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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1045547

Report of the Trustees
and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2019
for
Somerset & Dorset Railway Heritage Trust

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2019

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2019

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 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 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and Activities

The Trust and S&DJR Company have distinct but over-lapping functions. The Trust is essentially responsible for property, railway assets, funding, heritage, education and publications. The Company oversees railway operations and commercial activity (shop and catering), with support from the Trust. The Company is effectively owned by the Trust and endorses recommendations from the Company to add to the working Directors. The Trust leaves all aspects of commercial activity to the Company to determine, supervise and audit. Both Company and Trust continue to work towards having different people on both Boards. Any profit made by the Company is gifted to the Trust as appropriate.

This report focuses on Trust activity in the financial year 2018-19, ending in March 2019 but with inevitable cross-references to Company activity. Significant progress continues to be made in both developing the overall project (Trust) and consolidating railway operations (Company). Liaison between the Company and Trustees is ongoing and regular.

Volunteers

The Trust values all its members whether sedentary or active but working volunteers are particularly appreciated. Working volunteers have increased steadily over the course of the year and their skills sets have proved to be invaluable to the Trust. A Volunteers' Weekend is now a regular annual event normally in August but, more often than not, people turn up on any Sunday and Monday to offer their skills. Based upon the value of volunteers normally estimated at around £50 per day by grant giving bodies, we saw over £175,000 contribution in 2018/19

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Overview of the year and project development

Single track was laid practically up to the Chilcompton infill in October 2018 and the first trains to run over the length of the line, now a mile in length, began at the start of the 2019 season. Network Rail came in to weld some of our track as part of their pro bono activities whilst Mott MacDonald continued to provide hands on professional advice, again in a pro bono capacity. These very useful associations are expected to continue well into the future. The work carried out on the extension was praised by a current Network Rail engineer as some of the best he has seen on a preserved railway which is a tribute to Trevor Hodge and the track gang who turn out in all weathers. An official reopening of the track with a royal emphasis is now expected in 2020.

The strengthened signalling team now under the leadership of Will George has continued to look at the ramifications for relocking the signalbox which depends upon Somervale and bringing the Up line into regular use.

Work continued apace on the BSK to the extent that it was used for the first time in early 2019 on a three coach test train, this being the first time since 1966 that the S&D in the northern section saw a three coach MK1 train. The work carried out by the team has been exemplary and when one looks at the semi derelict state of the coach when it arrived back from the Churnet Valley, it is hard to realise that it is the same coach. Work has also taken place on the TSO that is owned by the North York Moors railway to ensure it meets its fitness to run examinations without any trouble. For various reasons, transferring the ownership of the SK to the Trust did not take place in the period in question but that should be concluded shortly.

MR255 was taken up the line on a very special privately organised day by Andy Chapman's Sentinel Joyce so that Mike Colbourn who had been in the project from its early days could have a ride in one of the restored compartments with his wife. This was done because Mike had been diagnosed with terminal cancer and would not live to see its complete restoration.

Our CME Barrie Papworth has taken steps to prioritise work on our wagons and this is evident on the major work that started on the Milk Tanker restoration, led by Bob Edwardes. Additional volunteers have been hard on work and continued the Wickham Trolley project that had been started in 2017/18 whilst others work on the range of wagons we have at our disposal. As always, the limited space within the goods shed is a major limiting factor with demands for using that space increasing over the period; thus, any replacement facility can only be a welcome addition to our engineering facilities.

Railway and commercial operations

The Trust continued to support the S&DJR Company in its monthly events throughout the year with Trust volunteers taking on safety critical roles for the Company and providing support staff for all events. One of our stalwart staff in the ticket office, Viv Taylor fell seriously ill during the period and continues to receive treatment. The Trust wishes her well in her recovery. The good news is that Annie Davenport who used to produce our event posters and who was reported as being ill last year is now in full remission and that will give heart to Viv in her ongoing fight.

