

THE EAST LANCASHIRE MASONIC CHARITY

(A company limited by guarantee)

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Registered in England

Registered Charity Number: 225151

DIRECTORS ANNUAL REPORT

&

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31st December 2019



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INTRODUCTION FROM OUR PRESIDENT – Sir David Trippier, RD, JP, DL

I have introduced these Annual reports for almost a decade now and I am increasingly impressed by the work of the East Lancashire Masonic Charity and its devoted Directors, Committee members and staff. We should all be exceptionally proud of what our Charity does for our own and our local communities in the Province.

Hewlett Court has often been referred to as ‘the Jewel in the Crown’ of our Province. The place will be unrecognizable when the current redevelopment and refurbishment work is completed and I am indebted to David Lightbown for his continuous input, acting as our ‘Clerk of Works’ on this extensive project. I am also grateful to the staff and residents who, although will be receiving a ‘new’ home, have tolerated and coped so well with living and working in the midst of a building site!

My gratitude also extends to all of you reading this, whether you work within the Charity (and I know you will say that just having that opportunity is thanks enough), or have become a friend by donating the equivalent of £5 per month or more to enable the Charity to meet its financial and other obligations to those it provides for.

As I write this introduction to the 2019 Annual Report the nation is at the beginning of what looks like will become a worldwide pandemic. The coming year may be a trying time for both the Province and our Charity – the ELMC, and I know that whatever transpires, we will, as always, pull together; giving assistance, aid, support, and comfort, wherever it is needed.

Rt. Worshipful Brother Sir David Trippier
President

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	John R Farrington *	
Chairman	Chad A Northcott	
Hon. Secretary	Philip J Price	
Hon. Treasurer	David Cowen	
	Stephen Clark	
	David Hudson	
	David Lightbown	
	Robert SC Mitchell *	
	Stephen A Thomson	<i>(Appointed 26.09.2019)</i>
	Derek N Thornhill *	
	William R Waite *	
	Julie Ward*	

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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 the 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 Brother, his family or friend may become an individual member of the ELMC at the discretion of the Board through a personal gift of at least £60 per annum. These “Friends” are entitled, should they wish, to attend the Annual General Meeting and to receive a copy of the Annual Report, but are not entitled to cast a vote at the AGM.

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 Grants Committee
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 Commissioners Guide to the responsibilities of a Charity Trustee
6. Copies of the minutes of previous meetings of the Board

The Board appoints Sub-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 Sub-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 co-ordinated 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 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 Sub-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, and 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 738, in this financial year. In addition to the time freely given by Almoners, Provincial Welfare Officers, Charity Stewards and many other committed Freemasons, the financial value of the grants and support to East Lancashire beneficiaries in 2019 consisted of £87,930 from the ELMC and a further £499,100 (supporting 212 Freemasons and dependents) from the Masonic Charitable Foundation (financial support £207,758, family £86,588, health £68,393 and residential care £136,361).

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 2019 the Fund received 71 applications (in 2018 - 59 applications were received) and approved grants to 51 organisations totalling £61,264 (2018 - £71,213). The impact of these donations is very important to us – Freemasonry in action. Other ELMC donations include £5,000 (Masonic) and £14,000 (non-Masonic).

The ELMC Fund Raising Committee has worked closely with the Provincial Charity Stewards Committee and other ELMC Officers to develop fund-raising activities and encourage regular donations to us by Freemasons and their Lodges and Chapters.

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. This will increase with major improvements to the facility having been undertaken in 2019 and which will be ongoing through 2020.

Julie Ward, Operations Director for the 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

twitter.com/e_l_m_c

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THE COMMITTEE OF BENEVOLENCE

David Lightbown	Chairman
Philip J Price	ELMC Hon. Secretary
David Hudson	Provincial Grand Almoner
Steve Clarke	Provincial Grand Charity Steward
Charles B Ward	Chairman, Comforts Fund Committee
Julie Ward	ELMC Director of Operations

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES [pre-AGM 2019]

Michael Bluer	Bury
Ron Gridley	Bolton
Alston Hall	Rochdale
Brian Reynolds	Ashton & Mossley
David Platt	Oldham
Francis Salt	East Ribble
Nigel Johnson	Audenshaw
Alan Potts	Salford
Elliott Moss	Manchester Districts

AREA REPRESENTATIVES [post-AGM 2019]

Note change to representation by Area rather than District

Alston Hall	Eastern Area
Michael Bluer	Western Area
Brian Reynolds	Southern Area
Francis Salt	Northern Area
Alan Potts	Salford Area
Elliott Moss	Manchester Area

The Committee of Benevolence (COB) meets monthly throughout the year to consider cases, for either financial assistance or other forms of support. Whilst financial assistance is the main form of support other factors are considered when contemplating each application.

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.

The total number of Beneficiaries cared for by the ELMC in 2019 was 738, comprising 82 widows, 22 brethren, 24 Married Couples, 2 Spinsters, 1 Bachelor, 53 Young People, 32 Residents of Hewlett Court, and 523 Widows of Closed Lodges. During 2019 there were 30 new petitions for financial support, 61 cases were reviewed and 1 was made a new beneficiary of the Charity.

The majority of applications receive appraisal by the Masonic Charitable Foundation with petitions brought to them by the Provincial Welfare Officers (PWOs), Almoners (or other concerned Brethren) on behalf of Freemasons, their family or other dependants who are considered to be in need. These are also reviewed by the Committee of Benevolence, who consider if further support is necessary under the current ELMC guidelines.

In the last year, the MCF has given financial support to 212 beneficiaries within the Province of East Lancashire totalling £499,100 with additional financial support of £87,930 (including the Margaret Kay Fund £3,416), being provided by the ELMC. These monies are dispersed via the Benevolence, Comforts Fund, and the Young Peoples Committees.

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 when required, with each case being considered on its merit. The Chairman works closely with both the Provincial Grand Almoner and Provincial Grand Charity Steward, with such emergency cases being ratified at the next COB meeting.

