

East Lancashire Masonic Charity



Annual Report and Accounts
For the Year ended 31st December 2016



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INTRODUCTION FROM THE PRESIDENT

As the President of the Charity, I have been privileged to have been active in all the aspects of the ELMC and I never cease to be impressed by the excellent work which is carried out by such a wonderful organisation.

Since we effectively closed our successful 2015 Festival, we have seen the financial support for the ELMC grow dramatically and I wish to place on record my sincere and profound thanks to all those Lodges, Chapters and individuals who have been so generous in the support they have given us. My special thanks must go to Ken Davies and the "Fund Raising Committee" for all their hard work in that regard.



Sir David Trippier
RD, JP, DL

I must also thank the members of "The Grants Committee" whose job it is to disburse our funds in such a responsible way.

The consolidation of the national Masonic Charities into one central organisation under the "Masonic Charitable Foundation" has been successful and widely welcomed. There have been opportunities where that new Charity has provided matched funding to our contributions from the ELMC.

2017 will be our Tercentenary Year, and we will celebrate that significant Birthday in many ways. All of us have pride in being a member of one of the World's oldest Charitable Organisations. That emphasis on Charity has ensured that, through the ELMC, we can certainly say we have made a considerable difference to many organisations, individuals and families within this Province.

As you read this introduction for this 2016 Annual Report, you will recall that, following the horrendous Terrorist Attack at the Manchester Arena on May 22nd, 2017, we acted swiftly to make a significant donation for the families of those who were killed or injured in that attack. Subsequently we were supported by many other Provinces in England and Wales as well as Lodges, Chapters and individual Brethren who were so kind in supporting us in this crisis. The total amount of money we raised was circa £240,000, and I was privileged to present a cheque to the Chairman of the Trustees of the, 'We Love Manchester Emergency Appeal'. This, for me, was a unique and



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heart-warming experience and made me feel very proud to be a Freemason.

In closing, I would like to offer my sincere thanks to Chad Northcott, the Chairman of the ELMC, his Board members, those who sit on the various ELMC Committees and our wonderful ladies in the Welfare Office for their continued efforts on behalf of the Charity. Without their continuing commitment, our Charity could not provide this essential and important work.

Rt. Worshipful Brother Sir David Trippier
President



Sir David with Julie Ward (ELMC Director of Operations) and Charles Ward (Chairman of the Comforts Fund Committee - at ELMC Spring Party, Hewlett Court, April 2016



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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The **East Lancashire Masonic Charity (ELMC)** is a Registered Charity (Registered Number 225151) constituted as a company limited by guarantee (Company Number 79735). It is the principal charity for Freemasons in the Masonic Province of East Lancashire.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES - * Non-Executive

President	Sir David Trippier *	
Deputy President	Derek N. Thornhill *	
Chairman	Chad A Northcott	
Hon. Secretary	Philip J Price	
Hon. Treasurer	Jonathan S. Brownson	
	Steven Barton	(retired 22.09.2016)
	Michael Boden	
	Ken Davies MBE	
	Brian J. Carter	(retired 22.09.16)
	Mark W Davis	
	David Lightbown	(appointed 22.09.2016)
	Robert S. C. Mitchell *	
	William R. Waite *	
	Julie Ward	(appointed 22.09.2016)



ELMC Board of Directors 2016



REGISTERED OFFICE:	Hewlett Court Newcombe Road, Ramsbottom, Bury, BL0 9XJ
AUDITORS:	Percy Westhead & Company Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors Greg's Buildings 1 Booth Street Manchester M2 4AD
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MANAGEMENT:	
Director of Operations:	Mrs Julie Ward
Administrative Officer:	Mrs Karen Hall
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SUBSIDIARY COMPANY:	The East Lancashire Masonic Hall Company Limited (a wholly owned Subsidiary of the ELMC)



STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The ELMC was incorporated on the 13th January 1904. The Provincial Grand Master of the Masonic Province of East Lancashire is a non-Executive Director and President of the Charity. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master is also a non-Executive Director and the Deputy President. The business and affairs of the Charity are directed by the Board of Directors/Trustees in accordance with the Articles of Association, and managed on a day to day basis by the Operations Director, Julie Ward, and part-time Administrative Officer, Karen Hall.

Voting Members, known as Representative Members, are appointed by each Lodge and Chapter of the Masonic Province of East Lancashire. Any person may become an “Individual Member” of the ELMC at the discretion of the Board providing they make a contribution of at least £60 per annum. These Members are entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting and to receive a copy of the Annual Report, but at the AGM are not entitled to cast a vote.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES

The Board of the ELMC comprises:

The President who shall act in a non-Executive capacity

The Deputy President who shall act in a non-Executive capacity

The Chairman of the Charity

The Secretary of the Charity

The Treasurer of the Charity

The Chairman of the Benevolent Committee

The Chairman of the Community Fund Committee (renamed to The Grants Committee on 21/09/2015)

The Chairman of the Hewlett Court Advisory Committee

The Provincial Grand Almoner

The Provincial Grand Charity Steward

Three non-Executive Directors including the Chairman of the Museum Committee, with an option for a total of up to five non-Executive Directors.

The President, the Deputy President, the Provincial Grand Almoner and the Provincial Grand Charity Steward are all ex-officio Members of the Board, other Members are elected at each Annual General Meeting.



Induction and Training of Members of the Board:

Upon appointment or election to the Board, new Members receive the following:

- 1 Information explaining the extent of the involvement required.
- 2 A copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company.
- 3 Copies of the most recent Annual Report and Accounts/Statement of Trustees' responsibilities.
- 4 An explanation of membership of the Board.
- 5 Copy of the Charity Commissioner's Guide to the responsibilities of a Charity Trustee.
- 6 Copies of the minutes of previous meetings of the Board.

The Board appoints Committees, which are approved at the Annual General Meeting each year, to consider and make recommendations to it for the management of the Charity. The appointed Committees are:

The Committee of Benevolence consists of a representative of each of the Districts in the Masonic Province of East Lancashire together with other members nominated by the President or the Board. The role of the committee is to determine the provision of charitable assistance to needy Freemasons, their widows or other dependent relatives. The Committee of Benevolence operates two Sub-Committees – the Comforts Fund Committee and Young People's Committee. Much of the work of the Benevolence Committee is coordinated with the Freemasons' Grand Charity in London, to whom petitions are submitted for consideration.

Hewlett Court Advisory Committee whose responsibility is to offer professional support and guidance to the Director of Operations and Manager.

The Grants Committee supports non-Masonic charities and other good causes that are proposed by Lodges and Districts within the Province of East Lancashire. It also supports direct applications made to it by charities and good causes. It encourages the active involvement of Freemasons within their local communities.

The Fund Raising Committee has a responsibility to oversee a clear Marketing, Communication and Fund Raising strategy across the Province.

The Investment Committee. The investment policy is to maximise the long term return on the Charity's Investment funds, subject to the risks normally associated with a balanced approach to portfolio management. The Charity does not restrict itself to any particular category of investment. The performance of the funds is measured against appropriate benchmark indices. The sub-committee monitors the Charity's investments at regular meetings with advice taken from W H Ireland Ltd, its Stockbroker.



OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Charity is the central vehicle for the delivery of Masonic charity and care on behalf of Freemasons in East Lancashire. It augments the charitable work of Freemasons in their Lodges and Districts by supporting those in need within the wider Masonic “family”, eligible projects which benefit local communities and other good causes.

The specific objectives for which the Charity is established are:

- 1 The relief of poverty by the provision help and assistance to needy Freemasons, or their widows or any other of their dependent relatives, living predominantly but not exclusively in East Lancashire.
- 2 The education of children of needy or deceased Masons.
- 3 To make grants in cash or kind for the purpose of relieving the immediate and pressing needs of Freemasons or their families who live predominantly, but not exclusively, in East Lancashire.
- 4 To provide help and assistance to other charitable and good causes for the general benefit of the public or communities situated predominately, but not exclusively, in the East Lancashire area.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

ACTIVITIES OF THE YEAR

The core activity of this Charity, since its inception over one hundred years ago, has been to support and care for the less fortunate within our Masonic and the extended community. The number of beneficiaries supported by the Committee of Benevolence and the Welfare Office was 707 in this financial year. In addition to the time given freely by Almoners, Charity Stewards and many other committed Freemasons, the financial value of the grants and support to East Lancashire beneficiaries in 2016 consisted of £93,090 from the ELMC and a further £498,716 (supporting 185 beneficiaries) from the Masonic Charitable Foundation (financial support £120,970, education £122,344, health £82,646 and residential care £172,756).



