

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 265126

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019
FOR**

**TRUST PROPERTY HELD IN CONNECTION WITH
THE ORDER OF ST BENEDICT
(OLIVETAN CONGREGATION)
MONASTERY AND PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING**

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

TRUSTEES

Reverend Mark-Ephrem Nolan OSB
Reverend Diego Rosa OSB
Reverend Bernard Akoeso OSB (resigned 30.10.19)
Father Thierry Marteaux (appointed 1.11.19)

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the Year Ended 31 December 2019**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2019. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and activities

The trust's objects are for such charitable purposes which advance the religious and other charitable work carried on under the direction of the Society (the Order of St Benedict (Olivetan Congregation)) as the trustees think fit. There has been no change in these objects in the year.

Public benefit

We have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The Order of St Benedict Olivetan Congregation no longer has a monastery on the site and there are no monks in residence. The church, church buildings and car park have been handed over to the Diocese of Westminster. The charity simply holds the land and property for the public benefit and the advancement of the Catholic Religion.

During the relevant year, the charity also provides pastoral, spiritual and financial support to a former monk of the monastery who is now in a care home. This monk has since died on 31 May 2010 and therefore this aspect of public benefit will now cease.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

During the year the charity has net outgoing resources of £41,790 (2018: £140,406), as shown on the statement of financial activities on page 5 of the accounts. All of the charity's assets are held for the furtherance of the charity's objectives.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

At 31 December 2019 the unrestricted fund balance is £11,263 (2018: £15,230). This is shown in note 13.

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FUTURE PLANS

The Trustees have decided to convert the charity to an incorporated structure in order to properly manage the risks going forward of being a property holding trust. This step will also future modernize and future proof the charity which the Trustees feel is essential from a governance point of view as the monastery is no longer active and the Trustees are based elsewhere. Following specialist legal advice, the Trustees commenced this process by passing a resolution dated 1 November 2019. The application to register a CIO was submitted on 30 November 2019 and the application was granted on 19 August 2020. The charity is currently in the process of transforming the assets and liabilities to CIO named "Property held in Connection with the Congregation of St Mary of Oliveto CIO, registered charity 1190954 with the objects to advance the Roman Catholic religion through the religious and other charitable work of the congregation as the trustees with the approval of the Abbot General from time to time think fit. It is hoped, subject to any delays caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, that legal effect will be given to the transfer at the end of the financial year to 31 December 2020.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The trust was registered with the Charity Commissioners as the "Trust Property held in connection with the Order of St Benedict (Olivetian Congregation)" on 1 January 1973 and given the number 265126. The registration relates to the trust property contained in the trust deed and not the Order itself. The charity intends to apply for conversion to a CIO in order to reflect the changes to its structure and purpose following the demise of the monastery.

The authority to appoint new trustees and remove existing trustees rests with the Superior (Prior).

Organisational structure

Trustees who served during the year were:

Reverend Mark-Ephrem Nolan OSB
Reverend Diego Rosa OSB
Reverend Bernard Akoeso OSB (resigned 30.10.19)
Father Thierry Marteaux (appointed 1.11.19)

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Trustees have given consideration to the Charities SORP ('Statement of Recommended Practice') Committee's advice in its publication 'Implications of COVID-19 Control Measures and Charity Financial Reporting' and to the risks arising as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. The Charity is actively monitoring and managing the situation as it develops

EVENTS SINCE THE END OF THE YEAR

Information relating to events since the end of the year is given in the notes to the financial statements.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 12 January 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

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Reverend Mark-Ephrem Nolan OSB - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
TRUST PROPERTY HELD IN CONNECTION WITH
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trust Property Held in Connection with the Order of St Benedict (Olivetian Congregation)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trust Property Held in Connection with the Order of St Benedict (Olivetian Congregation) (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2019.

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').

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

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Date: 12 January 2021

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 December 2019**

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	31.12.19 Total funds £	31.12.18 Total funds £
INCOME FROM	Notes				
Donations and legacies	2	53,579	-	53,579	-
Charitable activities	4				
Monastery and provision of religious services		-	-	-	3,616
Investment income	3	<u>53</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>159</u>
Total		53,632	-	53,632	3,775
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
Monastery and provision of religious services		95,422	-	95,422	144,181
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(41,790)	-	(41,790)	(140,406)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,187,645	-	1,187,645	1,328,051
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>1,145,855</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,145,855</u>	<u>1,187,645</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**BALANCE SHEET
31 December 2019**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	31.12.19 Total funds £	31.12.18 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	1,134,592	-	1,134,592	1,172,415
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	10	1,290	-	1,290	1,290
Debtors	11	11,866	-	11,866	6,339
Cash at bank		<u>4,017</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,017</u>	<u>16,776</u>
		17,173	-	17,173	24,405
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(5,910)	-	(5,910)	(9,175)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>11,263</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,263</u>	<u>15,230</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,145,855</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,145,855</u>	<u>1,187,645</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>1,145,855</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,145,855</u>	<u>1,187,645</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				<u>1,145,855</u>	<u>1,187,645</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>1,145,855</u>	<u>1,187,645</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 12 January 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

Reverend Mark-Ephrem Nolan OSB - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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I. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Income

Donations, legacies and similar incoming resources are included in the year in which, they are receivable, which is when the charity becomes entitled to the resource.

