



**SUFFOLK PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER CHARITY**

*Registered Charity No. 296688*

## **Trustees' Annual Report**

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**for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

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# Suffolk Provincial Grand Chapter Charity

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023

### **Constitution**

The charity is an unincorporated association based in Suffolk. It is administered by a Management Committee who are the Charity Trustees and is governed by a constitution adopted on and updated on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023

### **Trustees**

The trustees during the year were as follows:

Ian John Yeldham - President

Raymond Keith Pascoe - Chair

John Leslie Pitcher

Keith George Cook

Kelvin John Larcombe

John Scott Laverock - Treasurer

David John Wilson - Charity Steward

Ralph John Robertson

John Kirk

David John Boswell

Robert Heavisides - Secretary

Peter Whiley

The President, Vice-President, Charity Steward, and Secretary are ex-officio members, the remaining members are subject to annual election.

### **Objects and public benefit**

The charity's objects are to raise funds and to make donations and grants to other registered charities or to organisations with charitable purposes, or otherwise to apply funds for the benefit and relief of individuals.

In 2023 the charity's gross annual income of "unrestricted funds" was £4996 and expenditure amounted to £3050 which was distributed to five non masonic charities. The restricted funds received £24006 and distributed a further £8442 to a number of charities, the majority non masonic.

The Management Committee meets formally once a year to review progress, assess risk, review investment policy, and to decide strategic objectives for the forthcoming year. Day to day management devolves on the Treasurer and Charity Steward who liaise with the Chair. Special meetings of the whole Management Committee are called as necessary.

## Funds

In addition to the General Operating Fund, which is unrestricted. The trust also receives donations from the charity collections and benevolent funds of individual Private Chapters and other masonic bodies in Suffolk. These are available to the originator on demand, subject only to satisfying the requirement that any withdrawal is for a purpose consistent with the objects of the Charity. In the accounts these are described as "Restricted Funds". In addition, the trust may hold Designated Funds, where the Management Committee earmarks unrestricted funds for a specific purpose. At 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 there were no operational Designated Funds.

## Reserves

The Charity has no ongoing costs, as all work and facilities are provided voluntarily by the Management Committee and supporters. The Management Committee undertakes to ensure that sufficient monetary funds are available to satisfy withdrawal requirements of the Restricted and any Designated Funds and aims to maintain a sufficient sum available on demand to meet any reasonably foreseeable liability which might arise in future.

## Acknowledgments

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for the production of accounts, but in doing so also formally record their thanks to the Treasurer and independent Accounts Examiners for their hard work and care in discharging their duties to the Charity.

Signed on behalf of all the trustees by:



J.S.Laverock



D.J.Wilson

05/03/24

Date:

6/3/2024

Date:



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**Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended  
31st. December 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Previous Year
	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>				
Alms Provincial Grand Chapter	1,234	0	1234	1104
Officers' Donations on Appointment	2,025	0	2025	2170
Other Donations	233	17062	17295	16583
Bank (Coif) Interest	699	3438	4137	1028
Gift Aid	805	3506	4311	2387
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>4996</b>	<b>24006</b>	<b>29002</b>	<b>23272</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Charitable Giving	3050	8942	11992	18132
Administration and Governance	0	0	0	0
Unused cheques from previous years		-500	-500	-500
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>3050</b>	<b>8442</b>	<b>11492</b>	<b>17632</b>
<b>Net Receipts Payments</b>	<b>1946</b>	<b>15564</b>	<b>17510</b>	<b>5640</b>
transfer Between funds	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	1946	15564	17510	5640
<b>Cash Funds 1st. January</b>	<b>19211</b>	<b>71241</b>	<b>90452</b>	<b>84812</b>
<b>Cash Funds 31st December</b>	<b>21157</b>	<b>86805</b>	<b>107962</b>	<b>90452</b>

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st of December 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Bank Deposits	6222	0	6222
COIF Charities Investment Trust	14935	86805	101740
<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b>21157</b>	<b>86805</b>	<b>107962</b>

The Charity has no other assets and no liabilities at the year end.

Signed

*J.S. Laverock*

Name  
J.S.Laverock

Date

05/03/24

Signed

Name  
K.J.Larcombe

Date

6.3.24

Trustees on behalf of all the Trustees

Suffolk Provincial Grand Chapter Charity  
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Independent examiners' report to the trustees of Suffolk Provincial Grand Chapter Charity

We report to the trustees on our examination of the accounts of the Suffolk Provincial Grand Chapter Charity (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2023, to which this report is appended.

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').


We report in respect of our examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out our examination we have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiners' statement

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us 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.

We have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with our examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Date: 5-3-24

Name: David J Lillis

Signed:   
Date: 5.3.24

Name: Ian S. Gray