The ELMC Grants Committee is now well established and is giving financial support to projects, often in which Freemasons are actively involved, bringing benefits which improve the quality of life in local communities. It continues to make grants to local charities and good causes where comparatively small contributions make a considerable difference. In 2016 the Fund received 43 applications (in 2015 - 25 applications were received) and approved grants to 37 organisations (in 2015 – 23 were approved) totalling £57,169 (2015 - £31,524).

Other ELMC donations include £9,000 (Masonic) and £4,262 (non-Masonic).

Hewlett Court, the sheltered accommodation owned and operated by the Charity, continues to provide a happy and nurturing environment for its residents, with a capacity of a maximum of 44 residential places.

Julie Ward, Operations Director for ELMC and Hewlett Court, continues with the management of the day to day activity of the Charity from her base at Hewlett Court.

During the year the membership of the Board and its various committees has been considered and the governance of the constituent parts of the Charity has been kept under review. As reported in previous years we continue to monitor the governance of the Charity and risk management at all levels of the operation. This annual report provides more detail on the activities of the individual components of the charity.

To keep updated on all ELMC activities, please visit our website. www.elmc.co.uk



**The Royal Manchester
Children's Hospital
"Wall of Fame"**

**ELMC listed prominently
amongst the Benefactors**



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THE COMMITTEE OF BENEVOLENCE

David Lightbown	Chairman
Jeff Ward	Deputy Chairman (Burnley and Pendle)
Philip J Price	ELMC Ho. Secretary
Mark W Davis	Provincial Grand Almoner
J Ken Davies MBE	Provincial Grand Charity Steward
Charles Ward	Chairman, Comforts Fund Committee

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

Peter D Whitnall	Bury
Malcolm Hearsey	Bolton
Alston Hall	Rochdale
Brian Reynolds	Ashton & Mossley
David Platt	Oldham
Francis Salt	East Ribble
Paul Waring	Audenshaw
Alan Potts	Salford
Elliott Moss	Manchester Districts
Julie Ward	ELMC Director of Operations

The Committee of Benevolence (COB) meets monthly throughout the year to consider petitions brought to them by the Provincial Welfare Office, Almoners or other concerned Brethren on behalf of Freemasons, their family and dependants who are thought to be in need, for either financial assistance or other forms of support. Whilst financial assistance is the main form of support other factors are taken into consideration where appropriate. Assistance is also considered for home repairs or household appliances and any special needs equipment to help improve the quality of life, with each case being considered on its merit.

All applications for support are considered first by the COB and, where appropriate, are submitted to the Masonic Charitable Foundation (MCF) for further consideration. In the last year, the MCF supported our Beneficiaries with a sum of £498,716, with additional support given by the ELMC of £51,995 inclusive of Birthday and Christmas Gifts.



The total number of beneficiaries for 2016 were 707, comprising 91 Widows, 19 Brethren, 29 Married Couples, 3 Spinsters, 1 Bachelor, 54 Young People, 36 Residents of Hewlett Court, and 474 Widows of Closed Lodges; due to the unfortunate closure of Lodges the latter figure has increased considerably since the previous report in 2015.

During 2016 there were 30 New Petitions for financial support, 86 cases were reviewed and 7 were made new Beneficiaries of the Charity.

Although the Committee of Benevolence meets monthly to consider petitions, we also aim to react as quickly as possible to any request for immediate assistance which are received, with each case being considered on its merit. The Chairman works closely with both the Provincial Grand Almoner and Provincial Grand Charity Steward, all supported by Julie Ward and Karen Hall, with such emergency cases being ratified at the next COB meeting.

The appointment of the Provincial Welfare Officers and their knowledge of the Government Welfare system has enabled petitions for support to be processed in a much quicker manner than previously.

I would like to offer thanks to my predecessor Steven Barton for all his hard work during his time as Chairman since 2013, I would also like to offer sincere thanks to Julie and Karen at Hewlett Court for the help and support they have offered to help me settle in to my new role, not forgetting of course all the members of the Committee and the Provincial Welfare Team for their dedication and support.

2016

**The Benevolence
Committee looks after the
needs of 707 beneficiaries**



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COMFORTS FUND COMMITTEE

Charles B Ward	Chairman
David Lightbown	Deputy Chairman
Ray Christian	
Dennis Gilmore	
Mahtarr Samba	
Julie Ward	ELMC Director of Operations

Spring Party

The Comforts Fund Committee organised the annual Spring Party at Middleton Masonic Hall on Thursday 14th April 2016. The event was supported by the President of the ELMC, Sir David Trippier and his wife, along with a number of Officers of the ELMC and Assistant Provincial Grand Masters and their partners.

WBro Charles Ward and his Committee members greeted almost 100 guests of the Charity. There were also a number of residents from Hewlett Court in attendance.

The afternoon commenced with a tea and biscuits reception followed by a three-course dinner. After dinner entertainment was provided by Barry Jackson who sang a selection of songs as well as playing the flute and saxophone.

During the evening, the committee members and officers circulated and chatted with the guests. Each guest was presented with a gift to remember the evening. An excellent evening was enjoyed by all.

The ELMC Spring Party

**In 2016 almost 100 guests
were welcomed to
Middleton Masonic Hall
by WBro Charles Ward,
members of his
committee and Officers
of the ELMC**



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Annual Holiday

The ELMC Comforts Fund Committee arranged for the Annual Holiday for 2016 to take place from 28th May to 4th June 2016, once again, at the Clifton Park Hotel, St Anne's on Sea. This venue becomes more and more popular each year resulting in fifty-five widows and Brethren of the Province attending the holiday along with the Comforts Fund Chairman, WBro Charles Ward and Julie Ward.

The group departed from Hewlett Court where a tea/coffee reception was provided followed by a wonderful buffet lunch, prepared by our resident Cooks Melanie and Mariya. A glass of wine [or two] was also enjoyed prior to departure for St Anne's. It was such a wonderful atmosphere with both Residents and holiday attendees mixing together.

On Thursday 2nd June, a day trip was arranged for afternoon tea at the Grange Hotel, Grange over Sands. The Hotel was spectacular and the staff looked after the group extremely well. The weather was glorious and an excellent day was had by all. On Saturday 4th June, we returned to Hewlett Court for a light lunch before saying our goodbyes, until the next time we met in September for the Autumn Outing. As always, the food, facilities and staff at the hotel were fantastic with the added bonus of the glorious sunshine for the full week.

The Brethren of East Lancashire should be very proud of the work that they do to enable the Charity to fund such events.

Autumn Outing

The Comforts Fund Committee continued their yearly programme of events with an Autumn Day Out which took place on Wednesday 14th September 2016. The day commenced at 9.30am where 30 guests, together with the Comforts Fund Committee Chairman, arrived at Hewlett Court for a tea and biscuits reception. The coach departed at around 10.15am to depart for Cheshire Oaks.

After an excellent "shopping experience" the group was taken to Christleton Masonic Hall for Lunch. A three course meal was provided with wine in a very picturesque setting. The weather was also warm and sunny allowing everyone to sit outside after lunch prior to the return journey.

The Comforts Fund Committee aims to provide a 'special' day out to be enjoyed by all our beneficiaries. Many of our guests just enjoy meeting up with old friends once again.



THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Roger Tinker	Chairman
Dennis Heskett	
Edward Smethurst	
Paul Doran	
Gary O'Neill	
Richard Riley	
Raymond P Evans	
Christophen Creelman	
Julie Ward	ELMC Director of Operations

Each beneficiary of the Royal Masonic Trust for Boys and Girls who has a Masonic connection in the Province of East Lancashire automatically receives additional support from the YPC. Our aim is to build upon the work of the RMTGB by creating a community where the beneficiaries are able to meet with others who have experienced similar life changing events.

By organising a number of events each year, the YPC provide a forum where the Young Persons can take part in a range of activities and meet in an informal social gathering. The parent / guardians are also invited to attend these events enabling them to share experiences and possible solutions.