Membership

Total membership as at March 2019 stands at 1060 which was down slightly from 1071 in 2017-18. The Trust is particularly grateful for the work carried out by Tim Deacon as Membership Secretary and dealing with the distribution of the periodic Between The Lines and Telegraph. Please do remember to let us know home address and email address changes as they occur

Heritage

The museum comprising the main Stable Block, the Anderson Shelter, Pillbox and Kilmersdon wagon has continued to develop under Barry Bax and Roger Taylor, our Curators and the work on Museum Accreditation continues apace but does take considerable time and effort on their part. Zaida Haworth continues to liaise successfully with local schools and a number of very successful visits have been made to the site.

Buildings

The Buildings team continues to carry out sterling work but it is increasingly obvious that repairs and maintenance to the fencing around the site may be better served by replacement of the wooden palings by moulded plastic and steps were made to seek out potential suppliers in early 2019. That quest continues.

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Gardens

The garden areas around the site are looking the best they have ever looked thanks to the regular team of volunteers who have grown and planted hanging baskets, the Astrological garden and the borders by the platforms. We have been very pleased to welcome two outside volunteer groups Fosse Way School and Sainsbury's 150th anniversary volunteers. These two groups have enabled us to weed, fill in and plant the front road border which is a major and significant improvement to the frontage of the station. Another significant planting was a row of indigenous hedgerow plants along the Somervale siding boundary.

In addition, we entered the 'It's Your Neighbourhood' awards of South West in Bloom again this year after a spell of not entering. The judge was very impressed by the progress around the site and took a trip up the line on the Wickham Trolley to see how the wild flowers have grown after the lineside clearance. We won't know what level we have achieved until October but the judge has promised a personal presentation at the station.

Press and Publicity

There has been very good local press coverage which ranges out to Frome and Melksham and the Chew Valley as well as the Radstock and Midsomer Norton area. Local press appreciates photographs of people so volunteers are being urged to take photos at events with people as well as railway hardware. BBC Somerset has arranged several interviews at some of our events and is always interested in promoting the activities with trains running. The Visit Somerset website has information about the station and events as do local information journals Midsomer Norton Life and the Westfield Warbler. The national Rail magazines have covered some of the major events with the addition of paid adverts.

The poster coverage by volunteers spreads the word locally and the events committee would be very pleased to get more people to take the posters around. The posters are very good quality, informative and professional. The line guide with dates of trains running and events has been distributed far and wide including LICs and other Heritage Railways.

Nationally, where appropriate and where we consider that this will have a significant impact on visitors to a specific event, we will continue to advertise in the national railway publications. However, the local publicity invariably provides a much better return as it is local families and not pure railway enthusiasts who contribute most to sustaining our railway ticket income.

Safety considerations

The Trust now has an experienced safety consultant in Graham Jackson, one of our members who along with Roger Worner and Matt Cornborough seek to make our site and its operations safe and secure

Governance

Trustees meet regularly every two months to discuss policy and other matters. Minutes of every meeting are made available to the volunteers on site but are available to any member requesting them. Redactions to the minutes are rare and kept to the absolute minimum. The Chairman, Secretary and Finance Director are appointed at the first meeting after the AGM. Sub committees of the Trust will be created where necessary but any spending decisions of those sub committees, unless specifically delegated will be ratified by a majority of Trustees. Where a meeting is not imminent, such decisions will be done by email. The Trustees will also hold periodic conference calls in between the main meetings with any decisions agreed relayed to Trustees after the conference call.

The Trust sets an annual income and expenditure budget. It will alter this where circumstances change (e.g. reducing expenditure if income is expected to be lower than expected). Budget holders can spend up to the limit of their budget but have to take cognisance of Trust cashflow in consultation with the Finance Director - expenditure is expected to be spread across the whole of the financial year. Where a newly proposed item of expenditure arises the budget holder must complete a budget justification form which also sets out where the income to cover the expenditure will be found.

The Trust holds a special interest bearing legacy account and has the power to invest such income as it sees fit using independent financial advice. Expenditure taken from legacies will be decided outside the annual income and expenditure budget for management purposes as and when expenditure is agreed by the Trust. There will be occasions where expenditure may exceed a forecast as this may depend upon the scope of the work undertaken - however such expenditure will not be deemed open ended and had to be individually itemised against known occurrences. The legacy account cannot be used to pay invoices - the invoice sum has to be transferred from the legacy account into the payment account first.

