

**MALMESBURY LEAGUE OF FRIENDS**

**Registered Charity No. 261801**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**Year Ended 31st December 2021**

## MALMESBURY LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

### Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2021

The Malmesbury League of Friends is a charity registered with the Charity Commissioners (No, 261801).

The Governing Instrument is the present Constitution, which complies with the requirements of the Charity Commissioners and was adopted on the 17th May 2007.

The registered address is that of the Treasurer.

Mr D.A. Rutherford, 23 Cowley Way, Sutton Benger,  
Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 4SD.

The Charity Trustees during the year to 31st December 2021 were as follows:

Mr D. Hide	Chairman	Re-elected 11th May 2021
Mrs A. Lewis	Vice-Chairman	Re-elected 11th May 2021
Mrs L. Hay	Hon. Secretary	Re-elected 11th May 2021
Mr D.A. Rutherford	Treasurer	Re-elected 11th May 2021
Mrs S. La Fontaine	Minutes Secretary	Re-elected 11th May 2021
Mr K. Maslin	Applications Co-ordinator	Re-elected 11th May 2021
Mr H. Walmsley		Re-elected 9th May 2019
Mr P. Hewson		Re-elected 11th May 2021
Ms. H. Webb		Re-elected 11th May 2021
Mrs D. Halsey		Elected 9th January 2019
Mrs J. Jones		Resigned
Mr P. Rice		Elected 11th May 2021

The object of the Charity is to relieve patients and former patients of local Hospitals, Care Homes, Care Centres, other Welfare Agencies, Societies and other invalids in the community who are sick, convalescent, disabled, handicapped, infirm or in need of financial assistance. New Trustees are appointed on a renewable term of three years.

The Trustees policy is generally to make grants to the NHS Trusts for the provision of extra comforts, initiatives and extra facilities for use in the local area by patients served by the above agencies. The Charity's income is made up of member's subscriptions, donations, legacies and interest from investments. Major fundraising has only ever been undertaken, in the past, for large building projects.

### Finances

Accounts for this year have been prepared in the usual format. Income, in the main, has been from investments and totalled £106,360.71. We cashed in our investment of £50,000 in the M & G Charifund which gave as a return of £61,044.51. The remainder of our income, £32,632.78 came from our investment in the COIF Investment Fund and £12,683.42 from our other investments and donations. Our donations for the year totalled £96,078.42, two major donations of £25,000 each were made to Wiltshire Air Ambulance and Brighter Futures, the Great Western Hospital charity. A further donation of £10,000.00 was made to Julia's House.

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## **CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT. JANUARY – DECEMBER 2021**

This has been another busy year for Malmesbury League of Friends (MLOF), with the continuing impact of coronavirus. Nevertheless, we were able to hold six meetings, four by ZOOM.

We made donations totalling over £98,000 during the year, a full list of which is in the Treasurer's report.

### **Trustees**

During the year, Jane Jones stood down as a trustee, due to work commitments which made attendance at meetings difficult. In her place, Phil Rice, who had been secretary of the Malmesbury Area Community Trust (MACT) joined as a trustee. But, in February 2022, he sadly passed away very suddenly. He will be much missed. Three MLOF trustees attended his funeral.

### **MPCC/Athelstan House**

We continue to enjoy excellent relations with both the Malmesbury Primary Care Centre (MPCC) and Athelstan House (AH), both of which we have supported during the year. Donations for items of medical equipment to the MPCC totalled over £15,000 and £6,300 to AH.

Our new AH contact, Fiona Hocken, has worked well with our MLOF liaison Paul Hewson, who replaced Jane Jones. Charlotte Gorman succeeded Dave Grogan as MPCC's Practice Manager, and we have developed an excellent working relationship with her.

### **Defibrillators**

We provided funds to purchase a further three four defibrillators, in Garsdon, Estcourt, Braydon, and at the Malmesbury Youth Football Club, bringing the total to 18 now installed in local villages within a ten-mile radius of Malmesbury, which have been widely welcomed by their residents.

### **Dorothy House**

We continue to enjoy close relations with Dorothy House Hospice Care in Winsley, near Bradford-on-Avon and attended their Late Summer Party, when we met their CEO, Wayne de Lieuw, who told us of his plans to open Neighbourhood Teams in a number of locations, including Malmesbury. We expressed an interest in supporting this and have already established a liaison in this connection between DH and MPCC.

### **Wiltshire Air Ambulance (WAA)**

We continue to enjoy a very friendly relationship with WAA, to whom we donated £25,000 in 2020. We still hope to formally present this to them if they are able to attend, with their helicopter, the planned Family Fun Day at the Worthys in August this summer.

### **Brighter Futures – GWH, Swindon**

We continue to maintain close contact with Brighter Futures, the fund-raising arm of Great Western Hospital (GWH) in Swindon. The new radiotherapy unit, for which we have donated £75,000, is now nearing completion with a planned opening in June 2022. Two trustees visited the site in July and were able to inspect the work in progress.



We donated in 2021 £25,000 towards a CT scanner, to be installed within the unit, but not included in the original specification. This will mean that patients will be able to have all their treatments at GWH.