We try to host six events each year. The events are normally held during the school holidays, seeking to provide the Young Persons with activities that they would not normally be able to participate in. In 2016, we organised six events: Chill Factore, Sale Sharks, Mama Mia, Harry Potter World, Cadbury World, and Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.

Chill Factore 5th April 2016

On the 5th April, we visited the Chill Factore. Ten young people accepted our invite to gain or further hone their skills on the slopes of Trafford Park. Everybody arrived on time to be kitted out for a one o'clock start. The group had a mix of skills, some members having attended previous sessions and those making their first visit. After being introduced to our coordinator for the event, Jen, the group were assigned to the relevant instructor dependent upon ability. There were a few spills, collisions and falls, during the two hour session but no real harm done. After the skiing and snowboarding the participants, accompanied by one of the parents, faced the challenge of the wall climb.



Nandos' is opposite the climbing wall and is always chosen by the young people for the evening meal. After taking the order, which seems to have an endless list of options, whatever happened to a simple question "salt and vinegar?", the meals were served and devoured before all of the attendees were collected by parents or transported home by a YPC member.

Sale Sharks v Montpellier 8th April 2016

We were fortunate to be offered tickets to the Sale Sharks v Montpellier game at the A. J. Bell Stadium on the 8th April. The tickets were donated by Ian Blackhurst, one of the owners of Sale Sharks. Ian had provided his private box and suite for our use on the night. Two of the Sale Sharks team joined us for the game, Mark Cueto and Josh Charnley. After posing for numerous "selfies" everybody settled down to watch the match. Sale lost, but it did not diminish the excitement of the night. In the words of one of the beneficiaries who attended, Isaac (whose full report on the night is on the ELMC website:

"A lot of us came to the game (ha that rhymes) including myself and granddad who live for the game. We were really surprised when we found out that our tickets said "West stand box". It was such a great experience and we are so thankful for getting this opportunity. Thank you to all those who helped get the tickets, was a game I will never forget."

Mamma Mia 1st June 2016

When the YPC sent out invitations asking if the Young People wanted to come to a performance of Mama Mia the response was a resounding "I do, I do, I do, I do, I do". On the 1st June sixteen Young People accompanied by a parent / guardian met at the Peking Court, Princess Street to enjoy a buffet meal. When everybody had eaten and "When all is said and done", it was time to walk round to the Palace Theatre in time to take our seats before the performance.

The show was fantastic it was like being in a "Dream World". Everybody was enthusiastic in their enjoyment of the singing and dancing. The first act passed too quickly. After an ice cream at the interval everyone was, 'as good as new', and ready and eager for the second act. At the finale, everybody was on their feet and ready to 'dance (while the music still goes on)'.

At the end of the show, with everybody feeling that they had won their own 'Waterloo', it was time say goodbye, 'the way old friends do'.



Harry Potter World at Warner Bros Studios 3rd August 2016

At 07.45 on the 3rd August sixteen Young Persons, eight parent / guardians and four committee members met at Manchester Piccadilly Station to take the 08.15 train to Milton Keynes. We had to leave from Platform 6, there isn't a 9¾ at Piccadilly. On joining the train the Hogwarts quiz papers were handed out. Our party divided themselves into groups and with much rivalry, and attempts at giving out disinformation, the teams set about completing the task. The ninety minute journey to Milton Keynes passed quickly. After a coach ride from Milton Keynes Central we arrived at Warner Bros. Studios, Leavesden, shortly before 11.00.

The Harry Potter Studio Tour includes visits to the actual film sets used in making the films. Visitors are shown how the special effects, that made the films so successful, were made. After a brief introduction and explanation of how the films came to be made our tour group entered the Hogwarts Great Hall and then on to a series of magical sets including the Potions Lab, Dumbledore's Study, the Gryffindor Common Room and many more. Also on display was a wide range of Broomsticks and other essential equipment for a young wizard. Half way through the Tour it was time to take lunch and a glass of Butterbeer.

The second part of the tour includes more film sets including Diagon Alley and Privet Drive amongst others. One of the exhibits that causes a sharp intake of breath is the magnificent model of Hogwarts Castle built for the films. The exhibit shows the skills and detail used by the model makers.

It was soon the witching hour of 15.45, time to take the coach back to Milton Keynes. The coach dropped the party off outside Zizzi's restaurant in the Hub. Following the meal, it was a brisk walk back to Milton Keynes Central to catch the return train to Manchester. The prizes for the team winners of the quiz, set earlier in the day, were made. Arriving back at 20.30. After everybody had said their farewells and their transport home had arrived it was the end of a day many will remember always.

Cadbury's World 27th October 2016

On Thursday 27th October 09.30 am, thirteen Young People and six parents / guardians met with three members of the YPC to begin their journey to Bournville. The Young People hadn't found a "Golden Ticket" in the Wonka Bar they had received after accepting the invitation from the YPC to join them on a trip to Cadbury World.

The journey began at Manchester Piccadilly Station, taking the train to Birmingham



New Street then onto Bournville. When everybody had taken their seats the Chocolate Quiz questionnaires were distributed. The next action, of everybody, was to access the internet, via the on board Wi-Fi, for the answers. After a delayed start at Manchester we arrived at Bournville on time. Cadbury World is a short walk from the station.

Cadbury World is a theme park, based in part of the Cadbury factories that are Bournville. The experience starts with a history of chocolate and then moves onto the founding of Cadbury's, its creation of Bournville and the values held by the founders. Other zones include manufacturing, packaging, chocolate making, Purple Planet, 4D Chocolate Experience and an Adventure Play area. Samples are available during the tour. After four hours in Cadbury World the group met and returned to Bournville station.

Our first stop, Birmingham New Street and Grand Central, the shopping and entertainment centre located above New Street station. We had reservation at Carluccio's restaurant. Good food together with good service refreshed the energy levels and allowed extra time for some to visit the shops.

Our return train at 19.57 was late departing but made up the time arriving in Manchester five minutes late. The quiz questionnaire was marked and the winners awarded their prizes.

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang 30th December 2016

The YPC Christmas event was held on the 30th December 2016. Seventeen Young People, accompanied by fourteen parents / guardians, joined some of the committee members and their wives to see Chitty Chitty Bang Bang at the Lyric Theatre, in the Lowry Centre. The show, starring Jason Manford, Phil Jupitus and Claire Sweeney, was brilliant. The story had everybody laughing and the stage effects were amazing. At the end of the show it was a short walk within the Lowry to the Hexagon Bridge and Room that the committee had booked for the group to have a festive meal and party.

Once the Young People had organised themselves into who was sitting where, and had put down the card with their menu selection, dinner service began. After the first course, 'Huggy', aka WBro Kevin Hawley, began taking requests for Karaoke. This group did not need cajoling or encouraging. Everybody wanted to be included. Karaoke continued throughout the meal service, after which everybody took to the dance floor.

At the end of the party it was time for goodbyes well-wishing for the New Year and hopes that everybody progressed at school or college during the next year.

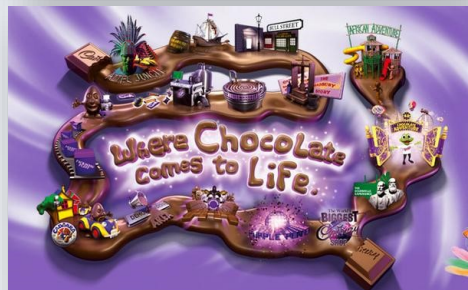


**Spot the Bear at the
Chill Factor**

April 2016



Cadbury World



**Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
and Mama Mia—that
bear gets everywhere!**



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THE GRANT MAKING COMMITTEE

Chad Northcott	Chairman	
Sir David Trippier	President	
Derek Thornhill	Deputy President	
Brian J Carter	Provincial Grand Almoner	
J Ken Davies MBE	Provincial Grand Charity Steward	
Peter Faulkner		
David Lightbown		
David Dunn		(appointed 22.9.16)
Gerry Russell	Communications Liaison Officer	
Mark W Davis	ELMC Honorary Secretary	
Karen Hall	Secretary	

The Grants Committee considered 43 applications for funding during 2016; 37 grants were approved totalling £57,160. This was an increase of 18 applications over the previous year (when £31,524 was dispersed). There is increasing engagement with our local communities across the Province, and we are actively encouraging Districts, lodges and individuals to make greater use of the fund, to help them connect with their local communities and develop positive public relations as we approach the tercentenary of Freemasonry in 2017. We now also receive direct applications for funding from other charities and good causes, most of which we can refer to the Districts to seek their approval before proceeding. This gives the local team the opportunity to capitalise on the donation opportunity and, in many cases, offer hands on support too. From its launch in 2006 the Fund has approved grants to a total of £430,849.26.

