parties from Royal London Insurance and the Rotary E Club of Greater Manchester & Cheshire provided much needed assistance in grounds maintenance, for which the Charity was very grateful.

The expense of maintaining the Home itself whilst keeping the charges for staying there as low as possible is a constant balancing act. I cannot stress enough just how important our voluntary donations and fund-raising activities are. In this particularly stressful year donations exceeded £23,000, which is an exceptional figure, boosted massively by a payment of £13,807.55 from the Estate of Jean Buckley. The list of donations is shown on page 8. I would just like to give special thanks to John Woodward; this gentleman went to Spain to mend a unique window for a friend and asked him to make a donation to the home in return for his services.

Our two large annual fund raising events, the plant sale and the Christmas tree sale both went ahead, although not without the added difficulties caused by Covid. The usual indoor refreshments had to be replaced with takeaways. The Christmas tree sale was a great success, with many volunteers giving up their time to deliver the trees. The introduction of the ability to make orders online was another step forward and helped to increase sales. Thank you to all our volunteers who put so much effort into making these events such a success - the Charity raised £13,405.82 from them.

The lifting of the Covid restrictions meant that the Charity was able to return to the Etihad Stadium. The team raised £2,329.98; we are looking forward to raising much more in the year to 31/3/23, as this is now becoming an important income stream as we plan for the future. Grateful thanks for everyone for giving up so much of their time.

In addition to all the usual on-going annual expenditure attributed to the maintenance of an old building, it is worth mentioning that there were two exceptional costs this year, being the installation of a new fire alarm system and control panel and the re-guttering of the house front. Within the grounds, 4 large trees had to be felled. Two large quality gazebos and some garden furniture were purchased. We constantly seek to upgrade and improve the building itself and the range of facilities we can offer to the families staying with us.

In carrying out this work and making forward plans, the management committee is keen to retain the unique family atmosphere and relaxed surroundings that our visitors value so much. The constant support, time and effort that the management committee provides to help this small but essential charity in our needy times is a constant reminder of our need to outreach.

I am looking forward to the following year with confidence and enthusiasm in the hope that we can help more families to come and enjoy the benefit of countryside holidays.

Ian Simpson
Chairman

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31st March 2022

01/04/20 to 31/03/21	<u>Receipts</u>	01/04/21 to 31/03/22	£
£		£	£
18,733.12	Subscriptions & Donations	23,176.05	
25,000.00	Coronavirus grant from Stockport Council	15,143.00	
-	Fees for use of Home	3,902.00	
535.14	Investment Income	630.98	
147.30	Telephone 0161 484 5028	407.36	
10,020.23	Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme Grant	1,742.86	
<u>54,435.79</u>		<u>45,002.25</u>	
	<u>Fund Raising Events - (Gross)</u>		
-	Plant Sale	24,940.57	
16,379.43	Christmas Trees	13,949.61	
-	Tropic Evening	281.00	
205.00	Sundry income	176.61	
-	Fab Fan Fayre (inc tips £20 (2021: £nil))	2,329.98	
<u>16,584.43</u>		<u>41,677.77</u>	
<u><u>71,020.22</u></u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u><u>86,680.02</u></u>	

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

01/04/20 to 31/03/21	<u>Payments</u>	01/04/21 to 31/03/22	£
£		£	£
202.80	Nest (Employer pension contributions)	202.80	
13,022.50	Salary (includes NEST contribs £270.40 (2021: £270.40))	13,000.20	
5,634.44	Heat & Light	6,055.91	
1,962.11	Water & sewerage	2,974.88	
1,326.64	Council Tax	1,843.20	
2,540.87	Insurance	2,689.96	
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118.80	Invoiced Petty Cash expenses	131.91	
9,284.06	Repairs & renewals miscellaneous	5,663.51	
250.00	Independent Examiner	250.00	
25.00	Bank charges	25.00	
-	Mileage claims		
-	Garden equipment	1,847.57	
-	Fire protection equipment	3,400.83	
1,022.82	Home Cover (Heating, Plumbing & Drains)	999.57	
571.57	Card machine lease payments	312.80	
	<u>Equipment funded by specific donations:-</u>		
-	Play area & bike shed	-	
£37,619.63			40,689.46
	<u>Event Expenses</u>		
-	Plant Sale	18,023.59	
-	Winterwonderland	-	
-	Christmas Delights	-	
-	Clarins	-	
7,511.91	Christmas Trees	7,460.77	
7,511.91			25,484.36
45,131.54	Total Payments		66,173.82
25,888.68	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year		20,506.20
50,437.76	Cash Funds last year end		76,326.44
76,326.44			96,832.64
76,326.44	Cash Funds this year end		96,832.64

