

**THE DARTINGTON INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL
FOUNDATION**

COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020**

Charity Number: 272163

Company Number: 1265884

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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT

The Members of the Council of Management, who are the trustees of the charity and also directors for the purposes of company law, present their Annual Report and Financial Statements of the charity for the year ended 31st October 2020.

Legal Status

Dartington International Summer School Foundation is a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales and governed under its memorandum and articles of association. The charity was incorporated on 28th June 1976 as The Music Summer School (Private) Limited. Certificates of Incorporation on Change of Name were issued on 18th August 1987 to Summer Music in Dartington Limited and on 19th July 1990 to Dartington Summer Arts Foundation Limited. A further Certificate of Incorporation on Change of Name to the present title was issued on 16th March 2005.

Objectives

The objects of the charity are to promote and organise schemes to provide education for the benefit of the public in all aspects of music and related arts, including opera, music theatre, electronic media, music and dance and, in particular, to support and encourage the Dartington International Summer School, currently presented under the name of the Dartington Music Summer School & Festival, which is an activity of The Dartington Hall Trust, a registered charity.

Activities

In supporting and encouraging the Dartington Music Summer School & Festival, the charity acts as an advocate in areas of artistic influence, patronage and sponsorship and provides advice on matters of policy and development, but primarily manages and develops an endowment fund from which to provide specific bursaries for participants and annual grants for the Music Summer School & Festival generally.

In 2020, the Music Summer School & Festival was cancelled on account of the Covid-19 virus pandemic. However, the Foundation resolved to make a grant to The Dartington Hall Trust in the amount originally planned, in order to help offset the losses incurred as a result of the cancellation. The grant amounted to £11,000 (2019: £4,000, plus bursaries of £3,279).

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Fundraising

Fundraising activities on behalf of the Foundation have been delegated to the professional staff of The Dartington Hall Trust with the purpose of securing donations and legacy pledges in favour of the endowment fund for the Dartington Music Summer School & Festival managed by the Foundation.

Financial Position

The results of the charity are set out in detail in the Financial Statements. During the year, the charity achieved a surplus of £12,377 (2019: surplus £10,459).

Reserves

The charity's free reserves are represented by the unrestricted funds, which at 31st October 2020 were £270,133 (2019: £255,465), of which £30,442 (2019: £34,260) were designated for specific purposes by the Council of Management. At the year-end, the restricted funds, derived from legacies and donations to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donors, amounted to £23,025 (2019: £25,315).

The reserves policy of the charity is to seek to build and maintain a long-term endowment fund for the benefit of the Dartington Music Summer School & Festival. The restricted funds are applied to the provision of specific bursaries, while the Foundation's annual grant is derived from income and growth on the unrestricted funds.

However, free reserves well in excess of the charity's modest annual administrative costs are always to be maintained.

Investments

The memorandum of association permits the charity to invest in any investments, securities or property for the benefit of its purposes, restricted only by law. The investments selection policy of the charity is the responsibility of the Council of Management.

The charity maintains an investment portfolio managed on behalf of the Council by Rathbone Investment Management Limited, with a view to achieving a measure of capital growth as well as income. The value of the portfolio excluding cash at the end of the year was £221,894 (2019: £274,058).

The charity's portfolio investments are held by the custodian trustee, Rathbone Nominees Limited.

Members, Council Members and Officers

The charity's articles of association provide that its membership shall include The Dartington Hall Trust (or its nominee) and at least two persons nominated by the Council of

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Management. All currently serving members of the Council of Management are members of the charity. The Dartington Hall Trust is a member in its own right.

The members of the Council of Management who served during the year, all of whom remain in office, are listed on page 3. The number of members of the Council is currently set at a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 20. Council Members are appointed by the Council of Management and hold office in the first instance until the next Annual General Meeting, when they are eligible for re-election. With the exception of such cases, one third of the Council Members is subject to retirement at the AGM by rotation, but those involved are eligible for re-election.

At the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, Gareth Keene, Susan Sturrock and Andrew Ward will retire by rotation, but offer themselves for re-election.

Gareth Keene acts as Company Secretary and Sarah Reid as Honorary Treasurer.