Across the Province, the Grants Committee has continued to support the Teddies for Loving Care Initiative, providing teddies to help calm anxious children in A&E units and Family Courts. They have also been used in hospices to maintain a link between children and their relative, who have a bear each.

The Committee has a stable and experienced membership. During 2016 implementation of the ELMC 'Forward Strategy' began. The ELMC Grants Committee has greater remit and limits of authority than its predecessor, the Community Fund. It now considers all applications for non-Masonic support and financial assistance, seeking sanction from the Board for any Grants it seeks to approve that are in excess of £5,000. The criteria used for approval of awards are wider arranging than hitherto, sitting comfortably within the definitions of charitable causes defined by the Charity Commission.



A complete list of approved Grants is maintained and displayed on the ELMC website. Supported initiatives are regularly communicated on social media channels and well reported in the Media, by both the Freemasons and the good causes and charities we support. We continue to audit the recipients of approved Grants to ensure our funds are utilised for the purpose they have been given, and to obtain further publicity, both for the good of Freemasonry and the Charity.

The role of the ELMC Grants Committee and its donations cannot be understated, for publicising the Charity and the Province in our local areas. We aim to contribute to raising the profile of both Freemasonry and the ELMC, portraying a positive image, positively changing the perceptions and understanding of Freemasonry, and attracting new members to the fraternity.



**The Grants Committee meets 4 to 6 times per year to consider
Grant Applications to non-masonic charities and good causes
benefitting our East Lancashire Communities**



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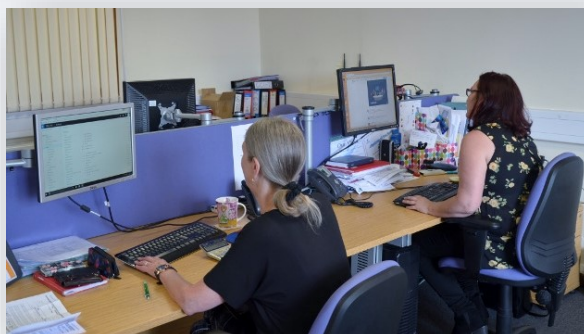
2016 grants are listed on the ELMC website and include:



£1000 to Bury Amateur Boxing Club



£3000 to Growing Wild to fund a Poly Tunnel



£1000 to Outreach for Laptops and Monitors



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HEWLETT COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dr Michael Boden
Ian Whitehead
John Hudson
Julie Ward
Peter Jones
David Garnett
Geoffrey Baillie
Chris Wildman

Chairman
Deputy Chairman
Secretary
Director of Operations

There has been a continuing programme of works at Hewlett Court with which the Advisory Committee have been engaged with. The Committee offers a wide range of skills and knowledge which is invaluable in supporting Julie and the Management Team with the day to day running of Hewlett Court.

The Committee held two meetings with the Representatives of the Residents and I am pleased to report that the feedback was very good.

Beverley Schofield, the Hewlett Court Manager and Rachel Cookson, Team Leader have completed level 5 Diploma in Management and Leadership (photo right)

Chris Wildman has taken over as the Treasurer at Hewlett Court and reports that Hewlett Court appears to be in good health, financially.

I wish to thank Julie, Beverley, Zena and all the Staff at Hewlett Court for making it a happy and successful home for the Residents, along with Charles Ward and his happy band of men who run the Comfort Fund, and not forgetting the Friends of Hewlett Court for all their efforts. Finally, I thank the Members of the Committee for their support over the past twelve months.



Hewlett Court 2016

In traditional Hewlett Court style, we waved goodbye to 2015 with a party for the Residents and welcomed in 2016, with a hearty breakfast accompanied by bucks fizz and a few hangovers!!

The first few months into the year were a busy year at Hewlett Court, the waiting list stood at fourteen people and we were running at full occupancy.

The events diary was full with outings and in-house entertainment organised by the "Friends" Committee and the Management Team. There was a party to celebrate Melanie Ard's 25 years of service as the Cook at Hewlett Court in early February, involving Residents and Staff.

Other activities involved Valentines Day celebrations, curry nights, a Body Shop Party, GO's on Tour, Residents' significant Birthday celebrations, Singers, cinema nights, a MacMillan Coffee Morning, visits by the children of Holcombe Brook Primary School and an afternoon tea for the Queens Birthday. There are also Residents' meetings held throughout the year enabling every Resident to have their say.

The established ELMC Annual Holiday set off from Hewlett Court in May, the holiday makers enjoyed a lovely buffet prior to boarding the coach for a week in the St Anne's sun.

A trip to Blackpool Lights on a double decker bus took place on 20th September with a fish and chip supper. This was a very eventful, but enjoyable occasion.

Bonfire Night was a success as usual, with a fantastic firework display, Residents, staff, families and the local community all joined in to appreciate the night. It was explosive!!

The Annual Christmas Fair, which took place at the end of November, was a brilliant day. The money raised went back into the Comforts fund for the benefit of all the Residents. The Residents embraced a day of hustle and bustle and a super time was had.

Just prior to Christmas the Dining Room was refurbished and all the Residents were over the moon with the results. A legacy from a past Resident contributed to the costs.



Christmas at Hewlett Court is always a fantastic atmosphere. On 8th December the Residents were invited to Bury Football Club for the “Winter Wonderland” afternoon tea. Leading up to Christmas there were quizzes, carols, Christmas bingo and the Bury Veterans Choir.

As is tradition, we held the Christmas and New Years Eve Parties; the Residents certainly know how to party. There was a family feel at the Christmas lunch. The new tables were put together to make two long tables headed by Julie Ward and Charles Ward.

Many of the ELMC Committees' now hold regular meetings at Hewlett Court and the Residents enjoy seeing visitors and now familiar faces.

The Management Team and Staff strive to achieve yet another successful year ahead.



Hewlett Court





Lunch time at Hewlett Court, with the Advisory Committee



Christmas at Hewlett Court



INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

John Scott	Chairman
Ian Connor	Secretary
Jonathan Brownson	ELMC Hon Treasurer
Derek Calrow	
David Rothburn	

The Investment Committee meets on a regular basis to review the portfolio of investments, and aims to achieve a balance of capital appreciation and income return. In the financial year, the value of our investments increased after allowing for capital injections. Income during the period increased marginally, and the total return remained positive at 3%.

CHARITY STEWARDS COMMITTEE

Chairman	J. Ken Davies (Provincial Grand Charity Steward)
City Derby	Tony Stephenson
City Sykes	Steven Thomson
Salford	Dennis Schiff
Ashton & Mossley	Alan S. Jones
Audenshaw	Nigel Johnson
Oldham	Steve Graham
Rochdale	Ken Greer
Bolton	Kirk Mulhearn
Bury	Steven Holland
East Ribble	Michael David Stubbs
Burnley & Pendle	Walter Coupe

During 2016, we have seen just two changes in representation (City Derby and Burnley and Pendle) and we would like to place on record our sincere thanks to the retiring Officers for their valued contributions and wish them well in their future Masonic endeavours. A warm welcome to the newly appointed District Charity Stewards and we look forward to you taking an important role in communicating and promoting charitable giving, via the Lodges and Chapters in the Province of East Lancashire. Giving to Charity will always be a priority and communication is so vital in assuring that every Brother and Companion has a full understanding of what the ELMC does and how we can support it. Please promote the ELMC at every opportunity and help us to care for needy Freemasons, their Widows or Dependent Relatives and to reach out to those in our local Communities who are so deserving of our charitable support.



