



## **Trustees' Annual Report**

Our website states that “we advance education for the benefit of the public by promoting on a non-political basis the study and discussion of and the exchange and dissemination of information and knowledge concerning the educational and social effects and influences of existing educational systems and other aspects of public policy, in each case whether in the United Kingdom or elsewhere in the world”.

The subject of the education here is education in its broader sense and the practice of education. The intention is that the public exchange of the ideas generated and opinions discussed between experts in their field amongst a knowledgeable audience of educators will add to the store of human knowledge through the use of research and its dissemination. The expectation is that the generation of open public debate in this way will lead to innovation and advancement in educational practice that improves the lives of everyone.

There are many areas of education which are yet to be explored fully, for instance; the emerging understanding of the way in which artificial intelligence can be used to support teaching and learning, but there are limited opportunities for this understanding to be conveyed to classroom teachers or parents. Creating a dialogue which helps to convey information in a balanced way which helps people to draw their own conclusions, rather than the heavily biased views which have been put forward in some areas in the recent past.

This has been a year in which The Oxford School of Thought has consolidated its position as an independent educational think tank. Most of our time has been spent engaging with others to spread our sphere of influence and further the aims of the charity. We have met with a number of associates who have offered their support and been in contact with others electronically, we have spoken at public and private meetings, being recognised as leaders in the field of educational thought.

There have been no financial movements during the year, assets stand at £300.00.

Peter Cansell

Founding Director

April 2017

There have been no changes to the governance of the charity during the year. The Trustees are as follows:

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