Responsibilities of the Council of Management

Company law requires the Council to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the incoming and outgoing resources for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the Council is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Council is responsible for keeping proper records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Council is 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.

Risk Management

The Council of Management has reviewed the major risks of the charity and concluded that the primary risk stems from its significant reliance upon a sustained flow of gifts and donations. This risk is managed by regular monitoring of income against grant commitments and is reviewed at each meeting of the Council. Other risks are mitigated as appropriate.

Small Company Provisions

This Report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

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Moreover, in pursuit of the Council of Management's policy to minimize the operating costs of the charity, a Special Resolution was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 20th March 2014 to change the charity's articles of association with respect to accounts, in order to take advantage of the exemption under the Act of a company of its size from any requirement for an audit (as explained in the details accompanying the Balance Sheet).

On behalf of the Council of Management

Sarah Reid
Council Member and Honorary Treasurer

27 July 2021

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report to the Members of Dartington International Summer School Foundation on the Accounts for the year ended 31 October 2020 set out on pages 9 to 15.

The charity's Council of Management is responsible for the preparation of the Accounts. The Council considers that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act), but that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

- to examine the Accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

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 the Council of Management 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 this report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

27 July 2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
		2020	2020	2020	2019
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	50,835	-	50,835	805
Investments	3	5,939	604	6,543	7,832
Total		<u>56,774</u>	<u>604</u>	<u>57,378</u>	<u>8,637</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	11,000	-	11,000	7,279
Other	4	2,638	-	2,638	2,958
Total		<u>13,638</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,638</u>	<u>10,237</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	(28,468)	(2,895)	(31,363)	12,059
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>14,668</u>	<u>(2,291)</u>	<u>12,377</u>	<u>10,459</u>
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>14,668</u>	<u>(2,291)</u>	<u>12,377</u>	<u>10,459</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		<u>255,465</u>	<u>25,315</u>	<u>280,780</u>	<u>270,321</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>270,133</u>	<u>23,025</u>	<u>293,158</u>	<u>280,780</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared. All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Current assets:			
Debtors	7	500	750
Investments	6	221,894	274,058
Cash at bank and in hand		81,904	13,381
<i>Total current assets</i>		<u>304,298</u>	<u>288,189</u>
Liabilities:			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(11,140)	(7,409)
<i>Net current assets</i>		<u>293,158</u>	<u>280,780</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>293,158</u></u>	<u><u>280,780</u></u>
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted funds	9	23,025	25,315
Unrestricted funds	10	270,133	255,465
Total charity funds		<u><u>293,158</u></u>	<u><u>280,780</u></u>

For the financial year in question, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

These financial statements were approved by the Council of Management on the 27 July 2021 and are signed on their behalf by:



Richard Heason
Council Member and Chair
Company Registration Number: 1265884

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) — (Charities SORP (FRS102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and on the historical cost basis, except for the measurement of investments at fair value with movements in value reported within the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA). Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Coronavirus pandemic will not materially affect future funding.

Cash flow statement

The Council of Management has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (revised) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charity is small.

Income recognition

All income is recognised once the Foundation has entitlement to the income, the economic benefit is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Grants payable are recognised as expenditure when the commitment is entered into.

Investments

Prices for quoted securities are mid-market closing prices provided by the London Stock exchange (or any other equivalent investment exchanges where relevant). Unit Trusts and Collective Investments show mid-market prices at the last valuation point prior to the period end. Prices for unquoted and illiquid securities have been obtained from sources our investment managers believe to be independent. Where The Council of Management has been unable to obtain a fair market price or there is no market, fair or otherwise, a nominal price as £0.0001 has been used.

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Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash at bank and in hand.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted general funds are available for use at the discretion of the Council of Management in the furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Unrestricted designated funds are funds ring-fenced for a particular purpose by the Council of Management.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the donor.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	2020	2020	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies				
Donations	50,835	-	50,835	805
	<u>50,835</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,835</u>	<u>805</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	2020	2020	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Bank interest & dividends receivable	5,939	604	6,543	7,832
	<u>5,939</u>	<u>604</u>	<u>6,543</u>	<u>7,832</u>

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4. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	2020	2020	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Charitable expenditure:				
Grant for bursaries	-	-	-	3,279
Summer School general support	11,000	-	11,000	4,000
Other expenditure:				
Administration costs	314	-	314	201
Independent Examination fee	140	-	140	130
Trustee expenses	23	-	23	282
Investment management fees	2,161	-	2,161	2,345
	<u>13,638</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,638</u>	<u>10,237</u>

5. STAFF COSTS AND EMOLUMENTS

No salaries or wages have been paid to employees, including the Council of Management during the year (2019: £nil).