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to all members of the Committee of Benevolence, the Provincial Welfare Officers, Julie Ward and Karen Hall for all their hard work and support during the last twelve months, and in particular thank those who have retired from their offices during the year and welcome on board the new members of the committee.

COMFORTS FUND COMMITTEE

Charles B Ward Chairman
David Lightbown Vice Chairman
Dennis Gilmore
David Platt
Mahtarr Samba

Spring Party

The Comforts Fund Committee organise a traditional programme of events starting with the Spring Party held at Stanley House, Manchester Road, Audenshaw on Tuesday 9th April 2019. The event was supported by the President of the ELMC, Sir David Trippier, along with Officers of the ELMC, the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters and their partners.

WBro Charles Ward and his Committee members greeted over 90 guests of the Charity. There were also several 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 Vocalist, Liam James.

During the evening, the Committee Members and Officers were able to circulate and chat amongst the guests. Each guest was presented with a gift to remember the evening. An excellent evening was enjoyed by all.

Annual Holiday

The ELMC Comforts Fund Committee arranged for the Annual Holiday for 2019 to take place from 27th May to 3rd June 2019, once again, at the Clifton Park Hotel, St Anne's on Sea. This venue is extremely popular each year, resulting this time in fifty-five widows and Brethren of the Province attending the holiday along with the Comforts Fund Chairman, WBro Charles Ward, Julie Ward and Committee Members. As always, the food, facilities and staff at the hotel were fantastic.

The group departed from Hewlett Court where a tea/coffee reception was provided followed by a meat and potato pie lunch prepared by the in-house Cook, Melanie. A glass of wine [or two] was also enjoyed prior to departure for St Anne's. It is such a wonderful atmosphere with both Residents and holiday attendees mixing.

On 30th May a day trip was arranged for afternoon tea at The Rendezvous Hotel, Skipton. The weather was a little wet but that did not stop the group undertaking some retail therapy, and an excellent day was had by all.

On Monday 3rd June we returned to Hewlett Court for a light lunch before saying our goodbyes until the next time we meet in September for the Autumn Outing. 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 finished their yearly programme of events with an Autumn Day Out which took place on Tuesday 17th September 2019.

The day commenced at 9.30 am where just under 50 guests, together with the Comforts Fund Committee Chairman and Committee Members, arrived at Hewlett Court for a tea and biscuits reception. The coach departed at around 10.30 am for Cheshire. Arriving at the Cock, in Budworth, at around 12 pm for a three-course meal.

After dining the group enjoyed a trip on the Chester Boat River Cruise followed by an open top bus tour around the beautiful City of Chester, returning to Hewlett Court at around 6 pm.

The Comforts Fund Committee aims to provide a 'special' day out which is so much enjoyed by all our beneficiaries. A special thank you goes to the Almoners who provide transport to and from Hewlett Court, to enable our guests to attend the day out.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Roger Tinker Chairman
Paul Doran
Gary O'Neill
Raymond P Evans
Christopher Creelman
Howard Aldersen-Perkins
Edward Smethurst
Karen Hall
Julie Ward ELMC Director of Operations

The Young People's Committee organised four events for the Young People in 2019, Curling, a visit to the offices of the Masonic Charitable Foundation (MCF) and United Grand Lodge (UGLE), Escape Rooms and The Lowry Theatre. We also created communication channels for the group – A Quarterly Newsletter, a Facebook Group and a WhatsApp Group.

Of all the events and with the establishment of improved communications it was the MCF and our visit to Great Queen Street (UGLE) that gave us the greatest fulfilment. During conversations with the Young People and their parents / guardians a number of them had

expressed a desire to thank the team at the MCF who manage their case files and take a professional / personal interest in their welfare and development. Many had thanked the team when acknowledging the benefits received but felt a face-to-face meeting would allow them to communicate their thanks in a more personable manner. When the suggestion of the visit was initially proposed, the YPC realised that we would need assistance to establish a meeting with the MCF Team. Our presence on the day could disrupt their schedule and might be an intrusion. We were fortunate that Chad Northcott and Philip Price both thought our proposal was worthy and gave us their support to create the day.

Masonic Charitable Foundation and United Grand Lodge 7th August 2019

The day began at Piccadilly Station at 7:30 am on a bright(ish) Wednesday morning, everyone looking bright eyed and bushy tailed. A light breakfast of fruit and biscuits was enjoyed whilst watching the countryside go by. At Euston Station the group assembled for the walk to Great Queen Street. Our route took in many of the green spaces in the area including Tavistock Square, Russell Square and Bloomsbury Square Garden. Armed with our bespoke route booklet the party were able to identify the historic landmarks en route.

At Bloomsbury Square the party split into two groups, one heading directly to the MCF offices and the other taking a longer route, through Lincoln's Inn Fields, to Temple then via the Strand and Drury Lane to the MCF offices in Great Queen St.

From the initial reaction of the MCF staff it was apparent that they welcomed the opportunity to meet the beneficiaries in their care. It was also a revelation for the group to see the workings of our magnificent charitable organisation. The first item on the agenda was a short presentation on the TLC teddy bears, which has given over 2.5 million bears to children attending A&E. The group were shown an email that had been received in the office that morning, from a mother thanking the Masons for the TLC teddy her daughter had received. The content of the email gave everybody a lasting impression of how much comfort the TLC bears give to their recipients. A distinguished member of the TLC fraternity always accompanies the YPC on events.

The group were asked to join the MCF personnel in the courtyard, where the Young People participated in a quiz that was filmed by the MCF communications team. The filmed material will be utilised by the MCF to showcase their work. At this point the rain made its first appearance of the day and the group were forced to beat a hasty retreat indoors for lunch.

After lunch it was time to make a tour of the Masonic Peace Memorial, which the group were informed is the proper title of the UGLE building. Ennis Coggles, the tour guide, gave the group an explanation of the origins of Freemasonry and how the United Grand Lodge of England was formed.