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The Trust maintains a minimum of two signatories to pay invoices and two signatories are needed to change any aspects of the Trust's accounting procedures or the primary user. HSBC does not have dual factor authorisation unlike some other banks so the payment of larger invoices needs to be approved (usually by email) before payment can be made.

As in any business situation, Trustees are not obliged to accept the lowest quotation or to seek a minimum of three quotations for every contractual obligation they enter into. Whilst this would be the ideal, Trustees have the right to consider other aspects than simple financial costs. All such decisions will be minuted for audit purposes.

In all financial aspects, the Trust follows, where applicable, Charity Commission's guidelines for financial propriety.

Trustee Changes

One significant change in the Trustees at the last AGM was the resignation, primarily on ill health grounds, of Peter Russell who had been with the project practically from its inception heading up the role of Trust Secretary but also using his former transport planning experience in the various planning applications over the years. Peter, despite his health issues, continues as the Editor of The Telegraph but would appreciate someone who can look to taking on that role in the future.

Phil Ewins stepped down from his Finance Director role but, as a replacement in that role is always hard to come by, he has continued to work with the Trustees and has been responsible for liaising with our Financial Examiner to deal with finalising the 2018/19 accounts.

Brenden Hill also resigned at the end of his current 3 year tenure but has transferred his skills to the Company Board.

Alan Price resigned at the end of his current 3 year tenure to make a move to help with signalling at the Berkeley Vale Railway.

Trustees thank all those leaving the Board for their huge contribution to the development of where the Trust is today over many years.

Formal links to three of our local schools

The Trust has special formal links to three local schools. Norton Hill Academy has since our inception provided us with parking facilities at weekends when their facilities are not required by the school for which we are extremely grateful. We reciprocate their generosity by taking on a number of Duke of Edinburgh Awards pupils under the tutelage of John Marriott who quietly and tirelessly ensures that their needs are met. John has also forged important links with Fossey School where pupils with a range of special needs are taught. Supervised regular visits are made by pupils to the site on Sundays and Mondays and whilst this can create a number of demands on volunteers on site, the Trust considers that such links are an important part of our relationships with the local community.

Liaison with Midsomer Norton Town Council, Radstock Town Council, Bath & North East Somerset Council and Mendip Council

2018-19 saw us continuing and enhancing the links with our local councils and we now have a designated link councillor at Midsomer Norton in Gordon McKay.

Liaison with other Somerset & Dorset organisations

The Trust continues to host regular meetings where the various organisations either on the S&D or associated with it meet to discuss what their respective organisations are currently experiencing and their plans for the coming year.

Liaison with the Heritage Railway Association

The Trust is a member of the HRA which produces regular guidance notes on all aspects of railway operations, the work and requirements of trustees and company directors. John Baxter is the HRA's Secretary to their Operating and Safety Committee and provides regular updates on aspects of HRA operations. In addition a number of local heritage railways both standard and narrow gauge, covering Somerset, Bath & North East Somerset, Bristol, Wiltshire, South Gloucestershire and Gloucestershire continue to meet every three months to discuss matters of mutual concern. The introduction of more rigorous requirements for the larger heritage railways will filter down to smaller railways such as our own and the release of an updated assessment regime in early 2019 known as RM3 (Risk Management Maturity Model) is one that Trust and Company have decided to apply to our railway in an appropriate manner.

Publications

The S&D Telegraph and *Between the Lines Newsletter* have been issued on a regular basis throughout the year and these continue to attract praise for their content and professionalism.

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Outline Planning Application

Members who attended the 2017/18 AGM will have heard of the plans for an outline planning application that was about to be made by the Trust. This has only been made possible as a result of the Peter Sainsbury legacy which is still ongoing in the realisation of the final assets. The eventual sum from the legacy is thus not yet known but it will exceed £0.5 million. The Trustees and Directors of the Company met a planning consultant, Joe Marchant, early in July to discuss certain matters of principle regarding the way in which the legacy should be enhanced and to brainstorm possibilities for the site.

