

# CHRISTCHURCH DRILL HALL CHARITY TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 259692

## Details

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**Other names** DRILL HALL, DRILL HALL TRUST

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1970-01-26

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** FOR USE AS A DRILL HALL, OFFICES, RECREATION ROOMS & RESIDENTIAL QUARTERS FOR AND IN CONNECTION WITH THE ORGANISATION TRAINING DRILLING ASSEMBLAGE GOVERNMENT RECREATION & OTHER MILITARY OR OTHER OBJECTS OF THE CHRISTCHURCH COMPANY OF THE ROYAL HAMPSHIRE REGIMENT. 2) ANY PURPOSE WHICH MAY BE OF UTILITY TO OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TOWN & NEIGHBOURHOOD OF CHRISTCHURCH OR ANY PART THEREOF & THE INHABITANTS THEREOF (INCLUDING THE PURPOSES OF ANY MILITARY CORPS TO BE HEREAFTER FORMED IN CHRISTCHURCH) AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL IN THEIR ABSOLUTE DISCRETION THINK POORER AND SHALL BE DEED DIRECT.

**Activities:** TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY OF CHRISTCHURCH

## Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** TOWN AND NEIGHBOURHOOD OF CHRISTCHURCH
- Dorset

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£3,786	£28,255	-	-
2023-12-31	£5,550	£11,841	-	-
2022-12-31	£26,046	£18,514	-	-
2021-12-31	£23,262	£19,154	-	-
2020-12-31	£21,896	£16,874	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Oliver John Harben Chamberlain QVRM TD DL	Chair	
Avril Elizabeth Coulton		2024-01-01
Chris Ridge		2014-02-25
ELISABETH RICHARDS		2024-01-01

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# Accounts

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**CHRISTCHURCH DRILL HALL CHARITY TRUST  
UNAUDITED REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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TRUSTEES: EX OFFICIO – APPOINTMENT

Chairman: Colonel O Chamberlain

Secretary: Mrs H Owen

Mayor of Christchurch: Cllr S Bungey

Vicar of Christchurch: Reverend Canon Charles Stewart

TRUSTEES ELECTED

Trustees: Mrs J Spencer  
Mr M Beams

Chartered Surveyor: Mr C Ridge

Honorary Treasurer: Mr P J Minchell

Solicitors: Trowers & Hamlins  
Linacre House  
Southernhay Gardens  
Exeter, Devon, EX1 1UG

Bankers: Lloyds Bank  
92-94 Above Bar St  
Southampton,  
Hampshire, SO14 7DT

M&G Investments  
10 Fenchurch Ave  
London, EC3M 5AG

Scottish Widows Bank  
67 Morrison Street  
Edinburgh, EH3 8YJ

Charity Commission Registration Number: 259692

Contact Name & Principal Office: Mr P J Minchell  
Mount House  
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Taunton,  
TA1 3QE

## CHRISTCHURCH DRILL HALL CHARITY TRUST

### TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

The trustees present their report with the accounts of Christchurch Drill Hall Charity Trust for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and in accordance with the accounting policies on page 9 and the governing document of the Charity and comply with the Charities Act 2011.

Legal and administrative information is set out on page 1 which forms part of this report.

#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trust originates from an indenture dated 28 July 1908 concerned with the establishment of premises for a company of the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion of the Hampshire Regiment (Territorial Army) on land off Portfield Road in Christchurch. This indenture is still the governing document of the Trust. In the event that the company is disbanded and the premises are not required for military use, the trustees are to hold the property for the benefit of the "Town and Neighbourhood of Christchurch" and the inhabitants of Christchurch.

The Trust is managed by the trustees who meet not less than twice a year, and more often if necessary.

#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

There shall be four ex-officio trustees and two nominated trustees at all times. The ex-officio trustees are the Chairman of Dorset RFCA, the Deputy Chief Executive of Wessex RFCA, the Mayor of Christchurch and the Vicar of the parish of Christchurch. The two nominated trustees are to be nominated by the Chairman of Dorset RFCA.