Next was the 'Temple' where Ennis gave the history of the bronze doors leading to Grand Lodge, which were donated by East Lancashire. After pointing out that they weigh 1.25 tons each, Ennis invited the smallest member of the group to push them open with one finger which, to his delight, he duly did.

Ennis then pointed out some of the features of the room finishing off with a rendition of "Bohemian Rhapsody" on the Grand Organ.

The group returned to the museum for a longer look around. A highlight was when one of our number, TLC, was allowed to sit on the huge chair used by the Prince Regent (later King George IV) when he was Grand Master. This was a unique privilege which TLC appreciated.

After much generous applause for the great job that Ennis had done there was time for one last group photo on the sunny steps of the building before setting off for the restaurant, dinner and the journey home.

It was during this walk that the rain made its second appearance, and it was quite an encore. Umbrellas and raincoats were quickly removed from their cases, but shelter had to be sought under the trees in Bloomsbury Square Gardens. The party arrived at Prezzo's moist but with spirits undiminished.

After a very pleasant meal it was back to the station. The train was delayed; however, the YPC party was escorted to it before everybody else. We arrived safely back in Manchester, tired, but having had a most enjoyable day.

Special thanks to Karen for organising the trip, Ennis for his interesting and accomplished tour of the UGLE building and Gill Bennett and the staff of the MCF for their warm welcome.

Curling @ The Flower Bowl 11th April 2019

When the YPC heard that a curling centre was to be included in the development of the new Barton Grange Garden Centre entertainment complex – The Flower Bowl, it was an opportunity too good to miss. Everybody who has seen the sport on television must have fancied trying it out.

The YPC booked two sheets at the new facility and invited the Young People and their parents / guardians to join in having a go to find the next Eve Muirhead, Rhona Martin or David Murdoch.

The two-hour session on the sheet started with a short presentation on the game and safety aspects. After donning footwear, headbands and selecting our brushes we headed out onto the sheet. The temperature in the rink is around 8 / 10 C, not as cold as you would think. TLC felt comfortable on the ice, having all that fur helps. The first practical lesson was on sweeping, when to, how to, who can and where to sweep. Not as simple as it appears on the TV. After sweeping it was the stones. First lesson, always move the stone on the ice, do not lift it. They weigh in at around 20 kg / 44 lbs. When the instructor thought that we had all got sufficient skill to send the stones down the ice safely we divided into two teams on each sheet and the competitive part of the day began.

No favours were shown, this is competitive. It is a game of highs and lows. The joy of seeing an opponent's stone dislodged from a scoring position is very satisfying and celebrated by all the team. Equally the disappointment of having your stone relegated to a non-scorer by an opponent is devastating.

At the end of the game the victors were congratulated, and losers commiserated. The two-hour session had flown by.

It is a short walk from the Curling Rink to the Oceans Fish and Chip restaurant for a well-earned meal. There was lots of discussion over the meal of how lucky that scoring shot was or the skill the individual had used to achieve the shot of the end.

Escape Rooms Manchester 19th October 2019

This year's October Half-Term outing took place at Escape Reality in the Printworks in Manchester. For those of us not in the know this is an escape room venue. This is where a group of people are locked in a room, or series of rooms, and must solve puzzles to get out. We split into two groups; one had to rob a bank the other had to escape from Alcatraz, presumably because we got caught robbing a bank!

We were given an hour to complete the tasks which seemed like a generous amount of time, especially given that we had a (limited) number of hints to call upon.

Unfortunately, neither group managed to finish and when we met up back in the café, flushed with failure, the consensus was that given a little more time we could have done it. Both groups had started slowly but once they had gotten into the 'mindset' they were solving the puzzles quicker. It was obvious that everyone was proud of the success they had had solving some of the fiendish riddles.

After a last photo in our robber and convict gear we retired to eat.

Lunch was taken at Peachy Keens and consisted of a world buffet which was an ideal way to round off the day, particularly as we were able to help celebrate Sebastian Turner's birthday with a Chocolate Cake.

As usual everyone had a fantastic day and special thanks go to Roger our extremely hard-working Chairman and Karen for organising the event.

The Grinch @ The Lowry – 27th December 2019

The Grinch discovers there is more to Christmas than he bargained for in this heart-warming and hilarious musical, based on Dr. Seuss' hugely popular best-selling books. Magnificent sets and costumes inspired by Dr. Seuss create the whimsical world of Whoville. Max the Dog, played by Griff Rhys Jones, narrates the story of the scheming Grinch, magnificently over acted by Edward Baker Duly, whose heart is 'two sizes too small,' as he decides to steal Christmas away from the Whos, an endlessly joyful bunch bursting with holiday cheer.

There was no sign of anybody being afflicted by a reduced heart size or a lack of Christmas goodwill amongst the group who had accepted the invitation from the YPC to join them at the Lowry. The party, who met on Friday 27th December for the 2.30pm performance, were clearly enthused with the joyful spirit of the Whos.

Our group totalled 55 comprised of Young People, their families, and members of the Young Peoples' Committee. With great excitement we took our seats in time for the performance to begin.

The show is fast paced and carries the audience along with the Whos adoration of Christmas and endless joyful spirit. The story is one of redemption. When the Grinch realises that taking away the trappings of Christmas from the Whos does not reduce their Christmas spirit his heart

grows three sizes bigger and he begins to understand the Whos' enthusiasm for the festive season.

At the end of the performance everybody joined in the applause and standing ovation especially for the Grinch and Cindy Lou Who.

The committee members then escorted / directed the group from the Lyric Theatre over the bridge into the Octagon Room for an after-performance party. There was festive dinner, Seasonal Quiz and entertainment, proved by Black Diamond Disco (aka Kevin *Huggie* Hawley), and a selection box for each of the Young People.

The dinner and entertainment were marred by the initiation of a first level security alarm. The alarm lasted for over forty minutes. Regardless of this intrusion everybody enjoyed the dinner and the entertainment. The committee's karaoke rendition of Slade's Merry Christmas everyone clearly demonstrated that none of them have a career in the music industry. It was a case of must try harder and there is no substitute for practice (ironic for a group of Freemasons).

