

**Registered Charity Number: 248191**

**Barker Bridge House Trust  
(Church Branch)**

**Annual Report and Accounts  
for the year ending 31 December 2023**

**Bank**  
CAF Bank Ltd  
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**Annual Report 2023**

**Background**

The full name of the charity is ‘Robert Barker or The Bridge House Trust (Church Branch)’ and is registered under Charity number 248191. The Trust is commonly known as ‘Barker Bridge House Trust (Church Branch)’ being its authorised working name. Any correspondence should be addressed to BBHT – The Treasurer, St Mary’s church vicarage – London Road, Datchet, SL3 9JW. The Trust’s bank account is entitled ‘Barker Bridge House Trust (Church Branch)’ located at CAF Bank Ltd, West Malling.

The Trust is operated in accordance with a scheme for the regulation of the Charity, sealed by order of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales on 22 June. 1961. The scheme provides for the Church Branch to have five trustees, who shall apply the income received from ‘Robert Barker or The Bridge House Trust (Estate)’ in or towards defraying the cost of the repair of the Parish Church, Datchet.

Following correspondence with the Charity Commission in 1998, the trustees have resolved to interpret the trust to permit them to reimburse the PCC of St. Mary the Virgin, Datchet as follows: - Any expenditure incurred in respect of keeping the Church (including the Church Room annexed to it, known from 2014 as the Church Community Centre) in a good state of repair and condition. This will be taken to include fees and costs associated with preventative maintenance; general maintenance; cleaning, insurance and replacements and improvements arising out of the need to repair. Expenditure on ancillary equipment that is necessary to undertake repairs to the Church, e.g. ladders, will also be permitted. In 2007 the Charity Commission agreed the PCC may be reimbursed the cost of services including heating, electricity, and water. In 2008 costs associated with churchyard maintenance became allowable.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance ‘Public Benefit: running a charity (PB2)’.

**Church Trustees**

The following trustees served during the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023:-

Ex Officio	Darcy Chesterfield-Terry	(Chairman) Vicar of the Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Datchet (Resigned 30/09/2023)
	Mrs Elaine Eastham	Churchwarden of the Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Datchet
	Sally-Anne Jarvis	Churchwarden of the Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Datchet
Nominative	Mrs Marcena Hill	(Clerk)
	Mr Michael Edwards	(Treasurer )

**Review of the Year**

Income for the year amounted to £30,667 being £30,000 standard receipts plus a surplus of £667 distributed by the Barker Bridge House Trust Estate. Balance of the income was made up of interest received during the year.

In 2023 the trustees met claims from the PCC of £37,588. Direct costs for accountant fees was £1,746.

Final cash balance amounted to £66,356.

**Reserves policy**

The Barker Bridge House Trust maintains its reserves at a minimum level consistent with maintaining its viability. At the year end the level of unrestricted reserves excluding fixed assets was £67,934 (2022 - £76,508).

On behalf of the Trustees

Trustee: M Edwards

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Date: 23-May-2024

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**Independent Examiners' Report  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 3 to 6.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent Examiners Statement**

I have completed my examination. I 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 in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2/ the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3/ the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

This report is made solely to the Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Company's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

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Menzies LLP  
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Date: 24-May-2024

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**Balance Sheet  
as at 31 December 2023**

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Investments	6	-	-
<b>Current Assets</b>			
CAF Current Account		66,356	85,038
Accrual for money to be received		-	-
Debtors		8,000	-
		<u>74,356</u>	<u>85,038</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Accruals for Church Repairs, Services and Fees		4,972	6,250
Accruals for accountant fees		<u>1,450</u>	<u>2,280</u>
		6,422	8,530
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u><u>67,934</u></u>	<u><u>76,508</u></u>
<b>Funds</b>			
Reserves		<u>67,934</u>	<u>76,508</u>
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**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Income</b>			
Estate Trustees	2	30,667	35,000
Interest received		<u>153</u>	<u>68</u>
<b>Total Income</b>		30,820	35,068
 <b>Expenditure</b>	5		
Repair and Maintenance of the Church, Services and Fees		32,617	8,171
Accrued Repairs and Maintenance, Services and Fees		4,971	6,250
Accrued accountant fees		1,746	1,140
VAT on 2021 accountant fee		-	190
Bank fees		<u>60</u>	<u>81</u>
<b>Total expenditure</b>		39,394	15,832
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>		<u>- 8,574</u>	<u>19,236</u>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>- 8,574</u>	<u>19,236</u>
<b>Fund balances brought forward</b>		<u>76,508</u>	<u>57,272</u>
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>		<u><u>67,934</u></u>	<u><u>76,508</u></u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

**1 Accounting Policies**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets which are shown as market value.

**Incoming Resources**

Income from the Barker Bridge Estate Branch is recognised when receivable.

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable.

**Resources Used**

Grants and donations are accounted for when the trustees have met and agreed to refund a specified sum to the PCC.

**2 Income - Estate Trustees**

The Church Trustees receive two fifths of the net income from the Barker Bridge Estate Trust. All funds are restricted to the repair and maintenance of the Parish Church of Datchet, including the annexed church room, also the churchyard plus insurance and provision of utility services.

**3 Fund Raising**

There was no fund raising during the year.

**4 Reimbursement by the PCC**

There was no reimbursements by the PCC in 2023 (2022 - £nil).

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**5 Expenditure**

The following repair costs were refunded by the Trust to the PCC of St. Mary's Church:-

	£
<u>Church Maintenance</u>	
Cleaning	2,520
Sundry church maintenance	22,231
Upkeep of Church Yard	69
	<u>24,820</u>

Insurance, heating and utilities

Insurance	4,497
Gas & Electricity	3,376
Oil	4,748
Water	147
	<u>12,768</u>

Accrued Repairs and Maintenance, Services and Fees total	<u><u>37,588</u></u>
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The following administration costs arose in 2023:-

Menzies LLP	Accountants fee	1,746	
CAF Bank	Bank fees	60	<u>1,806</u>
			<u><u>39,394</u></u>

**6 Investments**

The Church Branch did not hold any investments in 2023.

**7 Independent examiner's remuneration**

	2023	2022
Independent Examination fees	<u><u>1,650</u></u>	<u><u>1,050</u></u>

**8 Trustees' remuneration and expenses**

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2022 - *£NIL*) .

During the year ended 31 December 2023, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2022 - *£NIL*) .

**9 Related party transactions**

There have been no related party transactions during the year (2022 - *£NIL*) .