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ELMC FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

J Ken Davies MBE	Chairman
Philip J Price	Vice Chairman
Chad Northcott	
Julie Ward	Director of Operations
Gerry Russell	Communications
Nigel Johnson	
Steve Graham	
Terry Kakoullis	
Dave McGurty	
Chris Wildman	
John Thornhill	
Ian Paul	
Dennis Schiff	
Paul Sellers	Secretary

The ELMC Fundraising Committee is now very much up and running and the members are really encouraged to make it work for the benefit of our Charity. Two excellent ELMC Presentations are now available for use throughout the Province and the Committee are working closely with the District Charity Stewards, who will play a 'key role' in this regard. Earlier in the year 'An Evening with the ELMC' was organised by the Committee, which was most successful and very positively received by all those attending. In addition, a new Fundraising Page has been produced for the ELMC Website, thereby encouraging Brethren, Family and Friends to donate as 'Friends of the ELMC'. Two new forms are now available, 'Making A Donation' and 'The ELMC Grant Application Form', which have both been distributed throughout the Province. We also have a new 'ELMC Friend' Membership Card for both existing and recently joined Brethren. Have you got yours yet? We believe the new Forms and Cards complement each other and provide the right image for the future of the ELMC. The use of Social Media and the importance of communication in general regularly feature in discussions at our Meetings. We have also completed some initial planning of Fundraising articles, promoting 'The Friends' membership and Legacy Giving for the proposed new ELMC Brochure.

During the year, we held our first very productive joint Meeting of the District Charity Stewards and ELMC Fundraising Committee. All present contributed to a very positive open discussion which covered many interesting topics and illustrated the importance of regular two-way communication in the future. These joint meetings will now be held on an annual basis.



We are also pleased to report that 'District Evenings with the ELMC' are now regularly happening throughout the Province. Closer links have recently been established with the Masonic Charitable Foundation, who asked if we would represent them locally, relevant to their Grants awarded to deserving Charities. We duly attended and were pleased to present Certificates and discuss their varied Projects with the chosen Charities.

The first 'Friend's Draw' occurred at Provincial Grand Lodge in November and a photo shoot with the lucky winner quickly followed. It is planned to hold three Draws during the Masonic year in future.

Both the ELMC Fundraising Committee and the District Charity Stewards Committee are fully committed to assisting our Charity to move forward, particularly with relevance to the many varied opportunities offered at this present time.

We are continually grateful to all the ELMC Committees for the excellent work they all do each year on behalf of our Beneficiaries and those less fortunate than ourselves. The core activities of the Charity revolve around the Committee of Benevolence, the Comforts Fund Committee, Young People's Committee, the Grants Committee and the Hewlett Court Management and Advisory Committee and are fully recorded earlier. Their assistance in kindly supporting the District Charity Stewards and the new Fundraising Committee to communicate the message of charity is so much appreciated.

Our sincere thanks to the Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Board of Directors of the ELMC for their assistance, guidance and support at all times. A special 'Thank You' to the Welfare Team, Julie Ward and Karen Hall and the Staff at Hewlett Court for the ongoing wonderful part they all play in providing regular back up for our charitable efforts.

The Province continues to promote and support the ELMC as the principle recipient of our charitable giving from the Brethren and Lodges. Now assisted by both the District Charity Stewards and the Fundraising Committee, it is planned that the financial position of our own Charity will be secured for the foreseeable future. We will certainly continue to value your full support and involvement at all times. Thank you.



FUTURE PLANS

The core activities of the Charity continue to revolve around caring for our beneficiaries through the Committee of Benevolence, the Comforts Fund, Young Peoples Committee, and the Hewlett Court Advisory Committees. The activities of each of these groups have been fully recorded previously in this booklet. These remain the most important areas of our activity and will continue to be our priority in the year ahead.

The new ELMC Fund Raising Committee is committed to encouraging donations to the Charity and has performed sterling work during 2016, helping to boost income from £115,326 in 2015 to £242,420 in 2016. This work will continue into 2017 to ensure the financial position of the Charity is secured and provide a healthy platform to meet the demands of our core activities and provide for increased charitable giving.

The Grants Committee will continue to receive applications, consider and make grants to Non-Masonic Charities. In this respect, the Charity has implemented forward strategy after undertaking a complete review of its operational guidelines during 2015, in a bid to encourage applications from the Brethren, Lodges and Districts, with the aim of helping to support our local communities and to raise the profile of Freemasonry. Our funds come from Freemasons, so the more support the charity gives to the Province the better it is for the charity.

2017 will be the Tercentenary Celebration Year for Freemasonry – 300 years since the formation of the first Grand Lodge. This is an excellent opportunity for the Province of East Lancashire to promote itself to our local communities, improve public relations and attract new members. The ELMC will maintain its strong relationship with the Province. This is essential to maintain contact with beneficiaries, gain and support new beneficiaries, and to promote the Charity itself, amongst our members and the wider community.

We will be reviewing and developing the communications strategy and plan for the ELMC and Hewlett Court, which will also support marketing and promotional activities. This will also aid the Province with recruitment.

The ongoing investment and refurbishment within Hewlett Court will continue to ensure that the excellent standard of facilities and service provided for the residents are maintained.



FINANCIAL REVIEW AND RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The reports and accompanying financial statements reflect the reporting requirements 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 1st January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Companies Act 2006, and the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The Charity's unrestricted total incoming resources was £1,242,487 in the year, compared with £1,905,729 in the previous year, a decrease of £663,242, whereas its costs decreased from £1,162,794 to £992,933, resulting in a surplus of £249,554 in the year compared with a surplus of £742,935 in 2015. The 2015 results included a gain of £906,280 from the disposal of Freemasons' Hall. Other gains and losses relate to movement in investments and show net gains of £164,758 compared with net gains of £57,706 in the previous year, thus the Charity's total unrestricted net assets have increased by £408,512 to £4.63 million.

It is the opinion of the Board that the Charity is in sound financial position and has sufficient assets and resources to enable it to continue to carry out its objectives as laid out on page 10.

THE CHARITY'S INCOME

The charity's total unrestricted income has decreased by £663,242 due mainly to the recognition of a £906,280 gain on disposal of Freemasons' Hall in the previous year. The decrease has been mitigated by increases to income from donations, legacies and income received by Hewlett Court. Legacy income increased by £147,882 to £168,382, for which we are grateful for the generosity of our departed Brothers. Donations from Freemasons, their Lodges and Chapters increased by £114,705. Investment income also increased to £71,304 from £69,621 in the previous year.

The legacies received during the year of £168,382 being:

M Glass	£100,000
K Hilton	£67,632
J Moyse	£750



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The total return from investments during the year was:

	2016	2015
	£	£
Investment income	71,255	69,591
Bank interest	49	30
Realised (losses) / gains on sale of investments	(2,748)	(2,790)
	<hr/> 68,556	<hr/> 66,831
Unrealised gains on investments	168,382	61,218
	<hr/> 236,938	<hr/> 128,049

The value of the investment portfolio has increased by £286,911 following investment changes in the year and an increase in underlying values. Your Investment Committee continues to monitor the position very closely.

A list of all donations made during the year is shown on pages 52 –54.

THE CHARITY'S EXPENDITURE

Costs of the Charity, have generally been contained (note 7). Property expenses have decreased significantly from £256,463 to £29,477 following the sale last year of Freemasons' Hall. An increase in room rates and continued high occupancy has resulted in an operating profit of £109,409 for Hewlett Court compared to £87,464 in the previous year and the depreciation charge has increased to £36,513 from £32,866.

HEWLETT COURT

As mentioned earlier in the report, occupancy rates improved during the year to full occupancy at the end of the year.

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Hewlett Court

	2016	2015
	£	£
Receipts from Residents, Staff and shop	646,174	619,309
Donations	18,176	8,197
	<hr/> 664,350	<hr/> 627,506
Less: Running costs	(554,941)	(540,042)
<u>Operating Profit/(Loss)</u>	<hr/> 109,409	<hr/> 87,464
Depreciation	(36,513)	(32,866)
Contribution ex ELMC	<hr/> 72,896	<hr/> 54,598

BALANCE SHEET

In the opinion of the Board the market value of the land and buildings is considerably greater than the book value. In view of the specialised nature of these assets, the Board considers that it is inappropriate to determine the market value. The total reserves of the Charity are £4,676,125 at the end of the financial year.