The meeting then decided to appoint Mr Marchant into the role of bringing forward these possibilities into an Outline Planning Application (OPA) which was submitted to B&NES in October. This caused considerable controversy among a handful of members who were not party to the conversations with the consultant and thus the reasons why an OPA was chosen rather than a full planning application. They effectively asserted that the Trustees had no mandate to proceed in the way they did and that every member should have been consulted in advance. Suffice it to say that we have had, from the very beginning, considerable support for the process we have applied, including from a member who is a current serving planning officer and another who is a recently retired town planner who both consider the OPA route was the only one we could reasonably take.

As a number of members pointed out at the time of the application, Trustees are elected to carry forward the work of the Trust and if members are unhappy with that they can seek to change Trustees at an AGM or EGM. Our aim has always been to enhance the value of the legacy by up to three times its value and that was why we agreed to employ an acknowledged expert with a verifiable track record in planning and grant applications to achieve this. We will continue to seek that outcome on behalf of the membership.

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2019

FINANCIAL REVIEW

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC BENEFITS OF THE CHARITY

Under the Charities Act 2006, Trustees must report on their charity's public benefits in their Annual Report, showing the types and nature of the benefits that justify its continued charitable status. The level of detail depends on gross income. Benefit reporting should be proportionate and appropriate to the charity's circumstances. This table shows benefits provided in 2018-19.

CHARITY OBJECTS (from Memorandum of Association).

Restoration and use of S&DJR route and running stock.

CORRESPONDING CLASS OF PUBLIC BENEFIT	ACTIVITIES PROVIDING BENEFITS IN 2018-19	PRINCIPAL BENEFICIARIES
Accessible historic railway for visitors.	Development, repair and expansion of railway and station buildings.	General public. Visitors. Volunteers. Trust Members.
Conservation of cultural history	Restoration of historic locomotives, carriages and wagons.	General public. Visitors. Volunteers. Trust Members.
Associated environmental conservation	Extension of trackbed in accordance with environmental considerations for wildlife and tree preservation	General public. Visitors.
Preservation and display of S&DJR artefacts and documents.	Dynamic and static museum facilities in three locations on site. Upgrading and variation of internal museum displays.	General public. Visitors. Volunteers.
Research into the S&DJR and associated local history.	Research facility. Educational resource. Responding to queries on the S&DJR.	Visitors. Students. Volunteers. Trust Members. Historians.
Public education about the S&DJR.	Continuing publication of the "Telegraph" magazine and "Between The Lines" newsletter. Escorted group visits for schools, railway societies and general public. S&D orientated film shows at other society locations.	Visitors. Students. Volunteers. Trust Members. Historians.
Provision of recreational facilities.	Extension of permissive lineside path. Improved access for disabled visitors. Management of ecological spaces. Photographic/filming events.	General public. Walkers. Visitors. Photographers. Film Makers.
Provision of educational and training facilities to those restoring the S&DJR.	Training for safety-critical roles on railway operations and general 'mutual improvement' classes. Personal track safety. Hygiene, first aid and museum accreditation related courses..	Railway volunteers.

Charges approved by
Trustees
John Barker
Trust Secretary
3/1/2020

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC BENEFITS OF THE CHARITY

Financial Review (Summary)

Financial results for 2018-19 were on budget and reflected the resumption of regular train services, with outgoings of £99754 against income of £418568. Major routine spending was again on membership (including the journal), insurance (on the newly negotiated HRA mutual insurance), utilities with just over 45% on OPA associated fees and consultancy. Main income sources were the Company transferred surplus, membership fees legacies and donations.

Prospects for 2019-20

The over-riding priority entering 2019-20 remains supporting the Company with the consolidation of regular and more frequent public train services with its increased operating days. This includes updating and reviewing safety management systems, staff competencies, railway instructions, and the recruiting and training of more volunteers in key operating areas along with the application of RM3.

Other high priorities continue to be: major fund-raising for capital developments alongside the Peter Sainsbury legacy and the associated planning applications that will be required for specific building proposals, attracting more volunteers in all areas; recruiting new younger Trustees, Company Directors and service managers and completing any resultant land negotiations.