#### OBJECTIVES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT

- 1 To provide the property owned by the Charity for use as a Drill Hall, offices, recreation rooms and residential quarters for and in connection with the organisation, training, drilling, assemblage, government recreation, and other military or other objects of the Christchurch Company of the Royal Hampshire Regiment.
- 2 Any purpose which may be of utility to or for the benefit of the town or neighbourhood of Christchurch or any part thereof and the inhabitants thereof (including the purposes of any military corps to be hereafter formed in Christchurch) as the trustees shall be in their absolute discretion think proper and shall by deed direct.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

As stated above, the Trust holds a property which was originally the premises for a company of the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion of the Hampshire Regiment (Territorial Army) on land off Portfield Road in Christchurch. The main building is let to the Christchurch Borough Council on a full repairing lease and the Council sub-lets it to various community groups. Additional premises at the rear of the main building are let to the Wessex Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for use by a local unit of the Army Cadet Force and to Dorset Reclaim, a local charity. The Trust had net current assets valued at £200,693 (2021: £200,452) as at 31 December 2022. Rental income and investment interest beyond that required to maintain the Trust and the premises is available for disbursement. Grants to a total of £18,506 (2021: £19,150) were made in the year ended 31 December 2022. Canvassing of local organisations is done regularly but does not always generate many requests for financial help.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT  
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**RESERVES POLICY**

The Trust holds net current assets valued at £200,693 (2021: £200,452) as at 31 December 2022. These are regarded as the Trust's reserves. The trustees seek, at the least, to maintain the real value of these funds, that is so to arrange the investments that they increase in monetary terms at a rate equal to or greater than inflation over an economic cycle. The reserves are maintained in order to generate sufficient investment income to fund the charitable activities of the charity.

**PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The Charities Act 2011 explicitly includes "Public Benefit" in the definition of "Charitable Purpose". The trustees, in accordance with section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011, had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

In addition to making the hall available for local groups to use, the Trust also provides financial aid to local groups and individuals whose intended activity may be expected to be of benefit to the wider Christchurch community.

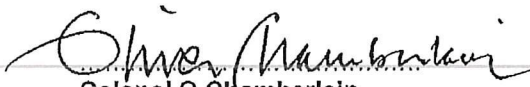
**GRANT MAKING POLICY**

The governing document allows the trustees wide discretion to make grants to the benefit of the "town and neighbourhood of Christchurch... and the inhabitants thereof". Subject to the availability of funds, the trustees will consider firstly applications from organisations working for the benefit of groups of people in Christchurch, and secondly to individual applicants from Christchurch with preference to those whose intended activity may be expected to be of benefit to the wider Christchurch community in the longer term. The trustees will consider applications from organisations whose areas of activity are outside Christchurch or not confined to Christchurch if there is clear evidence that these activities are of benefit to people from Christchurch.

**RISK MANAGEMENT**

The trustees acknowledge their requirements with regard to risk management and have put in place policies and procedures to monitor and mitigate risks.

I declare, in my capacity of charity trustee that the trustees have approved the report above and have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

  
Colonel O Chamberlain  
Chairman of Trustees

5<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
Date

CHRISTCHURCH DRILL HALL CHARITY TRUST

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF CHRISTCHURCH DRILL HALL CHARITY TRUST

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Christchurch Drill Hall Charity**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Christchurch Drill Hall Charity (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; 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.



**Robert Whitehead FCCA**  
**Independent examiner**

Ground Floor  
Blackbrook Gate 1  
Blackbrook Business Park  
TAUNTON  
Somerset  
TA1 2PX