There was some derision and claims of fix when the Chairman's table was pronounced winners of the quiz. At the end of the evening and after goodbyes and well wishes for the New Year had been said everybody left for the journey home.

Our thanks to Kevin "Huggy" Hawley for providing the entertainment, all of the committee members who contributed (karaoke performance excepted) and Karen for making the bookings, liaising with the Lowry on menu selections, communicating with the Young People and ensuring everything went smoothly on the afternoon.

GRANT MAKING COMMITTEE

Chad Northcott	Chairman
John R Farrington	Deputy President
Brian J Carter	
Peter Faulkner	
David Lightbown	
David Dunn	
Rev David Halford	
Stephen Clark	Provincial Grand Charity Steward
David Hudson	Provincial Grand Almoner
Gerry Russell	Communications Liaison Officer
Karen Hall	Secretary

The Grants Committee considered 71 applications for funding during 2019; 51 grants were approved totalling £61,264. This was an increase of 12 applications over the previous year (when £71,213 was dispersed). Across the Province increased engagement with our local communities and exposure on social media and in the press was evident, and we continue to actively encourage Districts, lodges and individuals to make greater use of the fund and to continue to improve public relations and connections.

We receive several direct applications for funding from charities and good causes, most of which we refer to the Districts to seek their approval before proceeding. This gives the local team the opportunity to capitalise on the donation opportunity, market the impact Freemasonry is having in our communities, and, in many cases, offer hands on support too. From its launch in 2006 the Fund has approved grants totalling more than £600K.

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 each have a bear.

The Committee has a stable and experienced membership who considers all applications for non-Masonic support and financial assistance, seeking sanction from the Board for any Grants it seeks to approve that are more than £5,000. The criteria used for approval of awards offer wide latitude, sitting comfortably within the definitions of charitable causes as defined by the Charity Commission. We seek to support as many as possible and like projects which we can own, where there is active masonic involvement, or where there are items which we can purchase, label and be proud of.

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. We will be looking much more deeply at the positive impact our grants have in the future.

The role of the ELMC Grants Committee and its donations cannot be understated, for promoting both 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, improving the understanding of Freemasonry, and attracting new members to the fraternity.

HEWLETT COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

David Lightbown	Chairman
Ian Whitehead	Deputy Chairman
Julie Ward	Director of Operations
Dennis Heskett	Secretary
David Garnett	
Chris Wildman	Treasurer
Beverley Schofield	Manager

As reported at the 2019 AGM, the former bedroom facilities comprised of just a toilet and hand basin, which were felt to be inadequate by present day standards. With the benefit of timely and generous legacies to the home it was decided to proceed with upgrading the facilities. So, following on from a diligent tender process, Parkinson Builders Ltd, Preston, were appointed as Principal Contractors for the project, with a total project cost of £1.6m, this including a small extension to the home to maintain the required occupancy levels.

The work commenced during February 2019 and will be completed in phased periods with a forecast completion date of June 2020. The first phase of the works included the extension to the home and remodelling of the former warden's accommodation and was completed by September 2019 and enabled twelve of the residents to move into their new rooms. This was immediately followed by work on phase two which was completed by December 2019 and allowed a further eight residents to move into the new rooms, I am sure from comments made that the residents will settle into their new environments and enjoy the wonderful new facilities. Phase three has now commenced and on completion of this phase will provide a further eight refurbished rooms, with the remainder of the work will be completed over a further two phases and on completion will increase the homes capacity to forty rooms in lieu of the former thirty six.

It is hoped that on completion of the refurbishment project we will be able to hold a grand opening and garden party to commemorate the date.

The home, having been built some fifty years ago, it goes without saying that ongoing repairs and improvements are necessary to keep up with current standards and regulations. We clearly also provide better facilities and comforts for the residents. To this end a number of issues have been identified and improvements will be ongoing when funds are available.

Looking at the age profile of the residents within the home we must be doing something right, they all seem to enjoy each other's company. They are looked upon as one big family by the wonderful and dedicated staff employed at the home.

Finally, I would like to thank all the Districts who continue to support Hewlett Court by way of donations and practical support, which hopefully will continue in the future.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

John Scott	Chairman
Ian Connor	Secretary
David Cowen	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 by 13.08% whilst the estimated annual income from the portfolio increased by 6.89%. The net result was a total return which increased year on year by 15.80% after expenses. This compares to an increase of 16.21% in the total return from the MSCI WMA Private Investor Balance Total Return against which the portfolio is measured and an increase of 9.69% in the total return from the FTSE All Share Index over the same period.

CHARITY STEWARDS COMMITTEE

Steve Clark	Chairman
Tony Stephenson	City Derby
Steven Thomson	City Sykes
Ian R MacNeill	Salford
Stuart R Tennant	Ashton and Mossley
Mark Reader	Audenshaw
Michael Porter	Audenshaw
Steve Graham	Oldham
John Taylor	Rochdale
Mike Stubbs	East Ribble
Malcolm Roe	East Ribble
Mark Barlow	Burnley and Pendle

The District Charity Stewards throughout the Province continue to play a vital role within our charitable structure. Their expert local knowledge and position within the ELMC, is invaluable. Regular meetings of the District Charity Steward are held and they afford an excellent opportunity to share good practice, develop ideas that are relevant to the whole Province and pass on the benefit of their experience to other members; particularly those District Charity Stewards who are new to their role.

The District Charity Stewards offer a great deal of help and assistance to Brethren who are submitting grant applications to the Grant Making Committee, and I urge anyone making an application to tap into their expertise prior to making an application.

During 2019, together with other officers from the ELMC, the Provincial Charity Steward carried out a series of “roadshows” which visited most Districts across the Province. In doing so, they outlined the work of our Provincial Charity and were able to listen to the views of Brethren about the way the Charity operates and benefits East Lancashire Freemasons and the Communities of East Lancashire.