INVESTMENT POLICY AND PERFORMANCE

The present investment policy is to maximise the long term total return of the Charity's investment funds, subject to the risks normally associated with a balanced portfolio Management. The Charity does not restrict itself to any particular category of investment. The performance of the funds is measured against appropriate benchmark indices and during the year the result has exceeded all those benchmarks. The Investment Sub-Committee monitors investments with the assistance of the W H Ireland Ltd.



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STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the charity's auditors are unaware, and each Director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Charity's auditors are aware of that information.

By Order of the Board

Philip J Price
Company Secretary



STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for their annual report and for the preparation of financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the incoming resources and the application of resources of Charity and the Group during the year, and of the state of affairs as at the end of the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- ensure that the most suitable accounting policies are established and applied consistently
- make judgements and estimates which are reasonable and prudent
- state whether the applicable accounting standards and statement of recommended accounting practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation

The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the Charity has appropriate systems and controls, financial and otherwise. They are also responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and the Group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and the Group for their proper application as required by charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurance that:

- the Charity is operating efficiently and effectively
- all assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use of disposition and are properly applied
- proper records are maintained and financial information used within Charity, or for publication, is reliable
- the Charity complies with relevant laws and regulations

The Trustees are also responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Charity's website.



Internal controls over all forms of commitment and expenditure continue to be refined to improve efficiency. Processes are in place to ensure that performance is monitored and that appropriate management information is prepared and reviewed regularly by the Trustees.

The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- regular consideration by the Trustees of financial results, variances from budgets, non-financial performance indicators and benchmarking reviews
- delegation of day-to-day management authority and segregation of duties
- the Trustees are aware of the need for identification and management of risks, and to be satisfied that appropriate procedures are in place.



AUDIT REPORT

For the year ended 31st December 2016

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members and Trustees of The East Lancashire Masonic Charity

We have audited the financial statements of The East Lancashire Masonic Charity for the year ended 31st December 2016 on pages 40 to 51 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors (trustees) and auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities set out on page 36, the trustees (who are also directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the Annual Report and financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we



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read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material misstatements or inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31st December 2016, and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, the information given in the Directors' Annual Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the charitable company has not kept adequate and sufficient accounting records, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit report.

Mr Timothy A R Elston (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Percy Westhead & Company,
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors,
Greg's Buildings, 1 Booth Street, Manchester. M2 4AD.

25th August 2017



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THE EAST LANCASHIRE MASONIC CHARITY (Company number: 79735)

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(including and Income and Expenditure Account)

For the year ended 31st December 2016

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2016	Total Funds 2015
	Note	£	£	£	£
INCOME:					
Donations	3	242,420	52,731	295,151	115,326
Legacies		168,382	-	168,382	20,500
Income from charitable activities					
Grants from Masonic Charity Foundation		114,710	-	114,710	109,460
Trading activity - Hewlett Court	4	646,174	-	646,174	619,309
Investment income	5	70,548	756	71,304	69,621
Other income		253	-	253	66,129
Gain on disposal of tangible fixed asset		-	-	-	906,280
Total income		<u>1,242,487</u>	<u>53,487</u>	<u>1,295,974</u>	<u>1,906,625</u>
EXPENDITURE:					
Costs of raising funds					
Costs of raising voluntary income	7	41,780	-	41,780	28,917
Investment management costs		14,609	119	14,728	12,022
Property expenses	7	29,477	-	29,477	256,463
		<u>85,866</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>85,985</u>	<u>297,402</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities					
Grants	6	207,800	38,121	245,921	190,196
Grant administration	7	37,382	-	37,382	39,035
Community fund donations	6	57,169	-	57,169	31,524
Other donations	6	13,262	-	13,262	35,347
Trading activity - Hewlett Court	6	591,454	-	591,454	572,908
Total expenditure		<u>992,933</u>	<u>38,240</u>	<u>1,031,173</u>	<u>1,166,412</u>
Net income		<u>249,554</u>	<u>15,247</u>	<u>264,801</u>	<u>740,213</u>
Transfers between funds		(5,800)	5,800	-	-
Other recognised gains and losses					
Gains on revaluation of investments	12	167,629	753	168,382	61,218
Gains/(Losses) on disposal of investments	9	(2,871)	123	(2,748)	(2,790)
Net movement in funds		<u>408,512</u>	<u>21,923</u>	<u>430,435</u>	<u>798,641</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 1st January 2016		4,219,383	26,307	4,245,690	3,447,049
Total funds carried forward at 31st December 2016		<u>4,627,895</u>	<u>48,230</u>	<u>4,676,125</u>	<u>4,245,690</u>

All amounts relate to continuing activities. All recognised gains or losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.



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BALANCE SHEETAs at 31st December 2016

	Note	2016 £	2015 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	11	917,471	840,189
Investments	12	2,284,969	1,998,058
		3,202,440	2,838,247
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	13	1,257,767	1,757,385
Bank and other deposits		309,023	193,961
		1,566,790	1,951,346
LIABILITIES			
Amounts falling due within one year	14	93,105	543,903
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,473,685	1,407,443
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		4,676,125	4,245,690
NET ASSETS		4,676,125	4,245,690
FUNDS			
Unrestricted:			
Free reserves		2,192,950	1,931,032
Revaluation reserve		390,396	238,489
Designated funds		2,044,549	2,049,862
		4,627,895	4,219,383
Restricted funds			
Endowed capital		46,914	22,224
Revaluation reserve		1,316	1,097
Unexpended income		-	2,986
		48,230	26,307
	15	4,676,125	4,245,690

The trustees have prepared accounts in accordance with section 398 of the Companies Act 2006 and section 138 of the Charities Act 2011. These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to the members of the company.

The financial statements on pages 40 to 51 were authorised for issue by the directors on 25th August 2017.

Signed on behalf of the directors by

J Brownson



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31st December 2016

1 COMPANIES ACT 2006

The Charity is not a trading company and the Profit and Loss Account formats permitted under the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 are not considered appropriate to report the transactions of the Charity.

The Directors have presented the Income and Expenditure Account as part of the Statement of Financial Activities in a format which they consider fully explains the transactions of the Charity.

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of accounting

Subject to note 2(d) and 2(l), these accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with 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 1st January 2015 - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

(b) Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

In preparing the accounts, the directors have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 the restatement of comparative items was required. The directors concluded that no restatements were required.

(c) Cash flow statement

The Charity is exempt from the requirements to include a cash flow statement as part of its financial statements because it qualifies as small under the Companies Act 2006.

(d) Investment Income

Income from investments is recognised in the accounts at the date when it is received. This policy represents a departure from recommended accounting principles, which require income to be recognised in the accounts on an accruals basis. In the circumstances of this Charity, the directors consider it inappropriate to recognise this income until the date when it is due to be received. Other interest is accounted for on an accruals basis.

(e) Donations and grants

Donations and grants are recognised in the accounts at the date when these are received, as, in the opinion of the directors, it is not appropriate to recognise these at an earlier date. Grants and donations payable are recognised in the accounts at the date of authorisation.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31st December 2016

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

(f) Legacies

Legacy income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds which is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

(g) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds arise from income which the donor has specified be solely used for particular areas of the Charity's work.

(h) Expenditure

Resources expended are recognised on an accruals basis and are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to specific headings, they have been allocated to activities on bases consistent with the use of the resources.

(i) Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's activities. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 8.

(j) Pension contributions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the statement of financial activities in the period to which they relate.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31st December 2016

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

(k) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. No depreciation is provided on freehold land and buildings. The buildings are maintained to ensure that their value does not diminish over time and their realisable value, although not quantified, is in excess of their book value. In these circumstances, the directors consider that any charge for depreciation would not be material and thus it is inappropriate to charge depreciation on these assets. No depreciation is provided on leasehold improvements whilst the works are incomplete.

Depreciation is provided on other tangible fixed assets in order to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life at the following rates and bases:

Furniture and equipment	10% per annum straight line
	25% per annum straight line

(l) Investments

Listed investments are valued in the accounts at the mid-market price at the balance sheet date, including accrued interest where relevant. The surplus or deficiency arising from the valuation of investments is taken direct to the revaluation reserve. Unlisted investments are included at cost less provision for diminution in value. This policy represents a departure from recommended accounting principles, which require all investments to be included in the balance sheet at market value. The directors consider that it is not possible to establish with reasonable certainty the market value of the charity's investment in its subsidiary, without incurring disproportionate costs, which would not be beneficial to the charity.

