



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

On accounts for the year
ended

30 September 2018

Charity no
(if any)

1135990

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 September 2018.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Deborah Harding

Date:

01/06/17

Name:

DEBORAH HARDING.

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

CIMA. 1-95009

(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

FRIENDS OF THE STEINER ACADEMY HEREFORD

1135990

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/10/2017

To

30/09/2018

Section A Receipts and payments

| | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Endowment funds | Total funds | Last year |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ |
| A1 Receipts | | | | | |
| DONATIONS | 33,852 | - | - | 33,852 | 36,635 |
| FUNDRAISING | 28,069 | - | - | 28,069 | 23,628 |
| SCHOOL SHOP | 9,100 | - | - | 9,100 | 9,931 |
| BANK INTEREST | 2 | - | - | 2 | 1 |
| HOLDING FUNDS | - | 198 | - | 198 | 298 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 71,024 | 198 | - | 71,222 | 70,493 |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | | | | | |
| Total receipts | 71,024 | 198 | - | 71,222 | 70,493 |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| FUNDRAISING COSTS | 9,946 | - | - | 9,946 | 9,304 |
| PROFESSIONAL FEES | 105 | - | - | 105 | 101 |
| BANK CHARGES | 25 | - | - | 25 | 30 |
| OTHER DIRECT COSTS | 188 | - | - | 188 | 241 |
| SHOP EXPENDITURE | 7,761 | - | - | 7,761 | 7,837 |
| DONATIONS TO SCHOOL | 62,900 | - | - | 62,900 | 58,719 |
| OUTSIDE INITIATIVES | - | - | - | - | 500 |
| COMMITTEE EXPENSES | - | - | - | - | 136 |
| TRAINING | 265 | - | - | 265 | 250 |
| Sub total | 81,190 | - | - | 81,190 | 77,118 |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | | | | | |
| Total payments | 81,190 | - | - | 81,190 | 77,118 |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | - 10,167 | 198 | - | - 9,969 | - 6,625 |
| A5 Transfers between funds | | | | | |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | 44,172 | 725 | - | 44,897 | 51,522 |
| Cash funds this year end | 34,005 | 923 | - | 34,928 | 44,897 |

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

| Categories | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
|--|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| B1 Cash funds | CASH & BANK | 34,928 | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | Total cash funds | 34,928 | - | - |
| | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | | | |
| B2 Other monetary assets | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| B3 Investment assets | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | Shephaerds Hut | 2000 | - | - |
| | Cupboards | 280 | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| B5 Liabilities | Details | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
| | | | - | |
| | | | - | |
| | | | - | |
| | | | - | |
| | | | - | |
| | | | - | |
| Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees | Signature | Print Name | Date of approval | |
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Chair's Report for Friends of Steiner Academy Hereford Sept 2017 to Oct 2018

September 2017 – July 2018 for AGM June 2019

Another busy year for Friends. It is true to say that the financial pressure that all schools are facing is a continuing concern and we are no exception. Last year School asked for Fundraising to be increased to £18000 and that remained the same for this year too. This is at the limit of our current fundraising capacity.

We need to think of creative ways that we can maximise fundraising events in an already crowded school calendar. The autumn term kicked off with the harvest supper organised by class 3 and ended with the Advent fair in the Shire hall which once again was successful in terms of the money raised, over £5000 net. Thanks must go once again to our resourceful community under the direction of Clare McGowan and her team. And extra special thanks to Clare who stepped down as Advent Fair lead after many years organising

The advent Market, which is held a week later has in the past few years been a very enjoyable and relaxed event. Class 2 took this on and made it a very enjoyable event for all.

In to the spring term class 5 Hosted Imbolc to dispel the darkness of winter and welcome in the first glimmers of the light of spring with a bit of wassailing and some delicious food thrown in.

The Easter market was again a successful day much expanded and with horse rides being offered as part of the attractions.

In to the summer term and due to a crowding of the calendar we again combined two events, the Community workday with the Mayfair. Although less well attended than previous years it was enjoyed by all and works well with the community work day.

Arts Alive events continue to be supported by various classes providing refreshments. This year Open Day was again successfully held alongside a Celebration of Work from 1-6 which was very much enjoyed and appreciated.

Friends provided catering and children's activities for the Garden Festival at Hellens Manor in June. This is always an enjoyable event to be involved in and once again a team lead

by Alice Adcock and parents from class 4,6 and 9 plus others put in a lot of work in the kitchen diner area , while kindergarten parents took on children activities, there was also plant stall which ran successfully.

The Duke of Edinburgh scheme for bronze and silver is supported by Friends in the paying of the annual subscription fee and the purchase of any items needed by the resourceful team of instructors lead by Kirsten Hopkins, who put in a lot of work and time in facilitating this fantastic experience for class 8/9.

The donation scheme continues to be supported by approximately a third of parents with whatever they can afford, amounts ranging from £5 to £90 a month. The important point being that it is regular amount that can be relied upon for budgeting purposes. Thanks as ever to all Parents who contribute. It is recognised that we need to constantly engage with all parents, new and old, stressing the importance of these contributions for the school and the richness of our children's' education.

The allocation of fundraised money was kept at 80% to school, 15% emergency funds and 5% to other Steiner education initiatives, although during this financial year no funds were allocated to any other projects. However I note that total fundraised money was approx. £28000 and expenses incurred is approx. £10,000 this just about covers the £18000 we give the school from fundraising. It should be noted that this years figure includes £5000 from the KG promise auction which only happens every other year. I believe we need to revisit these allocated figures which were arrived at when the donation to the school from fundraising was approx. 12,000. Most classes managed to achieve their fundraising targets at £600 per class and £1000 by Kindergarten, and it was agreed that these targets (to be donated to school) would be met before classes fundraised for individual class projects.

Class Reps continued to be run as a crucial link between classes, parents and Friends, a sometimes endless task of involving parents in the needs of their individual classes and the task of perpetual fundraising. Often class reps reported the difficulties of engaging parents in their classes for various class activities. They need strong support from the parents of each class. Thanks must go to Helena Trethowan who stood down as class rep lead after many years, and all the class reps for the invaluable work they do.

Friends PTA continues to take a proactive role in meeting with prospective new parents at open days and mornings with the

intention of not only answering questions but also stressing that parents are expected to get involved in all aspects of the school as much as they possibly can, as this not only supports the school but importantly the experience of the child through their educational journey.

Thanks once again to the tireless efforts of all parents who get involved willingly or otherwise in volunteering and supporting the school and our community in any way they can.

Mike Young (Chair)