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st March 2022

31/3/2021		31/3/2022
	Monetary Assets	
56,846.28	Bank Balance per statements	78,127.35
1,937.15	Add receipt not credited	634.42
58,783.43		78,761.77
	Less unrepresented cheques	
305.73	D Adamson (loan)	-
2,540.87	Insurance	2,689.96
-	NEST overpayment	(10.22)
-	Various, including mileage expenses	
-	Water/general maintenance	
250.00	Independent examiner's fees	250.00
284.02	HMRC & wages for prior years	271.79
3,361.30		3,201.53
55,422.13	Bank Balance	75,560.24
159.07	Petty Cash Balance	527.16
55,581.20	Cash Funds this year end	76,087.40
	Investment Assets	
	Government stocks:	
49.71	3.5% Consolidated	nv 49.71
945.93	3.5% War Stock	nv 945.93
	Shares:	
	1970 (2021: 1970) Land Securities PLC £0.10 Ord	
13,829.40	Shares £7.86ps (2021: £7.02 ps)	15,476.32
3,639.67	356 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund	3,639.67
917.13	593 Central Board of Finance Fixed Interest Securities	917.13
	<u>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</u>	
-	Land (3 acres) and buildings occupied by the Manchester Cathedral Country Home at 299 Longhurst Lane, Mellor since 1907 (Not Valued)	-
74,963.04	Total Assets	97,116.16
74,963.04	<u>Assets less liabilities</u>	97,116.16
46,198.16	Accumulated Surplus brought forward	74,963.04
25,888.68	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	20,506.20
2,876.20	Movement in Share Values during the year	1,646.92
74,963.04	Accumulated Surplus carried forward	97,116.16
885.00	Restricted funds (Marple WI)	885.00
74,078.04	Non Restricted Funds	96,231.16
74,963.04	Accumulated Surplus carried forward	97,116.16

D A Adamson -Treasurer

Mr I Simpson --- Chairperson

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

DONATIONS TO THE HOME DURING THE YEAR TO 31st MARCH 2022

	£
A Royle	62.00
A & R Dick	495.00
Anonymous	1,079.00
Brabyns Prep School	150.00
Charitable Aid Foundation	200.00
Christine Croft	10.00
D Adamson	163.23
D&C Church Wardens	3.10
Elaine Nadin	10.00
Estate of Jean Buckley	13,807.55
G & B Millington	100.00
HF & PG Wiles	600.00
Iceland Foods Limited	171.00
In memory of Irene Smith	796.00
John Woodward	1,177.67
Just Giving	9.61
Ladies of Marple Methodist Church	803.21
Ludworth Allotment Society	138.00
Manchester Diocese	469.43
Marple Festival	1,000.00
Mrs J Houghton	25.00
Miss Clifford	10.00
Mr & Mrs C Vernon	250.00
Miss Jane Michael	50.00
Mr & Mrs Martin	50.00
Mrs Avril Marsh	20.00
Nancy Kelly	20.00
Pauline Wadbrook	100.00
Paypal	1,006.25
Romiley & Marple Lions	400.00
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	£23,176.05

Manchester Cathedral Country Home

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Manchester Cathedral Home

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(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**IV Lions Accountants
The Courtyard
Earl Road
Cheadle Hulme
Stockport
Cheshire
SK8 6GN**

A.J.W.

Date:

31/3/2023

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Could you help by making a donation?

The charity depends entirely on voluntary donations, no regular funding is forthcoming from church or state. Considering the low tariff and the escalating expenses incurred in running the Home, any donation, **however small**, is always very welcome.

If you are a UK taxpayer and eligible to Gift Aid your donation please complete the declaration below. This will increase your gift by 25p for every £1 given at no extra cost to you or us. Thank you.