### **Julia's House**

We donated £10,000 to Julia's House, as part of its latest £3 million fund raising campaign. In December, the chairman attended their Carol Service in Devizes, when he was able to meet their CEO, who expressed his gratitude for our continuing support.

### **Local Malmesbury organisations**

Local organisations have not been forgotten as, during the year, we have helped the following:

- Seagry Primary School – Playground equipment - £5,000
- A counsellor for Malmesbury School, due to be paid in September 2022 for one year - £5,500
- HEALS

During the year, we were approached by the Community Well Being Café/ Pathways Project by a MPCC staff member, with a view to supporting the development of a plot of land adjacent to the MPCC, on which a garden and shed could be placed. This has now been put on hold, as the individual concerned has left the MPCC. But we remain supportive, particularly if the Men's Shed, another project in which MLOF has expressed an interest in supporting, can be placed there.

### **Needy Individuals**

We remain committed to helping needy individuals and, during the year we helped:

- A Crudwell teenager travel to the USA for a life changing operation
- A Great Somerford resident with central heating oil
- A Glovers Court resident with essential furniture

Following a strategic review in early 2022, we decided to expand our help for needy individuals, following the upcoming huge increase in energy costs, which are likely to have a major impact on family budgets later in the year.

### **Malmesbury Area Community Trust (MACT)**

MACT is another, well endowed, local charity with whom we work closely. During 2021, we shared the request for a Malmesbury School counsellor. MACT will pay for this specialist for one year from 2021 whilst MLOF will pay a similar sum for the following year 2022-23.

### **Publicity/Communications**

I continue to believe that we should maintain a strong local profile. We always publicise our donations, subject to individual circumstances, on social media, local press and radio. Through the excellent work by Keith Maslin, we have ensured that the local community are aware of the important work we undertake.

### **Conclusion**

Despite the ongoing limitations from COVID, we have been able to continue with our important role, making donations to those organisations and needy individuals who need our support and this will of course continue.

The availability of the conference room in the MPCC, for which we are extremely grateful, makes a huge difference to the effectiveness of our meetings and we very much hope that these can continue.

Finally, I would like to thank all our trustees, and especially the officers, for their support and hard work over the last twelve months.

David Hide

Chairman

May 2022

## **MALMESBURY LEAGUE OF FRIENDS**

### **Statement of Account for the Year Ending 31st December 2021**

<b><u>Receipts.</u></b>	<b><u>£.</u></b>	<b><u>£.</u></b>	<b><u>Payments.</u></b>	<b><u>£.</u></b>	<b><u>£.</u></b>
Subscriptions	220.00		ATTEND Subscription	614.00	
Donations	255.00		Website Maintenance	52.77	
Refund	96.00		Travel Mileage	222.58	
Interest.	44,745.20		Examiner	116.96	
Sale of M & G. <u>61,044.51.</u>		106,360.71	Retirement Gift	40.00	
			Zoom Fees	<u>129.51</u>	1,175.82
			<b><u>Donations</u></b>		
			See Attached List		96,078.42
Add Lloyds Bank as at 31 December 2020		<u>52,766.21.</u>	<b><u>Add</u></b> Lloyds Bank 31 Dec 2021.		<u>61,872.68</u>
		<b><u>159,126.92.</u></b>			<b><u>159,126.92</u></b>

<b><u>Asset Valuation as at 31 December 2021.</u></b>	<b><u>Total Assets as at 31 December 2021.</u></b>
COIF Investment Fund. 1,269,173.73	Lloyds Bank 61,872.68
M & G Optimal Income Fund. 126,927.70	Investments. <u>1,652,209.49</u>
Schroeder's Multi-Asset Fund. <u>256,108.06</u>	
<b><u>Total.</u></b>	<b><u>Total.</u></b>
	<u>1,714,082.17</u>

Examined and found correct with books and vouchers produced.



T. Brown.

Independent Examiner.

Date...05/04/2022...



D. Rutherford

Hon. Treasurer

Date...14 Apr 22...

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### **Purchases & Donations 2021**

#### **Athelstan House**

Garden Furniture	2,719.90
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#### **Malmesbury Primary Care Centre**

Computer Equipment	1,055.92	
J & M Flooring Ltd	3,412.12	
Mangar Health	2,230.87	
Healthcare Monitors Ltd	8,148.00	
Computer Equipment	749.00	
Shawn Carr Ltd	<u>3,858.00</u>	19,453.91

#### **Donations**

Fiona Danford	255.00	
Malmesbury Boxing Club	3,000.00	
Tolsey Surgery	2,272.86	
Wiltshire Air Ambulance	25,000.00	
Brighter Futures G.W.H.	25,000.00	
Crudwell Parish	1,184.00	
Avie' Appeal	5,000.00	
Mr S. Skelhorn	692.75	
Malmesbury Youth Football	1,500.00	
Julia's House	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>73,904.61</u>

<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>96,078.42</u></b>
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## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MALMESBURY LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

I report on the Accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2021, which are set out on pages 6 and 7

### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts: You consider that the Audit requirement of Section 43 (2) of the Charity Act 1993 (The Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General directions by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43 (7) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### BASIS OF REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissions. Examination includes a review of 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 such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the Accounts.

### STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act, have not been met.
2. Which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn, in order to enable a proper understanding of the Accounts to be reached.



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