A longer-term aim remains to explore further extensions to the running line in both directions subject to the availability of funds and accessibility. However, because of the non-availability the Chilcompton Tunnels for many years to come, work to look at a northwards extension will be a priority, working with Midsomer Norton and Radstock Town Councils to achieve this in the longer term, whilst putting down a marker for that ambition in the respective Neighbourhood Plans.

An important aspect of our income streams are those members who, in addition to their annual membership also make a regular monthly donation to the Trust. Also, the value of Gift Aid is vital to our income stream where a donation of £100 is increased to £125 by HMRC paying us the difference of £25. A regular monthly donation plus Gift Aid is therefore an excellent way to help our cashflow, so please consider doing this for 2019/20.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006. The Trust is managed by a board of up to nine Trustees elected at the Annual General Meeting. Trustees have power to co-opt to fill a vacancy that occurs during the year with that newly co-opted Trustee having full voting rights and serving until the end of the term that the previous Trustee would have held. Membership of the Trust is by subscription under various categories.

The Somerset & Dorset Joint Railway Company is a share-limited company and subsidiary of the Trust. It is controlled on behalf of Trust members through the Trustees' majority voting rights and their right to appoint all Directors except for one appointed by the ordinary shareholders.

The Trustees set the overall policy and budget giving due consideration to proposals put forward by the Company. The Trust holds assets such as property, rolling stock and infrastructure.

The Company is responsible for the commercial operation of the Trust's assets and its profits are gifted back to the Trust normally at the end of the financial year that runs to the 31st March. Work on the Trust's assets is financed by the Trust and can be carried out using either outside contractors or volunteers according to the skill sets of the latter, the extent of the work to be undertaken and any pertinent regulations in force at the time the work is undertaken.

The Trust is responsible for membership, the "Telegraph" magazine and "Between The Lines" newsletter, the museum and education of the public in the S & D heritage. It is also responsible for the purchase or lease of land, obtaining planning permissions, the purchase or lease of locomotives and rolling stock, on-site security, insurance and fundraising.

*Charges approved by
Trustees
John Barker
Trust Secretary
3/1/2020*

Report of the Trustees
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new Trustees

Recruitment of sufficient competent Trustees is recognised as an ongoing issue for small charities. The Trust issues guidance that allows prospective Trustees to consider their own suitability for the role before applying as candidates.

Trustees are expected to act in a collaborative manner whilst a member of the Trust Board and associated sub committees from time to time appointed, applying and accepting collective, democratic decision making. They are not expected to be a Trustee simply for their own ends or for that part of the railway operation with which they are primarily associated.

Relationship between the Charity and Related Parties

There are no relationships between the Trust and related parties that fall within the requirements for disclosure under the Charity Commission's SORP requirements.

The Trust is a member of the Heritage Railway Association and the Bristol Area Railway Heritage Group (BAQRHG) which comprises of a number of heritage railways based in Somerset, Wiltshire, Bristol, Gloucestershire, South Gloucestershire, Bath & North East Somerset, Gloucestershire and South Wales.

The Trust periodically meets informally with The Somerset & Dorset Railway Trust (based at Washford on the West Somerset Railway), The North Dorset Railway Trust (based at Shillingstone on the S&D), The New Somerset & Dorset Railway (which promotes full restoration of the S&D), the Gartell Railway and those restoring Spetisbury and Midford Stations

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

03038464 (England and Wales) (Company limited by guarantee)

Registered Charity number

1045547

First established in 1995

VAT Registration No:

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John Ronald Baxter
Peter Brent Russell
Alan John Price
Brenden Charles Hill

Company Secretary

- resigned 31.3.19
- resigned 19.7.18
- resigned 29.09.18
(after 3 year tenure)
- appointed 26.11.18
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- appointed 26.11.18
- appointed 23.9.17
- appointed 23.9.17

Roger Burfitt
Brian Litherland
Barrie Papworth
Gail Marie Coleshill
Zaida Haworth
Stephen Lacey

Vice-Chairman

Chairman

Philip Howard Jones
Philip John Ewins

Finance Director

- resigned 26.11.18

(but continued to help and advise Trustees on financial matters during this period)