Name of Charity: Manchester Cathedral Country Home

Details of Donor:-

Full name: _____
address: _____

I would like the charity to treat the enclosed donation of £_____ as a Gift Aid donation. You must pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that the charity reclaims on your donation in the tax year. (currently £2.50 for every £10.00 donated)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please send any donations to the Hon Treasurer, Mr D Adamson c/o Mellor Country House, 299 Longhurst Lane, Mellor, Stockport, SK6 5PP.

THANK YOU

**Charity Commission registered title
MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME
BANKER'S ORDER**

A Banker's Order saves time and cost. If you prefer this method of payment, please fill in your Bank's details.
your bank's details.

Please send the completed form to The Honorary Treasurer, Mr D Adamson, c/o Mellor
Country House, Mellor, Stockport, Cheshire, SK6 5PP.

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BANK'S NAME
Bank's Address
..... Postcode
Bank's sorting code
Your Account No
Account name

Please pay to the Account of Mellor Country House (the official registered working
name for the Trust known as The Manchester Cathedral Country Home) with the Royal
Bank of Scotland plc, St Ann Street, Manchester, M60 2SS, sort code 16-00-02, Account
number 11840463 the sum of £ ----- **now and every successive year** on the same day
until further notice.

Signed: -----

Date: -----

Registered Charity Number: 241153

THE MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

England & Wales - Charity number 241153

Accounts

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

131st Annual Report

1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021



299 Longhurst Lane, Mellor, Stockport, Cheshire, SK6 5PP

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Email: mellorcountryhou@btconnect.com

**Over a century of country holidays for low income families and individuals
who would otherwise not have a holiday**

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 241153

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

President

The Very Revd Rogers Govender
Dean of Manchester

Committee of Management (Charity Trustees)

Honorary Chair

Mr I Simpson

Honorary Secretary

Mrs D Mather

Honorary Treasurer

Mr D Adamson

Honorary Assistant Secretary (Fabric)

Mr D Adamson

Trustees (as at 31 March 2021)

Mr I Simpson

Mrs D Mather

Mr M Mather

Mrs S Adamson

Ms S Cunningham

Mrs P Heywood

Ms K Clark

Ms S J Aimson

Mr B M Wilson

Mr D Adamson

Independent Examiner

Mr VF Mather FCA
VF Mather & Co Chart Account's
4 Houldsworth Square
Reddish, Stockport, SK5 7AF

Bankers

The Royal Bank of Scotland
St Ann Street
Manchester, M60 2SS

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

TRUSTEES REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

Administrative details

Charity Name & Registered Charity Number

The Charity's name is the Manchester Cathedral Country Home. It is also known locally as Mellor Country House.

Trustees

There shall be not less than two nor more than four Trustees.

The following individuals served as Trustees during the year:

Margaret Powell (Resigned as Chair 17 September 2020)

Ian Simpson (Appointed as Chair 17 September 2020)

Mark Mather

Danielle Mather

David Adamson

Sharon Adamson

Katie Clark

Sue Cunningham

Penelope Heywood

Sally Aimson (Appointed 10 August 2020)

Benjamin Wilson (Appointed 10 August 2020)

Structure, governance and management

The governing document of the Charity is a Deed of Trust dated 19 April 1919 as varied by a 1996 Deed of 1996 Deed in part by a Resolution dated the 20th July 1996.

The area of benefit covers the cities of Manchester and Salford.

The charitable object is for the provision of a holiday home for persons of either sex dwelling in Manchester or dwelling in Greater Manchester , Salford & Stockport.

The Holiday Home is under the general direction, management and control of a Committee of Management (Charity Trustees) assisted by volunteers in running fund raising events.

Reserves:

The Charity maintains a level of reserves sufficient to enable it to operate for a period of twelve months without twelve months without significant income. Each year the charity trustees review the income and prepare a fund raising strategy.

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Achievement and performance - a report by the Chair

In normal times, the Manchester Cathedral Country Home (working name Mellor Country House "MCH") provides self-catering holidays for financially and socially distanced families, individuals and groups from the urban areas of Greater Manchester (inclusive of Stockport) and Salford. enjoyed a fulfilling and successful year. The aim of the Charity is to give much needed breaks to people who need them the most.