ELMC FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Stephen Thomson	Chairman
Philip J Price	Deputy Chairman
Julie Ward	Director of Operations
Stephen Clark	Provincial Grand Charity Steward
David Hudson	Provincial Grand Almoner
Paul Sellers	Secretary
Gerry Russell	
Nigel Johnson	
Steven Graham	
Chris Wildman	
John Thornhill	
Dennis Schiff	
Michael Clare	
Tony Stephenson	

The function of The Fund-Raising Committee is to develop and implement fundraising activities within the Province of East Lancashire. It also engages in marketing, promotional and educational activities to raise awareness of the charity to both the Freemasons of East Lancashire and the public at large.

The promotion of "Friends" of the East Lancashire Masonic Charity remained a priority throughout the year. The "Friends" personal giving scheme provides a regular and reliable income source, essential to the Charity in satisfying its core objectives.

Throughout 2019 and into 2020, a series of ELMC Roadshows took place. The Provincial Grand Charity Steward, accompanied by representatives of the Charity toured the Districts, championing the Charity and raising awareness amongst Freemasons on its work, encouraging Lodge, Chapter and individual donations via the "Friends" scheme.

This initiative was supported by a full Charity Stewards' Workshop held by the Manchester Districts and an email from the President, Sir David Trippier, which went out directly to all East Lancashire Masons. 'Friends' numbers continue to increase, and we hope will continue to do into 2020 and beyond. Less than 25 % of the current membership had signed up by the end of 2019.

An ELMC closed group App is under development which will provide news updates, a calendar, links, fully automated online registration of "Friends" and bespoke updates on the user's personal giving.

Another source of regular income that may be expanded and capitalised upon is Amazon Smile. Amazon Prime members can now log on to its parallel site, Amazon Smile, which gives a small percentile of all sales to a charity of the buyer's choice. By selecting "East Lancashire Masonic Charity" as their chosen beneficiary, the buyer may accumulate donations for ELMC without any further cost to themselves.

We anticipate a relatively lean period of income during the forthcoming Festival for the Masonic Charitable Foundation, but then we will be championing that cause during the period of the Festival.

The Fundraising Committee look forward to working with other Committees within ELMC, such as Hewlett Court and the Young People's Committee, as well as the Masons of East Lancashire to do our bit to ensure the future of the charity, and encourage ideas for consideration and development from all sources.

FUTURE PLANS

The core activities of the Charity will continue to revolve around caring for our beneficiaries through the Committee of Benevolence and its Subcommittees - the Comforts Fund and the Young Peoples Committee. This support is offered in conjunction with funding assistance and other help we receive from the Masonic Charitable Foundation, the Province's Welfare Team, and its network of Almoners. This remains the most important area of our activity and will continue to be our priority in the year ahead.

The ELMC Fund Raising Committee is committed to encouraging donations to the Charity and during 2019, has helped to raise unrestricted income of £235,609 (£239,926 in 2018). This work will continue into 2020 and onwards to ensure the financial position of the Charity is secured (especially with a Festival on the horizon, which could impact our income) and provide a healthy platform to meet the demands of our core activities and provide for increased charitable giving. There is much scope to improve awareness of the ELMC and attract more 'Friends' to the Charity.

The Grants Committee will continue to receive applications, consider and make grants to Non-Masonic Charities. We will continue to actively encourage applications from the Brethren, Lodges and Districts, with the aims of supporting our local communities, raising, and maintaining a positive understanding of Freemasonry and assisting with recruitment. Our funds come from Freemasons so, when the Charity supports the Province, the benefits are mutual. We will be reviewing the Grant application and approval process during 2020 and focussing much more on the impact our giving has in our local communities, and even at an individual level.

The ongoing support of our 'Jewel in the Crown', the Hewlett Court facility, will continue to ensure that the excellent standard of facilities and service provided for the residents are maintained. We debated and investigated an ambitious refurbishment proposal in 2018 to ensure each resident has en-suite facilities and work, which began in 2019, will continue into 2020.

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. This work will continue unabated.

Communication and Marketing will continue to be at the fore in 2020 and there will be increased engagement with the Province, our local communities and our brethren and their families with face to face presentations, direct e-communications, greater use of social media and the website, and increased engagement externally with the charities and good causes which we support.

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 £1,111,948 in the year, compared with £3,289,262 in the previous year, a decrease of £2,177,314 whereas its costs decreased from £930,543 to £910,341 resulting in a surplus of £201,607 in the year compared with a surplus of £2,358,719 in 2018. Other gains and losses relate to movement in investments and show net gains of £335,365 compared with net losses of £150,839 in the previous year thus the Charity's total unrestricted net assets have increased by £533,972 to £7.56 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 7.

THE CHARITIES INCOME

The charity's total unrestricted income has decreased by £2,177,314 due the recognition in the previous year of a significant legacy and a gain on the disposal of land adjacent to Manchester Hall. Legacy income, for which we are grateful for the generosity of our departed Brothers, decreased by £1,186,176 to £177,701, The gain on the disposal of land included in the 2018 accounts amounted to £963,548. Grants from the Masonic Charity Foundation, for which the accounts include a matching expense, increased by £3,837 to £12,470.

The legacies received during the year of £177,701 being:

D Longworth	£110,902
J Cheetham	£61,799
P Rose	£5,000

The total return from investments during the year was:

	2019	2018
	£	£
Investment income	63,248	84,354
Bank interest	3,350	176
Realised (losses) / gains on sale of investments	59,890	(4,093)
	<u>126,488</u>	<u>80,437</u>
Unrealised (losses) / gains on investments	275,475	(146,746)
	<u>401,963</u>	<u>(66,309)</u>

The value of the investment portfolio has increased by £357,512 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 39 to 42.

THE CHARITIES EXPENDITURE

Costs of the Charity are analysed in note 7. The decrease in costs of raising voluntary income is mainly due to a reduction in professional fees which were incurred during 2018 in order to secure the significant legacy income. Property expenses have increased by £9,555 to £24,661 and now include a £7,693 depreciation charge. Operating profit for Hewlett Court has decreased from £90,991 in the previous year to £38,288 and the depreciation charge has decreased to £26,577 from £34,286. The decrease in the operating profit is largely due increased salary and utility costs.