Report of the Trustees
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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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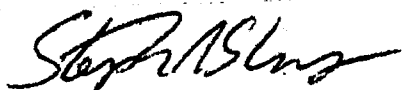
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EVENTS SINCE THE END OF THE YEAR

Information relating to events since the end of the year are provided, where applicable, in the notes to the financial statements.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 28 July 2019 and signed on its behalf by:



Stephen Lacey - Chairman

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Somerset & Dorset Railway Heritage Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Somerset & Dorset Railway Heritage Trust ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2019.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of Chartered Certified Accountant which is one of the listed bodies

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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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28 July 2019

Somerset & Dorset Railway Heritage Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2019

		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.3.19 Total funds £	31.3.18 Total funds £
	Notes				
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		409,702	8,802	418,504	76,002
Investment income	2	<u>64</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>6</u>
Total		409,766	8,802	418,568	76,008
 EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		<u>93,668</u>	<u>6,086</u>	<u>99,754</u>	<u>60,518</u>
NET INCOME		316,098	2,716	318,814	15,490
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>114,856</u>	<u>128,395</u>	<u>243,251</u>	<u>227,761</u>
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>430,954</u>	<u>131,111</u>	<u>562,065</u>	<u>243,251</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Somerset & Dorset Railway Heritage Trust

Balance Sheet
At 31 March 2019

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	31.3.19 Total funds	31.3.18 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	73,410	38,177	111,587	113,811
Heritage assets	7	29,235	75,970	105,205	94,883
Investments	8	<u>1,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
		103,645	114,147	217,792	209,694
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	9	600	-	600	1,319
Debtors	10	21,082	-	21,082	18,532
Prepayments and accrued income		195	-	195	32
Cash at bank		<u>314,142</u>	<u>16,964</u>	<u>331,106</u>	<u>25,446</u>
		336,019	16,964	352,983	45,329
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(8,710)	-	(8,710)	(11,772)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>327,309</u>	<u>16,964</u>	<u>344,273</u>	<u>33,557</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		430,954	131,111	562,065	243,251
NET ASSETS					
		<u>430,954</u>	<u>131,111</u>	<u>562,065</u>	<u>243,251</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	12			430,954	114,856
Restricted funds				<u>131,111</u>	<u>128,395</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>562,065</u>	<u>243,251</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet - continued
At 31 March 2019

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2019.

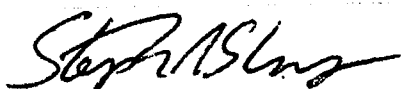
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 28 July 2019 and were signed on its behalf by:



Stephen Lacey -Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2019

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption 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

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Rolling stock	- 5% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 10% on reducing balance
Buildings and grounds etc	- 2% on reducing balance

Heritage assets

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

Plant and machinery etc.	- 5% and 10% on reducing balance
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Stocks

Stock of fuel has been valued at cost.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

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

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.

At a meeting of the trustees on 28th May 2017 it was agreed that the balances on various long outstanding restricted funds be released to finance current expenditure plans.

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

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.19	31.3.18
	£	£
Bank interest	<u>64</u>	<u>6</u>

3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.19	31.3.18
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>5,748</u>	<u>5,889</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2019 nor for the year ended 31 March 2018.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	59,668	16,334	76,002
Investment income	<u>6</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6</u>
Total	59,674	16,334	76,008
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	<u>52,718</u>	<u>7,800</u>	<u>60,518</u>
Total	<u>52,718</u>	<u>7,800</u>	<u>60,518</u>
 NET INCOME	6,956	8,534	15,490

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5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Transfers between funds	<u>8,243</u>	<u>(8,243)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	15,199	291	15,490
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>99,657</u>	<u>128,104</u>	<u>227,761</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>114,856</u>	<u>128,395</u>	<u>243,251</u>