Realised surpluses and deficits arising on disposals of investments determined by reference to the carrying value of the assets in the charity's balance sheet are included within Income and Expenditure for the year. Realised revaluation surpluses, representing the difference between historical cost and the carrying value of the assets, are reclassified by way of a transfer to general reserves in the year in which the disposal occurs.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTSfor the year ended 31st December 2016

		2016	2015
		£	£
3	DONATIONS		
	<u>Unrestricted Donations</u>		
	Donations from Masons, their Lodges and Chapters and Events	211,310	96,605
	Gift Aid tax reclaimed	12,934	10,524
	Donations to Hewlett Court	18,176	8,197
		<u>242,420</u>	<u>115,326</u>
	Restricted donations	<u>52,731</u>	<u>-</u>
4	INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
	<u>Trading activity - Hewlett Court</u>	£	£
	Income from residents	623,166	611,537
	Staff Board	920	1,380
	Residents contribution to medication administration	16,156	-
	Sundry income	5,932	6,392
		<u>646,174</u>	<u>619,309</u>
5	INVESTMENT INCOME		
		£	£
	Income from investments	71,255	69,591
	Bank and Deposit interest	49	30
		<u>71,304</u>	<u>69,621</u>
	Of the £71,304 received in 2016 (2015: £69,621) £756 was restricted funds (2015: £896) and £70,548 (2015: £68,695) unrestricted funds.		
6	DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
	<u>Grants to individuals</u>	£	£
	Masonic Charity Foundation	114,710	109,460
	Other grants including Christmas and birthday gifts	43,462	45,887
	Holidays paid for beneficiaries	22,732	20,076
	Comforts fund	26,896	11,250
		<u>207,800</u>	<u>186,673</u>
	Restricted Fund	<u>38,121</u>	<u>3,523</u>

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				2016	2015
				£	£
6	DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE (Continued)				
	Community fund donations			57,169	31,524
	Other donations				
	Masonic			9,000	25,000
	Non-Masonic			4,262	10,347
				13,262	35,347
	Trading activity - Hewlett Court:-				
	Salaries, wages and related costs			252,642	260,591
	Food and kitchen consumables			79,871	86,742
	Repairs and renewals			72,429	65,556
	Other property costs including heat, light, rates, water and insurance			64,400	59,328
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets			36,513	32,866
	Medication administration			45,289	27,867
	Other expenses			40,310	39,958
				591,454	572,908
7	MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CHARITY				
		Grant administration	Cost of raising voluntary income	Property expenses	Total costs
		£	£	£	£
	2016				
	Salaries, wages and related costs	15,866	6,564	13,062	35,492
	Insurance	-	-	16,386	16,386
	Rates and water rates	-	-	29	29
	Website	-	10,200	-	10,200
	Other expenses	2,921	6,422	-	9,343
	Governance costs (see note 8)	12,996	12,995	-	25,991
	Support costs (see note 8)	5,599	5,599	-	11,198
		37,382	41,780	29,477	108,639
	Compensation for cessation of lease			-	-
	Release of provision for debt re insurance recharge			-	-
				29,477	108,639
	2015				
	Salaries, wages and related costs	16,000	5,500	10,273	31,773
	Insurance	-	-	21,664	21,664
	Rates and water rates	-	-	14,164	14,164
	Website	-	-	-	-
	Other expenses	2,953	3,337	-	6,290
	Governance costs (see note 8)	15,243	15,242	-	30,485
	Support costs (see note 8)	4,839	4,838	-	9,677
		39,035	28,917	46,101	114,053
	Compensation for cessation of lease			347,862	347,862
	Release of provision for debt re insurance recharge			(137,500)	(137,500)
				256,463	324,415



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8 ANALYSIS OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

The Charity initially identifies the costs of its support functions. It then identifies those costs which relate to the governance function. Having identified its governance costs, the remaining support costs together with the governance costs are apportioned between Grant Administration and Costs of Raising Voluntary Income (see note 7) in the year.

	General support	Governance	Total	
	£	£	£	
2016				
Salaries, wages and related costs	10,258	10,257	20,515	Estimate of time
Auditors remuneration	-	10,000	10,000	Governance
Auditors remuneration - other services	-	2,000	2,000	Governance
General office	940	940	1,880	Estimate of time
Committee expenses	-	947	947	Governance
Professional fees	-	39	39	Governance
Bank charges	-	1,808	1,808	Governance
	<u>11,198</u>	<u>25,991</u>	<u>37,189</u>	
2015				
Salaries, wages and related costs	8,346	8,345	16,691	Estimate of time
Auditors remuneration	-	15,320	15,320	Governance
Auditors remuneration - other services	-	3,880	3,880	Governance
General office	1,331	1,330	2,661	Estimate of time
Committee expenses	-	46	46	Governance
Professional fees	-	-	-	Governance
Bank charges	-	1,564	1,564	Governance
	<u>9,677</u>	<u>30,485</u>	<u>40,162</u>	

9 PROFIT ON DISPOSAL OF INVESTMENTS

	£	£
Proceeds	135,476	463,860
Less: Cost	<u>121,968</u>	<u>355,073</u>
Gains (losses) over historical cost	13,508	108,787
Less: Revaluation gains (losses) realised	<u>16,256</u>	<u>111,577</u>
Profits (Losses) over book value	<u>(2,748)</u>	<u>(2,790)</u>

10 NET INCOME / (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR

Net Income/(Deficit) for the year is stated after charging:	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - owned	36,513	32,866
Auditors remuneration	10,000	15,320
Auditors remuneration - non-audit services	2,000	3,880
Directors' remuneration	-	-



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11 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Leasehold Improvements £	Furniture and Equipment £	Total £
Cost				
As at 1st January 2016	732,462	-	387,510	1,119,972
Additions	-	75,000	38,795	113,795
Disposals	-	-		-
As at 31st December 2016	732,462	75,000	426,305	1,233,767
Depreciation				
As at 1st January 2016	-	-	279,783	279,783
Charge for the year	-	-	36,513	36,513
Eliminated on disposal	-	-		-
As at 31st December 2016	-	-	316,296	316,296
Net Book Value				
As at 31st December 2016	732,462	75,000	110,009	917,471
As at 31st December 2015	732,462	-	107,727	840,189

During the year ended 31st December 2015 the Charity granted leases for 999 years for Freemasons' Hall. At the same time the Charity was granted an underlease back for the third floor of Freemasons' Hall for a period of 150 years at a peppercorn rent. The Charity is refurbishing the third floor and the associated costs are being recognised as leasehold improvements.

Land and buildings and furniture and equipment are used for direct charitable purposes as part of the operating activities of the Charity. Authorised capital expenditure at 31st December 2016 amounted to £Nil (2015 £10,424).



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12 INVESTMENTS

<u>CHARITY</u>	Holdings in Masonic Hall Companies £	Listed Securities £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
As at 1st January 2016	20	1,998,038	1,998,058
Investments purchased in year	-	256,753	256,753
Investments sold in year	-	(138,224)	(138,224)
Increase/(decrease) in market value	-	168,382	168,382
As at 31st December 2016	20	2,284,949	2,284,969
Historical cost as at 31st December 2016	160,020	1,893,236	2,053,256
Holdings in Masonic Hall Companies at cost:		2016 £	2015 £
East Lancashire Masonic Hall Company Limited		160,000	160,000
Blackburn Masonic Hall Company Limited		20	20

The Charity owns all the issued shares in the East Lancashire Masonic Hall Company Limited, a company registered in England, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Charity. The East Lancashire Masonic Hall Company Limited ceased to trade on 31st May 2015 and the company has since been dormant. As at 31st December the company's capital and reserves amounted to £Nil (2015: £Nil). An application has been made to the Registrar of Companies for the East Lancashire Masonic Hall Company Limited to be struck of the Company Register.

The shareholding in Blackburn Masonic Hall Company Limited represents 0.1% of the issued share capital of that company.

13 DEBTORS Amounts falling due within one year

	2016 £	2015 £
Sundry debtors	1,160,669	12,382
Amount due from subsidiary undertaking	-	444,915
Prepayments and accrued income	97,098	1,300,088
	1,257,767	1,757,385

Sundry debtors include £1,125,000 (2015: £Nil) relating to monies held in an Escrow account for the purpose of carrying out refurbishment works to the third floor of Freemasons' Hall for which the Charity has been granted a 150 year underlease. Prepayments and accrued income include £Nil (2015: £1,200,000) relating to monies due from the developer of Freemasons' Hall.