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024

CHRISTCHURCH DRILL HALL CHARITY TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Bank Interest (Lloyds)	0	0
Bank Interest (Scottish Widows)	64	36
M&G Charifund	6,982	6,225
	<u>7,046</u>	<u>6,261</u>
 <i>Miscellaneous Income</i>		
Wessex RFCA rent	2,000	0
Dorset Reclaim rent	<u>17,000</u>	<u>17,000</u>
	<u>19,000</u>	<u>17,000</u>
Gross Income	<u><u>26,046</u></u>	<u><u>23,261</u></u>
 <b>OTHER RECEIPTS</b>		
Proceeds from the sale of investments	0	0
 <b>TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	 <u><u>26,046</u></u>	 <u><u>23,261</u></u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022  
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CHARITABLE PAYMENTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Grants paid</b>		
Dorset Reclaim	-	-
M&G Charity	-	-
Brendoncare Clubs	2,000	-
Waterlily Project	2,500	-
Mudford Scouts	3,000	-
Friends Of Twynham	3,000	-
Wessex RFCA	-	-
Lester Aldridge	2,506	-
W N Gadd	5,000	-
Christchurch Carnival	500	1,000
Portfield Hall	-	3,150
Twynham Church	-	-
Faithworks Christchurch	-	5,000
Mayor's Charity fund	-	5,000
Daniel Bell	-	5,000
	<u>18,506</u>	<u>19,150</u>

ADMINISTRATION COSTS

Trowers and Hamlins	-	-
Bank Charges	8	4
Total Administration Expenses	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>

OTHER PAYMENTS

Cost of Investments purchased	-	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<u>18,514</u>	<u>19,154</u>

NET OF RECEIPTS/ (PAYMENTS)	7,532	4,107
CASH FUNDS LAST YEAR END	69,549	65,442
<b>CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END</b>	<u>77,081</u>	<u>69,549</u>

**CHRISTCHURCH DRILL HALL CHARITY TRUST**  
**RECONCILIATION BETWEEN RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**  
**AND CURRENT ASSETS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	FY2022 General Funds	FY2022 Restricted Funds	FY2022 Total	FY2021 Total
Total receipts for the year	Page 5	26,046	-	26,046	23,261
Total payments for the year	Page 6	18,514	-	18,514	19,154
Net receipts for the year		<u>7,532</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,531</u>	<u>4,107</u>
Cash, bank and similar funds for for the previous year		200,452	-	200,452	180,899
Revised net receipts for the year		7,532	-	7,532	4,107
Movement in value of M&G Charifund		(7,291)	-	(7,291)	15,447
Cash, bank and similar funds as at 31 Dec		<u>200,693</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200,693</u>	<u>200,452</u>

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

**Basis of Accounting**

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and in accordance with the governing document of the Charity and comply with the Charities Act 2011.

**Trustees' Remuneration**

No trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration nor reimbursed expenses during the year.

**Related Party Transactions**

There were no related party transactions in the current or preceding year.

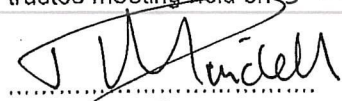
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	FY2022 General Funds £	FY2022 Restricted Funds £	FY2022 Total £	FY2021 Total £
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
Lloyds Bank	40,736	-	40,736	33,269
Scottish Widows Bank	36,345	-	36,345	36,280
	<u>77,081</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>77,081</u>	<u>69,549</u>
<b>Investment Funds at valuation</b>				
M&G Charifund - at valuation	123,612	-	123,612	130,904
	<u>123,612</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>123,612</u>	<u>130,904</u>
<b>TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENT FUNDS</b>	<u>200,693</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200,693</u>	<u>200,452</u>
<b>Current and total liabilities</b>				
Creditors	<u>0</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>CURRENT AND TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>200,693</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200,693</u>	<u>200,452</u>
<b>LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT</b>				
Land, Barn and Buildings to rear of Drill Hall	157,500	-	157,500	157,500
Drill Hall	150,000	-	150,000	150,000
	<u>307,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>307,500</u>	<u>307,500</u>


The Land, Barn, Buildings and Drill Hall were valued in June 2006 by Sales Surveyors and Valuers. This Valuation has been included in the 2022 accounts.

The above account and accompanying Statement of Assets and Liabilities were approved by the trustees at a trustee meeting held on ~~5<sup>th</sup> March 2024~~ and signed on their behalf by the honorary treasurer.

  
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Mr P Minchell  
Honorary Treasurer

Accounts approved

  
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Chairman

  
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Secretary