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Rolling stock £	Fixtures and fittings £	Buildings and grounds etc. £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2018	119,239	7,032	18,854	145,125
Additions	<u>3,524</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,524</u>
At 31 March 2019	<u>122,763</u>	<u>7,032</u>	<u>18,854</u>	<u>148,649</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2018	26,501	2,457	2,356	31,314
Charge for year	<u>5,022</u>	<u>396</u>	<u>330</u>	<u>5,748</u>
At 31 March 2019	<u>31,523</u>	<u>2,853</u>	<u>2,686</u>	<u>37,062</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2019	<u>91,240</u>	<u>4,179</u>	<u>16,168</u>	<u>111,587</u>
At 31 March 2018	<u>92,738</u>	<u>4,575</u>	<u>16,498</u>	<u>113,811</u>

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7. HERITAGE ASSETS

	Total £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2018	118,491
Additions	<u>15,892</u>
At 31 March 2019	<u>134,383</u>
PROVISIONS	
At 1 April 2018	23,608
Charge for year	<u>5,570</u>
At 31 March 2019	<u>29,178</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2019	<u>105,205</u>
At 31 March 2018	<u>94,883</u>

8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Shares in group undertakings £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2018 and 31 March 2019	<u>1,000</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2019	<u>1,000</u>
At 31 March 2018	<u>1,000</u>

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

The company's investments at the balance sheet date in the share capital of companies include the following:

Somerset and Dorset Railway Company Limited
Registered office: Within the United Kingdom
Nature of business: Operating trains and running ancillary trading

Class of share:	%
Ordinary "A" shares of £1 each	100

	31.3.19	31.3.18
	£	£
Aggregate capital and reserves	<u>27,850</u>	<u>27,150</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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9. STOCKS

	31.3.19	31.3.18
	£	£
Stock of fuel	<u>600</u>	<u>1,319</u>

10. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.19	31.3.18
	£	£
Trade debtors	5,027	193
Amounts owed by group undertakings	11,429	7,365
Other debtors	<u>4,626</u>	<u>10,974</u>
	<u>21,082</u>	<u>18,532</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.19	31.3.18
	£	£
Trade creditors	6,292	451
Other creditors	-	8,200
Accrued expenses	<u>2,418</u>	<u>3,121</u>
	<u>8,710</u>	<u>11,772</u>

Other creditors includes the sum of £8200 advanced by Members as interest free loans, repayable on demand.

