

**LORD RYCHE'S ALMSHOUSES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
AND
ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019**

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT for the year ended 31st December 2019

Legal and administrative information

Charity name

The charity is also known by the names Lord Ryche's Almshouses Charity and The Rochford Charities.

Charity Commission registered number

210524

Charity's principal address

The address used for all correspondence is that of the Honorary Secretary, Mrs A Buddle

6 Century Cottages
Rocheway
Rochford
Essex
SS4 1DQ

Governing document

The charity is governed by the regulations set out in the Charity Commissioners' Scheme of 1922 as amended in 1979, 1985 and 2001 which is based on the Will of Lord Ryche of Rochford made in 1571.

Charity's objects

The Charity owns six almshouses for the use and benefit of local, needy and aged tenants.

1. Trustees and governance

Trustees

The current trustees, and those who acted during the year covered by this report are as follows: -

Mr J H Howard	- Chairman	Mr C J Clark	- Trustee
Mr D J Cottis	- Vice-Chairman	Mr C Tabor	- Trustee
Mr J R A Jackson	- Trustee	Mrs F Squier	- Trustee
Mr J P Smoothy	- Treasurer	Mrs J McPherson	- Trustee
Mr R Whittingham	- Trustee		

All the members acted throughout the year ended 31st December 2019.

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2. Activities and achievements

Principal activities

The principal activity of the trust is the provision of long-term housing for six local, needy and aged persons.

Funding strategy

Costs are funded by investment income and a monthly contribution from each tenant.

Maintenance

Maintenance of, and repairs to, the Almshouses is arranged by the Trustees. Costs include exterior window cleaning and gardening.

Achievements in 2019

Despite the sad loss of one tenant during 2019, the Trustees were able to maintain almost full occupancy until the commencement of the planned alterations in the autumn of 2019.

3. Policies

Reserves

The trustees' policy is to maintain income that either exceeds or matches the costs incurred in the operation of the charity.

As at 31st December 2019, unrestricted and restricted reserves totaled £189215 (2018: £119015).

4. Signature and declaration

I declare, in my capacity of charity trustee, that:

- The trustees have approved the Report set out above;
- The trustees have complied with their duty as per section 4 of the 2006 Act to have due regard to guidance on public benefit published by the commission; and
- The trustees have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.



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J P Smoothy – Trustee & Treasurer

For and on behalf of the Trustees of Lord Ryche's Almshouses

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees of Lord Ryche's Almshouses on the Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2019, set out on pages 4 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period and that an independent examination is needed (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)).

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.


Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.


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September 2020

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 December 2019

		2019	2018		
	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £ <i>As restated</i>	Restricted Funds £ <i>As restated</i>
Receipts					
Donations, legacies and other similar receipts	1	64525	-	5035	-
Operating activities					
- to further charity's objects		-	-	-	-
- to generate funds		-	-	-	-
Grants received	2	1177	-	-	51000
Other receipts	3	11100	-	16468	-
Interest and dividends	4	365	-	271	-
		<u>77167</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21774</u>	<u>51000</u>
Payments					
Payments for generating funds					
Charitable payments:					
- grants paid		30	-	-	-
- charitable activities		-	-	-	-
- support costs	5	7860	-	13124	-
- management and administration		2200	-	2275	-
- finance costs		176	-	-	-
Other payments		870	-	-	12724
		<u>11136</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16449</u>	<u>12724</u>
Non-cash movements					
Profit on disposal of investments		4169	-	-	-
Reduction in investment value		-	-	(4781)	-
		<u>4169</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3731)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)					
For period		70200	-	1594	38276
Surplus funds brought forward		88614	30401	87020	(7875)
As at 31 December 2019		<u>158814</u>	<u>30401</u>	<u>88614</u>	<u>30401</u>

The notes on page 5 form part of these accounts

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NOTES TO RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 December 2019

	Notes	2019 Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2018 Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £
1. Donations, legacies and other similar receipts					
Donations					
- restricted		-	-	-	-
- unrestricted		62525	-	3035	-
Legacies		2000	-	2000	-
		<u>64525</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5035</u>	<u>-</u>
2. Grants received					
Rochford District Council		1177	-	51000	-
		<u>1177</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51000</u>	<u>-</u>
3. Other receipts					
Rent contributions		11100	-	16468	-
		<u>11100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16468</u>	<u>-</u>
4. Interest and dividends					
Deposit account interest		286	-	52	-
NS&I interest		27	-	-	-
Dividends		52	-	219	-
		<u>365</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>271</u>	<u>-</u>
5. Support costs					
Utilities		3774	-	4099	-
Insurance		1068	-	810	-
Maintenance		1930	-	8215	-
Council tax		1088	-	-	-
		<u>7860</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13124</u>	<u>-</u>

6. The 2019 Project

Building works to extend the rear of each almshouse commenced in September 2019. The intention is to transform six small bed-sits into six one-bedroomed apartments with modern bathrooms, kitchens and individual heating systems. Costs to date amount to £189520 (2018: £12724).

The first tranche of £96316 of a bank loan of £250000 was received in November 2019.

7. Assets

The trustees do not hold any assets aside from;

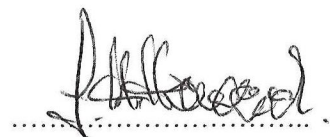
- (1) cash accumulated and held in the bank;
- (2) the freehold land and buildings comprising the six almshouses with a current value of £1,250,000, the cost of which is indeterminable.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES as at 31 December 2019

	2019			2018		
	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted
	£	Funds	Funds	£	Funds	Funds
		£	£		£	£
Assets						
Almshouses improvements	176796	50079	126717			
Investments	-	-	-	46098	46098	-
Cash funds:						
- Current account	96122	96122	-	51927	21526	30401
- Deposit account	12613	12613	-	20990	20990	-
Assets retained for the charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>285531</u>	<u>158814</u>	<u>126717</u>	<u>119015</u>	<u>88614</u>	<u>30401</u>
Liabilities						
Charity bank loan	96316	-	96316	-	-	-
	<u>96316</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>96316</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Signed on behalf of the trustees



J H Howard – Trustee and Chairman