

## **80<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Spirewatch 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Held in the Church Room of St Mary's**

- **Agenda**
- **Chairman's welcome**
- **Apologies for absence**
- **Minutes of the previous AGM**
- **Chairmans report**
- **Treasurer's report**
- **Upcoming events**
- **Election of officers**

### **Minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> AGM on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**It was noted that following a recent inspection of the spire, repairs are now urgent, so fund raising is key.**

**At the beginning of 2022, we understood that the likely cost of re-leading the spire was circa £485,000. As at January 2022, our funds amounted to £108,000.**

In 2022 there was a concerted effort to encourage people to sponsor a tile and this enterprise together with income from the quiz night, the Spire café and other events , produced an income of circa £20,000, making our total funds of £130,000, leaving £355,000 yet to raise.

St Mary's church also had set aside a fund of £155,000, towards the spire fund so with a combined fund, less recoverable VAT we now had circa £100,000 yet to find.

Spirewatch will now turn it's efforts to grant giving organisations to help boost the funds as well as continuing to promote sponsoring a tile and continuing to promote individual fund raising events.

#### **Election of Officers in 2023**

**Chairman: John Campbell**

**Deputy Chairman: Nick Jones Ford**

**Treasurer: Phinehas David , replacing Roger Newton, who had stood down.**

**Website Manager; Sarah Foster**

**Membership : Jenny Ransom**

**Secretary: Vanessa Denison**

### **Activities during 2023;**

**Effort on contacting charitable trusts was a major factor resulting in grants totalling £30,500**

**Our Just Giving site produced income of £ 12,500 and the Gin Chronicles event raised around £1,000.**

**Total Income in the year was £56,647 which is a record..**

**Spirewatch donated £40,000 to St Marys' during the year, leaving £137,000 in the Spirewatch funds, of which £100,000 will be donated to ST Mary's at the rate of £15,000 per month.**

### **Looking back**

Looking back on the history of The Friends' of St Mary's / Spirewatch- I picked out 2006 as worthy of what was going on at that time.

The income raised in 2006 was £9,341. (This was a reasonably amount when considering the date concerned.

The reason for the relatively large income in that year was due to the art exhibition, which did very well – coinciding with the Harrow School break – meaning many parents purchased works of art.

Other events included a recital by David Woodcock and an arm chair walk by Don Walter both the art exhibition and Don Walter's talk did very well financially.

Investment income in the year was £811, which was higher than previously.

Donations by The Friend's

£5,320 was donated toward the cleaning of the East window stonework and glazing.

Administration costs and the cost of the Tony Beresford memorial amounted to £3,851.

A thank you to David Griffiths for auditing the accounts again this year

It was noted that Spirewatch was expecting to provide a further £1,180 in early 2007.

John Campbell Treasurers report.



**SPIREWATCH STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**

Income	Unrestricted Funds 2023	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Incoming resources	56,647	56,647	27,744
Expenditure			
Charitable donations	- 40,000	- 40,000	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	- 8,984	- 8,984	4,509
Total Resources Expended	- 48,984	- 48,984	4,509
Net income before other recognised gains and losses	7,664	7,664	23,236
gains/ losses on investments	-	-	1,306
Net movement in funds	7,664	7,664	21,930
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought fwd	129,787		107,857
Total funds carried forward	137,451		129,787
Analysis of Income			
Legacies & Donations	38,991		20,218
subscriptions	558		786
just giving	11,572		-
other events	4,161		5,848
Total Voluntary Income	55,282		26,852
income from deposits	214		100
income from other investments	1,151		765
Total investment income	1,365		865
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	2023	2023	2022
Investments & Banks			26,060
Fixed asset investments			65,531
Current accounts	99,043	99,043	38,195
Virgin Money	38,410	38,410	129,786
Net Assets	137,453		
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Fixed Asset Investments  
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