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.18 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.19 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,856	316,098	430,954
Restricted funds			
Carriage & Wagon Fund	7,037	(1,239)	5,798
Museum Fund	1,653	-	1,653
Track and Land Fund	86,587	3,754	90,341
Diesel Fund	8,911	(546)	8,365
Building Fund	(55)	(18)	(73)
Heritage Coaching Stock Fund	11,744	-	11,744
TCL Coach	3,225	(161)	3,064
Toilets	931	-	931
Masbury Appeal Fund	6,709	-	6,709
Masbury Residual Fund	230	-	230
Wickham Trolley Fund	<u>1,423</u>	<u>926</u>	<u>2,349</u>
	128,395	2,716	131,111
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>243,251</u>	<u>318,814</u>	<u>562,065</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	409,766	(93,668)	316,098
Restricted funds			
Track and Land Fund	7,752	(3,998)	3,754
Wickham Trolley Fund	1,050	(124)	926
Carriage & Wagon Fund	-	(1,239)	(1,239)
Diesel Fund	-	(546)	(546)
Building Fund	-	(18)	(18)
TCL Coach	-	(161)	(161)
	<u>8,802</u>	<u>(6,086)</u>	<u>2,716</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>418,568</u>	<u>(99,754)</u>	<u>318,814</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.17 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.18 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	99,657	6,956	8,243	114,856
Restricted Funds				
Carriage & Wagon Fund	20,058	-	(13,021)	7,037
Museum Fund	3,956	(2,303)	-	1,653
Sentinel Fund	2,000	-	(2,000)	-
Track and Land Fund	55,868	12,961	17,758	86,587
Diesel Fund	9,485	(574)	-	8,911
Building Fund	(37)	(18)	-	(55)
Heritage Coaching Stock Fund	28	(1,305)	13,021	11,744
TCL Coach	3,395	(170)	-	3,225
Toilets	931	-	-	931
Masbury Appeal Fund	30,710	-	(24,001)	6,709
Masbury Residual Fund	230	-	-	230
Wickham Trolley Fund	<u>1,480</u>	<u>(57)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,423</u>
	<u>128,104</u>	<u>8,534</u>	<u>(8,243)</u>	<u>128,395</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>227,761</u>	<u>15,490</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>243,251</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	59,674	(52,718)	6,956
Restricted funds			
Museum Fund	-	(2,303)	(2,303)
Track and Land Fund	16,334	(3,373)	12,961
Heritage Coaching Stock Fund	-	(1,305)	(1,305)
Wickham Trolley Fund	-	(57)	(57)
Diesel Fund	-	(574)	(574)
Building Fund	-	(18)	(18)
TCL Coach	-	(170)	(170)
	16,334	(7,800)	8,534
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>76,008</u>	<u>(60,518)</u>	<u>15,490</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.17 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.19 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	99,657	323,054	8,243	430,954
Restricted funds				
Carriage & Wagon Fund	20,058	(1,239)	(13,021)	5,798
Museum Fund	3,956	(2,303)	-	1,653
Sentinel Fund	2,000	-	(2,000)	-
Track and Land Fund	55,868	16,715	17,758	90,341
Diesel Fund	9,485	(1,120)	-	8,365
Building Fund	(37)	(36)	-	(73)
Heritage Coaching Stock Fund	28	(1,305)	13,021	11,744
TCL Coach	3,395	(331)	-	3,064
Toilets	931	-	-	931
Masbury Appeal Fund	30,710	-	(24,001)	6,709
Masbury Residual Fund	230	-	-	230
Wickham Trolley Fund	1,480	869	-	2,349
	<u>128,104</u>	<u>11,250</u>	<u>(8,243)</u>	<u>131,111</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>227,761</u>	<u>334,304</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>562,065</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	469,440	(146,386)	323,054
Restricted funds			
Track and Land Fund	24,086	(7,371)	16,715
Wickham Trolley Fund	1,050	(181)	869
Carriage & Wagon Fund	-	(1,239)	(1,239)
Museum Fund	-	(2,303)	(2,303)
Diesel Fund	-	(1,120)	(1,120)
Building Fund	-	(36)	(36)
Heritage Coaching Stock Fund	-	(1,305)	(1,305)
TCL Coach	-	(331)	(331)
	<u>25,136</u>	<u>(13,886)</u>	<u>11,250</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>494,576</u>	<u>(160,272)</u>	<u>334,304</u>

13. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

In January 2019, the Board agreed to purchase land at a cost of £3000, plus all legal charges, from the estate of Clarice Wells deceased once Probate has been executed.

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The charitable company has taken advantage of exemption, under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', not to disclose related party transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries within the group.

15. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

During the year, the Trust received interim payments in respect of a substantial legacy from the estate of Peter Sainsbury deceased. The trustees have yet to draw down the remainder of the legacy because negotiations still continue with the solicitors acting for the estate for the sale of a final property.

Somerset & Dorset Railway Heritage Trust

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2019

	31.3.19 £	31.3.18 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations		
Covenant from Company	392,541	52,079
Membership fees	10,505	10,509
Use of facilities	12,943	10,877
Sale of scrap	2,515	2,220
	<u>-</u>	<u>317</u>
	418,504	76,002
Investment income		
Bank interest	<u>64</u>	<u>6</u>
Total incoming resources	418,568	76,008
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Marketing and publicity		
Carriage and wagon	986	642
Locomotives	1,548	2,149
Signals and telegraph	4,030	2,485
Buildings and grounds	1,059	4,910
Heat, light and power	2,505	3,567
Water	7,044	7,947
Postage and telephone	919	590
Administration	4,674	5,105
Insurance	5,181	1,098
Membership costs	9,109	9,376
Health and safety	4,468	4,834
Legal and professional charges	703	1,111
Rent	44,393	2,650
Bank charges	601	645
Heritage	305	186
Depreciation	911	2,303
	<u>11,318</u>	<u>10,920</u>
	<u>99,754</u>	<u>60,518</u>
Total resources expended	99,754	60,518
Net income	<u>318,814</u>	<u>15,490</u>

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