

## TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2023

**THE OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY:** To promote for the benefit of the nation the preservation of public transport vehicles and items of allied transport interest which are of historic and educational value. Also, the education of the general public of the history of public transport in the Leeds area. Further details are given in the Society's constitution, a copy of which may be obtained by application to the Hon. Secretary.

### THE TRUSTEES:

M. Reuben (Chairman),  
J. M. Hindes (Vice Chairman),  
J. B. Holmes (Secretary),  
S. Reuben (Treasurer)  
M. J. Waring,  
C. Walker (Membership Secretary),  
D. Farrer

The Trustees were elected at the Annual General Meeting held on 17th April 2023 and form the Society's Committee. All Trustees serve in an honorary capacity, without receiving any expenses, and are elected annually. Eleven meetings of the Committee were held during the year.

**CHANGE OF MEETING PLACE:** In January 2023 we found that our base at the Leeds Postal Sports Association Club at Kirkstall, Leeds, where the Society had its general meetings and stored its artefacts and sales stock, had been compulsorily purchased by Leeds City Council to demolish the building, to enable a developer build affordable housing. The Society found a new home for general meetings at the Middleton Railway at Hunslet, Leeds. However the Middleton Railway could not store the Society's artefacts and sales stock, so a small refurbished shipping container was purchased.

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE:** This came from a variety of sources including the sale of the Society's books and photographs, models, DVDs, and donated second-hand transport books. Items were sold through the internet, society meetings, and at transport-related events. Copies of the audited accounts for the Society are available from the Secretary at the registered address.

**SALES STANDS:** We attended four events where we had sales stands. These were Collectors' Fairs at Pudsey Civic Hall in April and October, Dewsbury Bus Museum Running Day in May and the Middleton Railway Model Railway Exhibition in July. The Leeds Model Railway Exhibition was cancelled due to the venue having building work carried out.

**LEEDS HERITAGE WEEKENDS 2023:** The Society took part in the two weekends by displaying bus and tram artefacts, timetables, maps and documents at the Middleton Railway.

**PUBLICATIONS:** The Society did not publish any new books this year, although it has two works in preparation, which were started by the late Jim Soper and are being completed by members of the Committee. Book sales were reasonably good with books. Sold through the Societies Website, and also through the Sales Stand as above.

**RESTORATION WORK:** The Society has no major project ongoing; Leeds Horse Tram 107, presently owned by the LTHS, is on display at the National Tramway Museum at Crich, awaiting modifications to allow the tram to be used for heritage services at the museum.

**TRAMWAY MODELLING:** Thanks to the family of the late Paul Abell we were offered and accepted a 00-gauge tram layout and three trams. It is in process of refurbishment. In

September, member Ian Robinson donated a number of fine model trams built by his late father and ideal for operation on the layout. Our thanks again.

**GENERAL ACTIVITIES:** During the year the Society held ten face-to-face general meetings from January to December except for July and August, with two at Kirkstall and eight at the Middleton Railway. The meetings were varied including talks on Tramways, Buses and Railways, with talks conducted by members of the Society and outside speakers.

**VISITS:** Due to all the problems associated with the move, a visit was not organised this year.

**SOCIETY SLIDES AND PHOTOGRAPHS:** The process of scanning the Society's slides and photographs onto computer hard drives continues. A special mention is due to our member Andrew Gill who has scanned many slides in the last year.

John B Holmes  
Hon. Secretary.

**THE LEEDS TRANSPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
(CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION)

**Statement of Financial Activities - Year to 31st December 2023**

	<b>2023</b>			<b>2022</b>		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>						
Charitable Trading Activities :-						
Sales - Books	796.30		796.30	2135.36		2135.36
- Others	347.95		347.95	994.38		994.38
Members Subscriptions	393.66		393.66	675.03		675.03
Donations	76.00		76.00	303.86		303.86
Building Society Interest	43.51		43.51	15.76		15.76
Gift Aid	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Royalties	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Other	3051.50		3051.50	1449.82		1449.82
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>4708.92</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>4708.92</b>	<b>5574.21</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5574.21</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>						
Direct Charitable Expenditure :-						
Cost of books sold	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Book Stock adjustments	552.36		552.36	2500.00		2500.00
Despatch Costs & Publicity	100.00		100.00	218.26		218.26
Cost of other sales	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Sales stock revaluation	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Postage & Stationery	7.50		7.50	10.75		10.75
Newsletter costs	19.78		19.78	124.88		124.88
Miscellaneous	3839.41		3839.41	2453.46		2453.46
Purchase of Equipment	157.98		157.98	330.38		330.38
Storage Rent	2910.00		2910.00	275.00		275.00
Donations						
Materials						
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>7587.03</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>7587.03</b>	<b>5912.73</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5912.73</b>
<b>NET EXPENDITURE/INCOME</b>	<b>-2878.11</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-2878.11</b>	<b>-£338.52</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-338.52</b>
Fund balances brought forward	31493.29	8593.20	40086.49	30911.71	8593.20	39504.91
Total funds	28,615.18	8,593.20	37,208.38	31493.29	8593.20	40086.49
Transfer between funds						
<b>FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>28,615.18</b>	<b>8,593.20</b>	<b>37,208.38</b>	<b>31493.29</b>	<b>8593.20</b>	<b>40086.49</b>

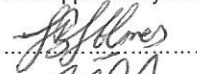

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**Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December 2023**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Stock - Books	2000.00	2552.36
- Others	40.00	40.00
Balance at Bank	6122.46	5589.14
Balance at Building Society	28660.18	31566.67
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Creditors, payable within one year		
<b>NET ASSETS EMPLOYED</b>	<b>36822.64</b>	<b>39748.17</b>
<b>REPRESENTED BY :</b>		
Unrestricted Income Fund	28229.44	31154.97

Restricted Fund	8593.20	8593.20
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>36822.64</b>	<b>39748.17</b>

These accounts were approved by the Trustees of the CIO on 08th April 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Signed  J Holmes Hon Secretary  
Signed  M. Reuben Hon Chairman

### Notes to the Accounts - Year ending 31st December 2023

#### **Accounting Policies and other information.**

##### **1. Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable accounting standards.

##### **2. Fundraising and Publicity.**

No expenditure on fundraising and publicity has been incurred during the year.

##### **3. Management and Administration of the Charity.**

No expenditure on management and administration has been incurred during the year.

##### **4. Trustees Remuneration and Expenses**

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the charity was paid or payable for the year to any trustee or to any person known to be connected with any of them.

##### **5. Restricted Fund**

The fund is to be used for future unspecified projects.

##### **6. Society Status.**

Under the provisions of the Charities Act 2011 a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the same title was registered on the 11th February 2015 and all the assets and liabilities of the old charity were transferred to the CIO on 17th April 2015 following a resolution to close the old charity being passed at the Annual General Meeting on 13th April 2015.

##### **7. Trustees' Responsibilities**

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the trust and of the surplus or deficit of the trust for that period. In preparation those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- a- select accounting policies and apply them consistently
- b- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c- prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the trust will continue in existence;
- d- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the trust. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.