HEWLETT COURT

As mentioned earlier in the report, work commenced upgrading the facilities and extending the building which led to a temporary reduction in occupancy during the year.

	2019	2018
	£	£
Receipts from Residents, Staff and shop	600,475	628,518
Donations	8,646	10,098
	<u>609,121</u>	<u>638,616</u>
Less: Running costs	(570,833)	(547,625)
<u>Operating Profit/(Loss)</u>	<u>38,288</u>	<u>90,991</u>
Depreciation	(26,577)	(34,286)
Contribution ex ELMC	<u>11,711</u>	<u>56,705</u>

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 £7,593,416 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 investment. The performance of the funds is measured against an appropriate benchmark index and during the year the result has exceeded that benchmark. The Investment Sub-Committee monitors investments which are now managed on a discretionary basis by WH Ireland Ltd.

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 2019

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

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The East Lancashire Masonic Charity for the year ended 31st December 2019 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 2019, and of the incoming resources and application of resources 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.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

AUDIT REPORT

For the year ended 31st December 2019

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

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report (incorporating the directors' report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the trustees' report (incorporating the directors' report) have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Annual Report.

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

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

AUDIT REPORT

For the year ended 31st December 2019

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

Responsibilities of the trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement [set out on page 23] the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the Charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities]. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

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 auditor's 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's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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

23rd October 2020

THE EAST LANCASHIRE MASONIC CHARITY (Company number: 79735)

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(including an Income and Expenditure Account)

For the year ended 31st December 2019

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £	Total Funds 2018 £
INCOME:					
Donations	3	235,609	-	235,609	239,926
Legacies		177,701	-	177,701	1,363,877
Income from charitable activities					
Grants from Masonic Charity Foundation		12,470	-	12,470	8,633
Trading activity - Hewlett Court	4	600,475	-	600,475	628,518
Investment income	5	66,598	-	66,598	84,530
Other income		19,095	-	19,095	230
Gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets		-	-	-	963,548
Total income		<u>1,111,948</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,111,948</u>	<u>3,289,262</u>
EXPENDITURE:					
Costs of raising funds					
Costs of raising voluntary income	7	48,921	-	48,921	74,572
Investment management costs		15,662	-	15,662	16,116
Property expenses	7	24,661	-	24,661	15,106
		<u>89,244</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>89,244</u>	<u>105,794</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities					
Grants	6	100,400	3,000	103,400	91,914
Grant administration	7	48,023	-	48,023	55,393
Grant making committee grants	6	56,264	-	56,264	71,213
Other donations	6	19,000	-	19,000	24,666
Trading activity - Hewlett Court	6	597,410	-	597,410	581,911
Total expenditure		<u>910,341</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>913,341</u>	<u>930,891</u>
Net income		201,607	(3,000)	198,607	2,358,371
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains and losses					
Gains on revaluation of investments	12	275,475	-	275,475	(146,746)
Gains/(Losses) on disposal of investments	9	59,890	-	59,890	(4,093)
Net movement in funds		<u>536,972</u>	<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>533,972</u>	<u>2,207,532</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 1st January 2019		7,027,834	31,610	7,059,444	4,851,912
Total funds carried forward at 31st December 2019		<u>7,564,806</u>	<u>28,610</u>	<u>7,593,416</u>	<u>7,059,444</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 2019

	Note	2019 £	2018 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	11	3,025,303	1,952,612
Investments	12	2,684,578	2,327,066
		<u>5,709,881</u>	<u>4,279,678</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	13	1,041,322	2,591,205
Bank and other deposits		1,014,471	354,559
		<u>2,055,793</u>	<u>2,945,764</u>
LIABILITIES			
Amounts falling due within one year	14	172,258	165,998
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,883,535</u>	<u>2,779,766</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		7,593,416	7,059,444
NET ASSETS		<u><u>7,593,416</u></u>	<u><u>7,059,444</u></u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted:			
Free reserves		4,102,771	4,656,812
Revaluation reserve		502,877	274,086
Designated funds		2,959,158	2,096,936
		<u>7,564,806</u>	<u>7,027,834</u>
Restricted funds			
Endowed capital		28,610	31,610
Revaluation reserve		-	-
		<u>28,610</u>	<u>31,610</u>
	15	<u><u>7,593,416</u></u>	<u><u>7,059,444</u></u>

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 27 to 38 were authorised for issue by the directors on 23rd October 2020.

Signed on behalf of the directors by

D Cowen

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31st December 2019

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(c) and 2(k), 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) 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.

(c) 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.

(d) 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 2019

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

(e) 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.

(f) 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.

(g) 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.

(h) 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.

(i) 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 2019

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

(j) 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 assets under construction 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, plant and equipment	5% per annum straight line 10% per annum straight line 25% per annum straight line
Leasehold improvements	Over the term of the lease

(k) 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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	2019	2018
	£	£
3 DONATIONS		
<u>Unrestricted Donations</u>		
Donations from Masons, their Lodges and Chapters and Events	211,798	213,540
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	15,165	16,288
Donations to Hewlett Court	8,646	10,098
	<u>235,609</u>	<u>239,926</u>
Restricted donations	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
<u>Trading activity - Hewlett Court</u>	£	£
Income from residents	595,600	620,996
Residents contribution to medication administration	-	3,124
Sundry income	4,875	4,398
	<u>600,475</u>	<u>628,518</u>
5 INVESTMENT INCOME		
	£	£
Income from investments	63,248	84,354
Bank and Deposit interest	3,350	176
	<u>66,598</u>	<u>84,530</u>
Of the £66,598 received in 2019 (2018: £84,530) £Nil was restricted funds (2018: £Nil) and £66,598 (2018: £84,530) unrestricted funds.		
6 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
<u>Grants to individuals</u>	£	£
Masonic Charity Foundation	12,470	8,633
Other grants including Christmas and birthday gifts	47,754	40,563
Holidays paid for beneficiaries	26,116	26,133
Comforts fund	14,060	16,237
	<u>100,400</u>	<u>91,566</u>
Restricted Fund	<u>3,000</u>	<u>348</u>

