

REGISTERED CHARITY NO 233120

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

TRUSTEES

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Michael Barber
Elisabeth Dyson-Jones
Mark Facer (Treasurer)
Dorothy Hewerdine (Chair)
Helen Mason
Justin Meggitt (appointed 21 November 2018)
Derek McAuley
Mark Pearce
Melanie Prideaux
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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019****TRUSTEES' REPORT**

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2019. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 7 and comply with the Charity's trust deed and applicable law.

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

Charity name:	The John Gregson Trust
Charity registration number:	233120
Trustees and advisors:	These are set out on page 1

Structure governance and management

The John Gregson Trust (which incorporates the John Gregson Fund and the Charles Booth Fund) is constituted as an unincorporated Charity under a trust deed dated 3 August 1956.

The declaration of trust states that the administration of the trust shall be undertaken by the Hibbert Trust and hence only trustees of the Hibbert Trust are eligible to be appointed as trustees of the John Gregson Trust.

Objects and activities

(i) The objects of the Trust are the promotion of corporate worship amongst those who profess Christianity in its most simple and intelligible form, including those churches which are on the Role of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches. (ii) The Trustees shall have special regard for the maintenance of the fabric of places of worship within the sphere of (i) above which, in their opinion, are of historical and architectural importance.

Achievements and performance

The trust has received funding in the form of investment income from its investments which are managed by the Investment Managers in conjunction with the Unitarian Investment Panel. This has enabled it to support a wide range of projects. Grants totalling £29,065 (2018: £42,603) have been authorised during the year. At the year-end there were grants outstanding of £21,100 (2018: £16,200)

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the Charity to retain sufficient funds to meet future commitments. Grants are only paid from funds in hand. If insufficient suitable applications for grants are received, the surplus is invested for future income generation or retained for future grant making.

Public Benefit

The charitable activities for the year are in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The charity continues to provide grants subject to satisfactory application for funding within its charitable aims and objectives as explained above.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

Trustees responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

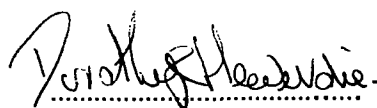
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:-



Dorothy Hewerdine

Trustee

16 November 2019

**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of
The John Gregson Trust**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended (date) which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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

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 charity 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.

S. J. Wetherall
S J Wetherall FCA FCCA

Shaw Gibbs Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants

26 November 2019

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2019

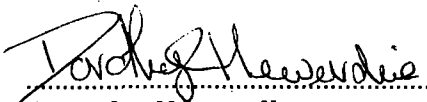
	note	2019	2018
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Investment Income		30,752	28,212
Total Incoming Resources		<u>30,752</u>	<u>28,212</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Costs of generating funds	3	2,883	2,985
Charitable Activities	4	29,065	35,787
Administrative Costs		1,131	797
Total Resources Expended		<u>33,079</u>	<u>35,569</u>
NET (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		<u>(2,327)</u>	<u>(11,357)</u>
Gains / (Losses) on Investment	6 & 9	23,725	(6,473)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS IN THE FINANCIAL YEAR		21,398	(17,830)
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		<u>755,238</u>	<u>773,068</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>776,636</u></u>	<u><u>755,238</u></u>

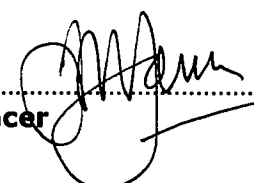
The notes referred to above form part of these Financial Statements.

BALANCE SHEET**AS AT 31 March 2019**

	notes	2019	2018
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	6	802,264	774,242
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Bank and in Hand		5,528	11,390
		5,528	11,390
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Amounts due within one year	7	31,156	30,394
NET CURRENT ASSETS		(25,628)	(19,004)
NET ASSETS		776,636	755,238
REPRESENTED BY			
Unrestricted Fund	8	117,738	112,599
Capital Fund	8	658,898	642,639
		776,636	755,238

Approved by the Trustees on 16 November 2019
and signed on their behalf by:-


..... **Chair and Trustee**
Dorothy Hewerdine


..... **Treasurer and Trustee**
Mark Facer

The notes referred to above form part of these Financial Statements.

**NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2019**

1 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting Convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Trust's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2018). The Trust is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

(b) Investment Income

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the Charity is entitled to receipt.

(c) Resources Expended

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Direct payments are made voluntarily to institutions or to individuals.

The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

(d) Fixed Asset Investments

Fixed asset investments are included at mid-market value at the balance sheet date. All changes in value during the year, whether realised or unrealised, are reported in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(e) Taxation

The Charity does not trade for tax purposes and hence is not liable to Corporation Tax on its surplus.

(f) Fund Accounting

The Charity maintains a capital fund. The capital fund is established to protect the real value of the funds into the future and are not available for distribution.

An amount equal to the increase in value of investments in line with RPI is set aside from realised or unrealised gains in the year and credited to the capital fund. Any excess realised or unrealised gains are allocated to the unrestricted fund and are to be used in accordance with the charitable objects.

This is a change from the previous year where an additional 30% of any gains were allocated to the capital fund.

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2 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the trustees were paid any remuneration by the Charity during the year (2018 – none).

For administrative purposes, all of the bank transactions of The John Gregson Trust are undertaken by the Hibbert Trust. This results in an amount due to or from the Hibbert Trust. That amount at the year-end is £10,056 due to the Hibbert Trust (2018: £14,194). All of the trustees of The John Gregson Trust are also trustees of the Hibbert Trust and vice versa.

Administrative costs of the Hibbert Trust are incurred in common with the John Gregson Trust. The Hibbert Trust charges an appropriate amount to the John Gregson Trust annually. The amount for the current year is £1,131 (2018: £1,074).

During the year the 14 trustees (2018: 12) were reimbursed expenses. These amounts are included in the accounts of The Hibbert Trust

3 COST OF GENERATING FUNDS

	2019	2018
Management fees	2,883	2,985
	<u>2,883</u>	<u>2,985</u>

4 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2019	2018
Charitable grants approved	29,065	42,603
Charitable grants cancelled	-	(6,816)
	<u>29,065</u>	<u>35,787</u>

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5 ANALYSIS OF GRANTS

Aberdare	4,500
Brighton	6,500
Bury St Edmunds	1,000
Chatham	2,000
Chowbent	2,500
Fulwood	500
Godalming	1,000
Hull	1,565
Mansfield	500
Rivington	1,000
Rochdale	5,000
Stannington	1,500
Tenterden	1,000
Walmsley	500
Total	<u>29,065</u>

All grants are for maintenance of the fabric of places of worship.

6 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2019	2018
Market Value at 1 April 2018	774,242	762,686
Acquisitions at cost	32,730	69,819
Disposals	(23,580)	(51,880)
Gain / (loss) on revaluation	18,872	(6,383)
Market value at 31 March 2019	<u>802,264</u>	<u>774,242</u>
Cost as at 31 March 2019	<u>688,894</u>	<u>678,918</u>

Statement of Gains and Losses on Investments	2019	2018
Realised gain / (loss) on sale of investments	4,853	(90)
Gain / (loss) on revaluation	18,872	(6,383)
	<u>23,725</u>	<u>(6,473)</u>

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6 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (continued)

Analysis of investments (market value)	2019	2018
Fixed interest	152,985	152,786
UK equity funds	157,156	156,498
Overseas equity funds	192,149	178,555
Multi-asset funds	108,530	111,292
Property	112,894	101,261
Alternative funds	78,550	73,850
	<u>802,264</u>	<u>774,242</u>

7 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2019	2018
Grants approved but unpaid	21,100	16,200
Other creditors	10,056	14,194
	<u>31,156</u>	<u>30,394</u>

8 ACCUMULATED FUNDS

	2019			2018		
	Unrestric- ted fund	Capital fund	Total	Unrestric- ted fund	Capital fund	Total
Balance at 1 April 2018	112,599	642,639	755,238	130,429	642,639	773,068
Movement on investments (Deficit)/ Surplus in year	7,466 (2,327)	16,259	23,725 (2,327)	(6,473) (11,357)	-	(6,473) (11,357)
Balance at 31 March 2019	<u>117,738</u>	<u>658,898</u>	<u>766,636</u>	<u>112,599</u>	<u>642,639</u>	<u>755,238</u>