14 CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2016 £	2015 £
Other taxes and social security costs	2,174	3,231
Amount due to subsidiary undertaking	-	445,199
Sundry creditors	12,524	23,688
Accruals and deferred income	78,407	71,785
	93,105	543,903



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15 ACCUMULATED FUNDS

The Charity is limited by guarantee and therefore does not have a share capital.

	Fund at 1st January 2016	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	Transfers between reserves	Other recognised gains and losses	Provision released on sale of investments	Fund at 31st December 2016
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted						
General Reserve Charity	1,931,032	249,554	(487)	(2,871)	15,722	2,192,950
Revaluation Reserve	238,489			167,629	(15,722)	390,396
Designated Funds	2,049,862		(5,313)			2,044,549
	4,219,383	249,554	(5,800)	164,758	-	4,627,895
Restricted						
General Reserve Charity	25,210	15,247	5,800	123	534	46,914
Revaluation Reserve	1,097			753	(534)	1,316
	26,307	15,247	5,800	876	-	48,230
Total Funds	4,245,690	264,801	-	165,634	-	4,676,125

The balances on Revaluation Reserves represent unrealised gains on investments.

The designated funds represent:-

Fixed assets

Freemasons' Hall development contribution

Benevolence fund for closed lodges

2016	2015
£	£
917,471	840,189
1,125,000	1,200,000
2,078	9,673
2,044,549	2,049,862

Analysis of movements in restricted fund

	Fund at 1st January 2016	Income	Expenditure	Transfers between reserves	Other recognised gains and losses	Provision released on sale of investments	Fund at 31st December 2016
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Disaster Relief Fund	-	52,731	(26,573)	5,800	-	-	31,958
M Kay Fund	6,205	393	(1,189)	-	602	-	6,011
Smith Fund	9,683	360	(56)	-	274	-	10,261
Geeling Fund	10,419	3	(10,422)	-	-	-	-
	26,307	53,487	(38,240)	5,800	876	-	48,230

Description and purpose of the restricted funds

M Kay, Smith and Geeling Funds

To support the education and well being of children

Disaster Relief Fund

To support families and communities in the event of disasters

16 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

The net assets of the Restricted Funds were:

	£	£
Listed investments	15,090	17,349
Cash and deposits	33,140	8,958
	48,230	26,307

17 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The following operating lease payments are committed to be paid within one year:

	£	£
Expiring:		
Less than one year	-	882
Between one and five years	2,436	2,436



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The average monthly head count for the Charity was 25 staff (2015: 27 staff) and the average number of full time equivalent employees (including casual and part time staff) during the year was as follows:-

	2016	2015
	Number	Number
Main charity	2	2
Hewlett Court	13	12
	15	14
Total remuneration during the year amounted to:	2016	2015
	£	£
Wages and salaries	293,115	296,586
Social Security Costs	13,678	11,987
Pension costs	1,856	482
	308,649	309,055
Allocation:		
Direct charitable expenditure -		
Trading activity - Hewlett Court	252,642	260,591
Grant administration	15,866	16,000
Cost of raising voluntary income	6,564	5,500
Property expenses	13,062	10,273
Governance and support (see note 8)	20,515	16,691
	308,649	309,055

No employee was paid at a rate of £60,000 per annum or more. No fees or expenses were received by the Directors/Trustees.

19 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the Charity was provided with insurance brokerage services by RBIG Corporate Risk Services Limited at a cost of £16,940 (2015: £42,907). Mark Davies who is a Director of the Charity is also a Director of RBIG Corporate Risk Services Limited.

20 FIRST YEAR ADOPTION

These financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2016 are the first financial statements that comply with Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The transition to Charities SORP (FRS 102) has not resulted in any changes to the brought forward reserves of the Charity.



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LIST OF DONATIONS GIVEN: -

In the year ended 31st December 2016

MASONIC DONATIONS

Cumberland and Westmorland Festival £4,000

Mark 2021 Festival £5,000

TOTAL MASONIC DONATIONS **£9,000**

PGM DISCRETIONARY FUND

Friends of Ecclesholme £4,000

OTHER DONATIONS

The Poppy Appeal £12

Friends of Rosie £250

TOTAL OTHER DONATIONS IN 2016 **£4,262**

GRANT MAKING COMMITTEE GRANTS

Hosanna House Children's Hospice £2,250
Donation for three children or young people to travel to Lourdes

Salford Imagination Library £1,250
To provide books for pre-school children in under privileged areas of Salford

Middleton Cricket Club £2,800
To provide sight screens for a Focus and Community Club

The Frost Foundation £1,000
To provide a specialist wheel chair

1969 Rossendale Squadron, Air Training Corps £2,113
To provide 5 PC workstations, keyboards and monitors

Tottington High School £250
Donation towards purchase of musical instruments

East Manchester Cabal Boat Project £400
To purchase a defibrillator

Thwaites Empire Theatre £1,850
To purchase two defibrillators

St George's Scout Group £2,151
To purchase a self-build shelter

Teddies for Loving Care £780
To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals



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Bury Society for blind and partially sighted people	£1,976
Donation to cover a trip for 90 people	
The FED	£1,000
To purchase specialist palliative care equipment	
Salford Carers Centre	£500
To assist in the production of a calendar	
Rochdale Lodge	£250
To assist in the maintenance of a stairlift	
IOM Renovation Project	£1,000
Provincial Grand Lodge of The Isle of Man	
You Can	£1,300
To purchase 2 two-man canoes, 2 parachutes and 8 boxercise mats	
Victoria Baths	£3,000
To assist in the Restoration of the Baths	
Teddies for Loving Care	£450
To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	
Cherry Tree Bowling Club	£145
To purchase a Heritage Litter Bin	
Lancashire Women's Centres	£2,636
To match own fundraising	
HFT@Greenfield Community Centre	£1,120
To purchase and install a defibrillator	
Top View Community Special School	£2,978
To re-fit a sensory room	
Sandon House Community Centre	£3,200
To provide replacement flooring	
Salle Angelo Fencing Club	£2,834
To cover the cost of two FIE Scoring Sets	
Latin Dance Steps	£3,388
To cover costs of Junior 4 Couple Team	
Tall Ships Trust	£500
Bursary for two young people to train on Tall Ships	
Lodge of Merit	£1,500
To provide a helmet for boy born with a soft skull	
Wood Street Mission	£2,000
Supply of Christmas gifts to children	
New Ground Together	£1,500
Hire of large screen for Christmas lights switch on	
Pyramid Self Help Group	£350
To support a Christmas Party for 35 people	
Off the Record	£500
Towards the development of a new App for young people	
Friends of Tameside Young Carers	£1,700
Day out for 70 Young Carers	
Grange Bowling Club	£740
Repair to wall and alarm in disabled toilet	
Rochdale Food Bank	£500
Support for families suffering hardship	
GM Carers Trust in Greater Manchester	£1,000
Support for Memories and Melodies Project for Carers	



Pathways

Equipment for a Sensory Room

£1,553**The Fusiliers Museum**

Purchase of 15 new computers

£4,705**TOTAL GRANT MAKING COMMITTEE GRANTS 2016****£57,169****National Masonic Charities – Statistics 2016**

Masonic Charitable Foundation approved grants to the value of £498,716 to 185 Beneficiaries:

Financial Support	£120,970 to 56 Beneficiaries
Family/Education	£122,344 to 50 Beneficiaries
Health	£82,646 to 58 Beneficiaries
Family/Residential Care	£172,756 to 21 Beneficiaries

Non-Masonic Grants**Hospices - £24,458 for nine Hospices**

- £3,576 Bolton Hospice
- £2,718 Bury Hospice
- £2,718 Dr Kershaw's Hospice
- £2,431 East Lancashire Hospice
- £2,431 Hospice Care for Burnley and Pendle
- £1,000 Rossendale Hospice
- £3,290 Springhill Hospice (Rochdale)
- £3,576 St Ann's Hospice (Little Hulton)
- £2,718 Willow Wood Hospice

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