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	2019	2018
	£	£
6 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE (Continued)		
Grant making committee grants	56,264	71,213
Other donations		
Masonic	5,000	15,000
Non-Masonic	14,000	9,666
	<u>19,000</u>	<u>24,666</u>
Trading activity - Hewlett Court:-		
Salaries, wages and related costs	305,979	277,919
Food and kitchen consumables	76,247	80,797
Repairs and renewals	57,193	72,071
Other property costs including heat, light, rates, water and insurance	80,219	63,926
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	26,577	34,286
Medication administration	4,536	12,521
Other expenses	46,659	40,391
	<u>597,410</u>	<u>581,911</u>

7 MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CHARITY

	Grant administration	Cost of raising voluntary income	Property expenses	Total costs
	£	£	£	£
2019				
Salaries, wages and related costs	16,420	6,900	-	23,320
Insurance	913	913	11,170	12,996
Rates and water rates	-	-	2,648	2,648
Other expenses	2,978	13,398	3,150	19,526
Depreciation	-	-	7,693	7,693
Governance costs (see note 8)	18,473	18,472	-	36,945
Support costs (see note 8)	9,239	9,238	-	18,477
	<u>48,023</u>	<u>48,921</u>	<u>24,661</u>	<u>121,605</u>
2018				
Salaries, wages and related costs	15,500	6,500	-	22,000
Insurance	891	891	6,245	8,027
Rates and water rates	-	-	(1,940)	(1,940)
Other expenses	2,837	31,018	10,801	44,656
Depreciation	-	-	-	-
Governance costs (see note 8)	23,830	23,829	-	47,659
Support costs (see note 8)	12,335	12,334	-	24,669
	<u>55,393</u>	<u>74,572</u>	<u>15,106</u>	<u>145,071</u>

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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 function	Total	
2019	£	£	£	
Salaries, wages and related costs	12,846	12,846	25,692	Estimate of time
Auditors remuneration	-	11,350	11,350	Governance
Auditors remuneration - other services	-	3,650	3,650	Governance
General office	5,631	5,630	11,261	Estimate of time
Committee expenses	-	195	195	Governance
Professional fees	-	-	-	Governance
Annual meeting	-	708	708	Governance
Bank charges	-	2,566	2,566	Governance
	<u>18,477</u>	<u>36,945</u>	<u>55,422</u>	
2018	£	£	£	
Salaries, wages and related costs	12,181	12,181	24,362	Estimate of time
Auditors remuneration	-	13,200	13,200	Governance
Auditors remuneration - other services	-	4,560	4,560	Governance
General office	12,488	12,487	24,975	Estimate of time
Committee expenses	-	109	109	Governance
Professional fees	-	1,800	1,800	Governance
Annual meeting	-	539	539	Governance
Bank charges	-	2,783	2,783	Governance
	<u>24,669</u>	<u>47,659</u>	<u>72,328</u>	

9 PROFIT ON DISPOSAL OF INVESTMENTS

	£	£
Proceeds	607,505	317,913
Less: Cost	<u>500,931</u>	<u>297,415</u>
Gains (losses) over historical cost	106,574	20,498
Less: Revaluation gains (losses) realised	<u>46,684</u>	<u>24,591</u>
Profits (Losses) over book value	<u>59,890</u>	<u>(4,093)</u>

10 NET INCOME / (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR

	£	£
Net Income/(Deficit) for the year is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - owned	34,270	34,286
Auditors remuneration	11,350	13,200
Auditors remuneration - non-audit services	<u>3,650</u>	<u>4,560</u>

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	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Leasehold Improvements £	Assets Under Construction £	Furniture, Plant and Equipment £	Total £
Cost					
As at 1st January 2019	732,462	1,070,835	-	532,913	2,336,210
Additions	-	52,362	1,003,289	51,310	1,106,961
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
As at 31st December 2019	<u>732,462</u>	<u>1,123,197</u>	<u>1,003,289</u>	<u>584,223</u>	<u>3,443,171</u>
Depreciation					
As at 1st January 2019	-	-	-	383,598	383,598
Charge for the year	-	7,693	-	26,577	34,270
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	-	-
As at 31st December 2019	<u>-</u>	<u>7,693</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>410,175</u>	<u>417,868</u>
Net Book Value					
As at 31st December 2019	<u>732,462</u>	<u>1,115,504</u>	<u>1,003,289</u>	<u>174,048</u>	<u>3,025,303</u>
As at 31st December 2018	<u>732,462</u>	<u>1,070,835</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>149,315</u>	<u>1,952,612</u>

During the year ended 31st December 2015 the Charity granted leases for 999 years for Manchester Hall. At the same time the Charity was granted an underlease back for the third floor of Manchester 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, plant and equipment are used for direct charitable purposes as part of the operating activities of the Charity. Authorised capital expenditure at 31st December 2019 amounted to £690,000 (2018 £1.6m).

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<u>CHARITY</u>	Freehold Land £	Holdings in Masonic Hall Companies £	Listed Securities £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
As at 1st January 2019	10,000	20	2,317,046	2,327,066
Investments purchased in year	-	-	629,652	629,652
Investments sold in year	-	-	(547,615)	(547,615)
Increase/(decrease) in market value	-	-	275,475	275,475
As at 31st December 2019	<u>10,000</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>2,674,558</u>	<u>2,684,578</u>
Historical cost as at 31st December 2019	<u>10,000</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>2,171,681</u>	<u>2,181,701</u>
Holdings in Masonic Hall Companies at cost:			2019	2018
			£	£
Blackburn Masonic Hall Company Limited			<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>

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

	2019	2018
	£	£
Sundry debtors	134,361	184,741
Prepayments and accrued income	6,961	1,506,464
	<u>141,322</u>	<u>1,691,205</u>

DEBTORS Amounts falling due after one year

	2019	2018
	£	£
Sundry debtors	900,000	900,000
	<u>900,000</u>	<u>900,000</u>

Total debtors

	<u>1,041,322</u>	<u>2,591,205</u>
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Sundry debtors include £95,574 (2018: £144,324) relating to monies held in an Escrow account for the purpose of carrying out refurbishment works to the third floor of Manchester Hall for which the Charity has been granted a 150 year underlease. Sundry debtors falling due after one year relate to the balance of a premium payable on the granting of a long lease of the Car Park land.