Income from investments and from rental income is included in the statement of financial activities in the year in which it is receivable.

Incoming resources from charitable activities includes income from pensions and sales of stock and is included when the charity has earned the rights to recognise the income.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

The direct costs are those associated with the running of the Monastery and the provision of religious services, all other costs that can not be directly attributed to this are now classed as support costs. Support costs include governance costs.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property - Straight line over 50 years

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Tangible fixed assets

Fixtures and fittings - 10% -25% Straight line

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

Freehold land is not depreciated.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds estimated by the trustees for a particular use.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Foreign currencies

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are included in net outgoing resources.

Debtors, cash and creditors

Other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably results in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any discounts due.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Going Concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Key Judgements

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the balance sheet date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year.

There were no key judgements during the year.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.12.19 £	31.12.18 £
Donations	<u>53,579</u>	<u>-</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.19 £	31.12.18 £
Deposit account interest	<u>53</u>	<u>159</u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.12.19 £	31.12.18 £
Pensions received	<u>-</u>	<u>3,616</u>

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
Monastery and provision of religious services	<u>90,266</u>	<u>5,156</u>	<u>95,422</u>

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6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Monastery and provision of religious services	<u>5,156</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2019 nor for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Trustees' expenses

The trustees are also members of the order. The members of the monastery are maintained by the charity and the annual cost of premises, meals and other living expenses are paid by the charity.

8. 2018 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME FROM			
Charitable activities			
Monastery and provision of religious services	3,616	-	3,616
Investment income	<u>159</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>159</u>
Total	3,775	-	3,775
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Monastery and provision of religious services	144,181	-	144,181
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(140,406)	-	(140,406)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward			
As previously reported	1,328,051	229,567	1,557,618
Prior year adjustment	<u>-</u>	<u>(229,567)</u>	<u>(229,567)</u>
As restated	1,328,051	-	1,328,051

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8. 2018 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>1,187,645</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,187,645</u>

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2019	<u>1,882,115</u>	<u>239,845</u>	<u>2,121,960</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 January 2019	709,700	239,845	949,545
Charge for year	<u>37,823</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,823</u>
At 31 December 2019	<u>747,523</u>	<u>239,845</u>	<u>987,368</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2019	<u>1,134,592</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,134,592</u>
At 31 December 2018	<u>1,172,415</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,172,415</u>

The costs incurred over the last few years for the refurbishment of the Parish Hall have been included in land and buildings. The new monastery is also included in land and buildings. The original church and monastery were built in 1936 and the hall in 1951 largely relying on voluntary labour. In these circumstances an accurate estimate of earlier construction costs is not possible. However the trustees estimate an approximation of the cost of land and the earlier buildings to be £10,000. The total insured value is approximately £6.9 million. The trustees have renovated one of the properties which has now been let.

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10. STOCKS

	31.12.19	31.12.18
	£	£
Stocks	<u>1,290</u>	<u>1,290</u>

11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.19	31.12.18
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>11,866</u>	<u>6,339</u>
	<u>11,866</u>	<u>6,339</u>

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.19	31.12.18
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>5,910</u>	<u>9,175</u>

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

	Balance as at 1 January 2019 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	Balance as at 31 December 2019 £
Property Fund	1,172,415	-	(37,823)	-	1,134,592
General fund	<u>15,230</u>	<u>53,632</u>	<u>(57,599)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,263</u>
	<u>1,187,645</u>	<u>53,632</u>	<u>(95,422)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,145,855</u>

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Movement in Unrestricted Funds Prior year

	Balance as at 1 January 2018 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	Balance as at 31 December 2018 £
Property Fund	1,209,877	-	(37,462)	-	1,172,415
Retirement Fund	76,085	-	(69,607)	(6,478)	-
General fund	42,089	3,775	(37,112)	6,478	15,230
	<u>1,328,051</u>	<u>3,775</u>	<u>(144,181)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,187,645</u>

The Property fund represents the properties owned by the charity including the new monastery.

The Retirement fund represents a separate designated fund set aside to providing the costs of maintaining the members of the Order as they grow older.

The General fund are unrestricted reserves to cover the charity should major maintenance of the property be deemed necessary.

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2019.

15. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

As a direct consequence of the Coronavirus (COVID 19) pandemic, and in accordance with UK government guidelines The Trust Property Held in Connection with the order of St Benedict (Olivetian Congregation) ceased all activity that included face to face meetings and large groups of people on 21 March 2020 for an indeterminate period.

At the date of approval of the accounts it has not been possible to quantify or ascertain with any certainty the financial impact of COVID-19. No adjustments have been made to any figures in the accounts as a result of the pandemic.