

THE AIR CHARITIES TRUST
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

THE AIR CHARITIES TRUST
Trustees and Officials
for the year ended 30 September 2023

Registered Charity Number 286915

Trustees Captain Robert Charles Owens
Squadron Leader (ret) Christopher John Ford
Captain Peter Bugge
The Master of the Honourable Company of Air Pilots (ex-Officio)

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THE AIR CHARITIES TRUST
Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 30 September 2023

CONSTITUTION

The Air Charities Trust was established by a Trust Deed dated 28 March 1983 with the aim of assisting such charitable foundations or for such charitable purposes as are within the objects for which the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators is established.

The trust is entitled to receive all the income arising on a fund known as the Assigned Fund held within the Gladys Cobham Trust, which is an independent (non-charitable) trust.

ORGANISATION

The Trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page one. The Statutory Power of Appointment of new Trustees shall apply with the exception of the Ex-Officio appointment of the Master for the time being of The Honourable Company of Air Pilots.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

During the year the Charity has been able to fund appropriate projects in conjunction with the Trustees of the Air Pilots Trust and the Air Safety Trust.
The Air Charities Trust has received quarterly payments totalling £35,145 (2022 - £35,323) during the year which will be passed over to the Air Safety Trust and the Air Pilots Trust.
The Charity distributed in total £36,000 (2022 - £33,000) in furtherance of its charitable aims.

RESERVES POLICY

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the Charity, to enable the management and administration costs to be covered and to make donations.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have examined major strategic, business and operational risks which the Charity may face and confirm that systems have been established to lessen these risks where possible.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Charity will continue to distribute funds in accordance with its aims.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on

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Captain Robert Charles Owens

THE AIR CHARITIES TRUST
Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees
for the year ended 30 September 2023

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30 September 2023.

Responsibilities ad 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 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; or
- 3** the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out on 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 confirm that there are no matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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THE AIR CHARITIES TRUST
Unaudited Balance Sheet
As at the 30 September 2023

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	3	---	---	---	---
Cash at Bank & In Hand		8,661		9,667	
		<u> </u>	8,661	<u> </u>	9,667
Current Liabilities					
Accruals	4		(150)		(150)
			<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Net Assets			<u>8,511</u>		<u>9,517</u>
Represented by					
Fund Balances brought forward			9,517		7,394
Net Income for the year			(1,006)		2,123
			<u> </u>		<u> </u>
			<u>8,511</u>		<u>9,517</u>

Approved by the Trustees on

In approving the financial statements the Trustees confirm that they comply with the current statutory requirements and the requirements of the Charity's governing document.

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Captain R C Owens

on behalf of the Trustees

THE AIR CHARITIES TRUST
Income and Expenditure Account
For the year ended 30 September 2023

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Income					
Bank Interest received		---		---	
Donations received		60		---	
Gladys Cobham Trust	2	35,145		35,323	
Income Tax refund		<u>---</u>		<u>---</u>	
			35,205		35,323
Expenditure					
Donations	5	36,000		33,000	
Bank Charges		61		50	
Independent Examiners Fees		<u>150</u>		<u>150</u>	
			(36,211)		(33,200)
Net Income/(Outgoings) for the year			<u><u>(1,006)</u></u>		<u><u>2,123</u></u>

THE AIR CHARITIES TRUST
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 30 September 2023

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

Income is accounted for in the period in which the Charity is entitled to receipt.

Resources Expended

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Cashflow Statement

No such statement has been included in these Financial Statements, since the charity qualifies for exemption under Financial Reporting Standard 1, in that it meets the criteria for a small company under the Companies Act 1985.

2 INCOME FROM THE GLADYS COBHAM TRUST

Under the Deed dated 28 March 1983 the Air Charities Trust is entitled to all the income from the defined "Assigned Fund" of the Gladys Cobham Trust. Since the death of Sir Michael Cobham the Trusts no longer share a minority of their trustees .

The Trustees of the Gladys Cobham trust hold funds on behalf of the Air Charities Trust which in the past has been shown as income in the Financial Statements. However as the Trusts no longer share any Trustees it has been deemed prudent not to report the monies held as income of the Air Charities Trust until actually received.

	2023 £	2022 £
Monies held by the Gladys Cobham Trust are: -	---	---

3 DEBTORS

	2023 £	2022 £
Income tax recoverable	---	---
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4 ACCRUALS

	2023 £	2022 £
Independent Examiners Fees	150	150
	<u>150</u>	<u>150</u>

5 DONATIONS

	2023 £	2022 £
Air Safety Trust	18,000	16,500
Air Pilots Trust	18,000	16,500
	<u>36,000</u>	<u>33,000</u>

6 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION

No trustee received any remuneration during the year.

7 TAXATION

No liability for taxation arises as the Charity is exempt from taxation under the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 on the grounds that it is a registered charity.