Sadly, due to the on-going impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, MCH was unable to open to visitors during the year to 31 March 2021. Activities were limited to online fundraising and the sale of Christmas trees. Maintenance of MCH was restricted due to the lack of funds and the availability of contractors. The usual working parties which help to keep the extensive grounds in good order had to be curtailed due to the social distancing restrictions imposed by Covid-19. The grounds have suffered as a result. The Trustees intend to put together a recovery plan which will recruit local volunteers to bring the maintenance of the grounds and buildings up to date.

Nonetheless, with support from a government grant of £25,000, the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme, donations from individuals totalling £18,333, together with net proceeds from the sale of Christmas trees, MCH had net receipts of £25,889 for the year. This puts MCH in a good position to be able to offer breaks as soon as Covid-19 restrictions are lifted. Special thanks are due to Sarah Laker of Marple Stationery Supplies, who raised over £6,000 from a sponsored head shave, an absolutely magnificent effort! MCH owes a great debt to local individuals such as Sarah and other individual donors who are the life blood of the charity. A full list of donations made during the year can be found on page 8.

As MCH enters the year to 31 March 2022, it is uncertain when it will be able to reopen. The open plan design of the house and shared facilities does not lend itself to meeting social distancing requirements. For this reason, the number of residents will be restricted to one family staying at any one time during the 2021 season (together with the resident housekeeper and her husband). Our whole approach is now focussed on making sure that once the Covid-19 pandemic is over, MCH is in good position to open for those seeking support and refuge. Holidays will be more vital than ever to those vulnerable and needy families.

During the year, our previous Honorary Chair, Margaret Powell requested a sabbatical in July 2020, and finally decided to step down as Chair on 17 September 2020. Margaret's contribution to MCH over the years has been extremely valuable and we remain extremely grateful for her efforts in fundraising and raising the profile of MCH in the local communities.

Ian Simpson was appointed Acting Chair during Margaret's sabbatical and was installed as Chair upon Margaret's resignation on 17 September 2020. Trustee and Management meetings have been held virtually on a regular basis.

Ian Simpson
Honorary Chair

The Trustees approved the Trustee's Report on _____

Signed on behalf of the Trustees _____

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

01/04/19 to 31/03/20	<u>Receipts</u>	01/04/20 to 31/03/21	
£		£	£
22,470.39	Subscriptions & Donations	18,733.12	
	Coronavirus grant from Stockport Council	25,000.00	
8,709.00	Fees for use of Home	-	
1,072.47	Investment Income	535.14	
630.56	Telephone 0161 484 5028	147.30	
404.92	Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme Grant	10,020.23	
<hr/> 33,287.34		<hr/>	54,435.79
	<u>Fund Raising Events - (Gross)</u>		
21,997.58	Plant Sale	-	
5,452.00	Christmas Trees	16,379.43	
365.00	Christmas Delights	-	
120.00	Winter Wonderland	-	
876.00	Ladies Evenings/Clarins	-	
505.00	Handbags at Dusk	-	
710.78	Garden Parties, toy sale, sundry income etc.	205.00	
16,234.36	Fab Fan Fayre (plus tips £nil (2020: £393.75))	-	
<hr/> 46,260.72		<hr/>	16,584.43
<hr/> <hr/> 79,548.06	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<hr/> <hr/> 71,020.22	

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

01/04/19 to 31/03/20	<u>Payments</u>	01/04/20 to 31/03/21	£
£		£	£
208.10	Nest (Employer pension contributions)	202.80	
13,212.62	Salary (includes NEST contribs £270.40 (2020: £287.04))	13,022.50	
5,242.51	Heat & Light	5,634.44	
2,585.48	Water & sewerage	1,962.11	
2,971.70	Council Tax	1,326.64	
1,999.52	Insurance	2,540.87	
1,553.61	Telephone & internet	1,658.02	
670.86	Invoiced Petty Cash expenses	118.80	
6,478.16	Repairs & renewals miscellaneous	9,284.06	
250.00	Independent Examiner	250.00	
25.00	Bank charges	25.00	
2,350.35	Mileage claims	-	
1,072.16	Garden lamps & guards	-	
1,300.00	Uniform for volunteers	-	
1,071.69	Home Cover (Heating, Plumbing & Drains)	1,022.82	
450.71	Card machine lease payments	571.57	
	<u>Equipment funded by specific donations:-</u>		
13,723.20	Play area & bike shed	-	
£55,165.67		37,619.63	
	<u>Event Expenses</u>		
15,746.33	Plant Sale	-	
40.00	Winterwonderland	-	
246.39	Christmas Delights	-	
216.64	Clarins	-	
2,989.59	Christmas Trees	7,511.91	
19,238.95		7,511.91	
74,404.62	<u>Total Payments</u>	45,131.54	
5,143.44	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	25,888.68	
24,549.08	Cash Funds last year end	29,692.52	
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MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st March 2021