One member of the Council of Management received reimbursement of expenses during the year totalling £23 (2019: £282).

6. INVESTMENTS

	2020 £	2019 £
At beginning of year	274,058	275,131
Additions	628	10,136
Disposals	(21,430)	(23,268)
Increase/(decrease) in value	<u>(31,363)</u>	<u>12,059</u>
	<u>221,894</u>	<u>274,058</u>

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7. DEBTORS: Amounts due within one year

	2020	2019
	£	£
Gift aid receivable	500	750
	<u>500</u>	<u>750</u>

8. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020	2019
	£	£
Grant payable to Dartington Hall Trust	11,000	7,279
Independent examination fee	140	130
	<u>11,140</u>	<u>7,409</u>

9. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Nov 19	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers (to)/from general funds	Gains/ (losses)	Balance at 31 Oct 20
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Denis de Rougemont prize	5,809	139	-	-	(664)	5,283
Helpers for the disabled	2,858	68	-	-	(327)	2,599
Esther Salaman Bursary	12,245	292	-	-	(1,400)	11,137
Dorothy Elmhirst Trust	2,019	48	-	-	(231)	1,836
Richard Gardner	2,385	57	-	-	(273)	2,169
	<u>25,315</u>	<u>604</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,895)</u>	<u>23,025</u>

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the donor, as follows:

Denis de Rougemont prize – To fund the writing of a history of the Summer School.

Helpers for the disabled – To enable disabled participants to attend the Summer School.

Esther Salaman – To fund provision of the Esther Salaman Bursary.

Dorothy Elmhirst Trust – To fund the writing of a history of the Summer School.

Richard Gardner – To fund a bursary for a piano technician.

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10. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Nov 19	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers (to)/from general funds	Gains/ (losses)	Balance at 31 Oct 20
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Joanna McGregor fund	15,000	-	-	-	(1,672)	13,328
Gavin Henderson scholarship fund	19,260	-	-	-	(2,146)	17,114
General funds	221,205	56,774	13,638	-	(24,651)	239,691
	255,465	56,774	13,638	-	(28,468)	270,133

11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Foundation received donations totalling £50,050 from two Trustees in 2019/20.

The 2018/19 grant payable to Dartington Hall Trust for £7,279 was paid out during 2019/20. In creditors is £11,000 relating to the 2019/20 grant payable to Dartington Hall Trust.

12. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee. No part of this guarantee, which totals £50 (2019: £50) has been called up.

13. CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

At the time of signing these accounts it is clear that the pandemic has continued to have a major impact on both the Foundation and The Dartington Hall Trust, and that, although there has been some easing of restrictions, it will have an ongoing impact for the foreseeable future. Against this backcloth the Members of the Council of Management will continue to review the Foundation's operations and activities to ensure that it fulfils its charitable objects.

As an endowed grant making charity, the Foundation suffered both a fall in its investment income, as companies cut their distributions to shareholders and a reduction in the capital value of the endowment fund, as share prices fell. Professional advice is that the falls in both income and capital values will be reversed as the pandemic eases and therefore the Members of the Council of Management are confident that the Foundation will be able to continue its activities.

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MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

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MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

**SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31
OCTOBER 2020**

	2020 £	2019 £
Income		
Donations and legacies	50,835	805
Interest and investment income	6,543	7,878
Gains on investments	-	12,059
Gross income in the reporting period	57,378	20,696
Expenditure		
Bursaries & grants	11,000	7,279
Office costs	2,615	2,676
Trustee expenses	23	282
Losses on investments	31,363	-
Total expenditure in the reporting period	45,001	10,237
Net income (expenditure) before tax for the reporting year	12,377	10,459
Tax payable	-	-
Net income (expenditure) for the financial year	12,377	10,459