31/3/2020		31/3/2021	
	Monetary Assets		
30,928.49	Bank Balance per statements	56,846.28	
2,249.54	Add receipt not credited	1,937.15	
33,178.03		58,783.43	
	Less unrepresented cheques		
0.00	D Adamson (loan)	305.73	
2,539.52	Insurance	2,540.87	
-	NEST underpayment	(19.32)	
339.67	Various, including mileage expenses	-	
670.40	Water/general maintenance	-	
250.00	Independent examiner's fees	250.00	
155.64	HMRC & wages for prior years	284.02	
3,955.23		3,361.30	
29,222.80	Bank Balance		55,422.13
469.72	Petty Cash Balance		159.07
29,692.52	Cash Funds this year end		55,581.20
	Investment Assets		
	Government stocks:		
49.71	3.5% Consolidated	nv	49.71
945.93	3.5% War Stock	nv	945.93
	Shares:		
	1970 (2019: 1970) Land Securities PLC £0.10 Ord		
10,953.20	Shares £5.56ps (2019: £9.14 ps)		13,829.40
3,639.67	356 Central Board of Finance Investment Fund		3,639.67
917.13	593 Central Board of Finance Fixed Interest Securities		917.13
	<u>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</u>		
-	Land (3 acres) and buildings occupied by the Manchester Cathedral Country Home at 299 Longhurst Lane, Mellor since 1907 (Not Valued)		-
46,198.16	Total Assets		74,963.04
46,198.16	<u>Assets less liabilities</u>		74,963.04
48,107.32	Accumulated Surplus brought forward		46,198.16
5,143.44	Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year		25,888.68
(7,052.60)	Movement in Share Values during the year		2,876.20
46,198.16	Accumulated Surplus carried forward		74,963.04
885.00	Restricted funds (Marple WI)		885.00
45,313.16	Non Restricted Funds		74,078.04
46,198.16	Accumulated Surplus carried forward		74,963.04

D A Adamson -Treasurer

Mr I Simpson --- Chairperson

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL COUNTRY HOME

DONATIONS TO THE HOME DURING THE YEAR to 31st MARCH 2021

	£
A Ford	100.00
Carver Theatre	100.00
Anne Shaw	30.00
Anonymous	424.00
Brenda Kaye	50.00
Charitable Aid Foundation	150.00
D Adamson	166.55
D&C Church	3.10
DP & J Bolsover	40.00
Duchy of Lancaster Grant	1,000.00
Elaine Nadine Tea Party	447.00
Friends of Chadkirk Chapel	400.00
Greg Loynes	100.00
Greg Spiller	250.00
H Webb	50.00
HF & PG Wiles	600.00
In memory of Ava Woodward	80.00
Inner Wheel	150.00
JL Bayley	20.00
Just Giving	2,108.04
Ken Pilkington	50.00
Ladies' Walking Group	100.00
Mr & Mrs B C Thompson	50.00
Mr & Mrs P Jackson	100.00
Mr & Mrs PA Vernon	250.00
Mr M Holt	30.00
Mr N N Marsh	50.00
Mr R Ward	100.00
Mrs C Schofield	25.00
Mrs Hawkes	50.00
Mrs J M Coopers	50.00
Mrs JL Qualter	100.00
Mrs LE Nadin	101.75
Mrs Murch	20.00
Mrs Roman	20.00
NC & WA Donovan	1,000.00
Neighbour cash donation	50.00
Olwyn Wych	10.00
Paypal	4,436.97
Romily & Marple Lions	200.00
Rotary Club Benevolent fund	250.00
Sponsored head shave	5,420.71

£18,733.12

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15/12/2021

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Date:

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