Prepayments and accrued income include £Nil (2018: £1,332,887) relating to a legacy recognised in the 2018 Statement of Financial Activities but not received until the 2019 financial year.

14 CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2019	2018
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	4,167	4,032
Sundry creditors	26,361	27,445
Accruals and deferred income	141,730	134,521
	<u>172,258</u>	<u>165,998</u>

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for the year ended 31st December 2019**15 ACCUMULATED FUNDS**

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

	Fund at 1st January 2019 £	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year £	Transfers between reserves £	Other recognised gains and losses £	Provision released on sale of investments £	Fund at 31st December 2019 £
Unrestricted						
General Reserve Charity	4,656,812	201,607	(862,222)	59,890	46,684	4,102,771
Revaluation Reserve	274,086	-	-	275,475	(46,684)	502,877
Designated Funds	2,096,936	-	862,222	-	-	2,959,158
	<u>7,027,834</u>	<u>201,607</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>335,365</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,564,806</u>
Restricted						
General Reserve Charity	31,610	(3,000)	-	-	-	28,610
Revaluation Reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>31,610</u>	<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,610</u>
Total Funds	<u>7,059,444</u>	<u>198,607</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>335,365</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,593,416</u>

The balances on Revaluation Reserves represent unrealised gains on investments.

The designated funds represent:-

Fixed assets

Manchester Hall development contribution

	2019 £	2018 £
Fixed assets	3,025,303	1,952,612
Manchester Hall development contribution	95,574	144,324
	<u>3,120,877</u>	<u>2,096,936</u>

Analysis of movements in restricted fund

	Fund at 1st January 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between reserves £	Other recognised gains and losses £	Provision released on sale of investments £	Fund at 31st December 2019 £
Disaster Relief Fund	<u>31,610</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,610</u>

Description and purpose of the restricted funds

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:

	£	£
Cash and deposits	28,610	31,610
	<u>28,610</u>	<u>31,610</u>

17 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	£	£
Within one year	2,236	2,811
Between one and five years	562	1,983
	<u>2,798</u>	<u>4,794</u>

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The average monthly head count for the Charity was 26 staff (2018: 26 staff) and the average number of full time equivalent employees (including casual and part time staff) during the year was as follows:-

	2019	2018
	Number	Number
Main charity	2	2
Hewlett Court	15	15
	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>
	<u><u>17</u></u>	<u><u>17</u></u>
Total remuneration during the year amounted to:	2019	2018
	£	£
Wages and salaries	337,383	306,673
Social Security Costs	12,545	12,545
Pension costs	5,063	5,063
	<u>354,991</u>	<u>324,281</u>
	<u><u>354,991</u></u>	<u><u>324,281</u></u>
Allocation:		
Direct charitable expenditure -		
Trading activity - Hewlett Court	305,979	277,919
Grant administration	16,420	15,500
Cost of raising voluntary income	6,900	6,500
Governance and support (see note 8)	25,692	24,362
	<u>354,991</u>	<u>324,281</u>
	<u><u>354,991</u></u>	<u><u>324,281</u></u>

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

One of the Directors/Trustees has been paid remuneration from an employment with the Charity. Remuneration of £35,123 and pension contributions of £966 were paid to J Ward in accordance with an employment contract and related to duties as an employee of the charity rather than as a Director/Trustee.

LIST OF DONATIONS GIVEN: -

In the year ended 31st December 2019

MASONIC DONATIONS

Mark 2021 Festival £5,000

TOTAL MASONIC DONATIONS **£5,000**

PGM DISCRETIONARY FUND

South Yorkshire Community Foundation £2,000

OTHER DONATIONS

Life for Lifelites £2,000

Police Arboretum £5,000

Broughton House £5,000

TOTAL OTHER DONATIONS IN 2019 **£14,000**

GRANT MAKING COMMITTEE GRANTS

Cheetham Scout & Guide Group **£1,560**
To repair the roof

Douglas Bader Foundation **£750**
To cover the cost of Bader Brave Activity Bags

Rochdale Triathlon Club **£570**
To purchase a bike box

Middleton Masonic Hall **£852**
To purchase a defibrillator

Bury Hospice **£797**
To purchase a medical notes trolley

St Ann's Hospice **£1,462**
To purchase 'on ward' hand washing facility

Teddies for Loving Care **£233**
To purchase teddies for distribution in local hospitals

Mossley Community Association **£500**
Towards cost of refurbishing kitchen area

Greswell Primary School **£1,220**
To purchase sports uniforms

44th Bury (R.O.B.O.T) Scout Group	£2,500
Contribution towards the cost of a toilet upgrade	
Graces Place	£2,500
To purchase equipment (MCF Match Funded)	
St Ann's Hospice	£2,875
To purchase hand washing equipment (MCF Match Funded)	
George Barton World Challenge	£250
Contribution towards cost of exhibition	
Greater Manchester Magistrates Association	£550
To help reduce/prevent knife crime in Salford	
Teddies for Loving Care	£750
To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	
Castleton Health & Leisure Centre	£5,000
To provide changing rooms for proposed hydro pool	
Inspiration Station	£550
To purchase PC, printer and inks	
Ethan Naisbitt	£1,570
To fund kit and training towards entry into Paralympics in Tokyo in 2020	
St Joseph's RC Primary School	£2,000
To purchase books for school library	
Rochdale Connection Trust	£1,289
To purchase furniture for re-furbished reception area	
The Gables, Shaw Masonic Hall	£800
To purchase a defibrillator	
Bolton Mountain Rescue	£1,000
Contribution towards cost of mid-layer clothing	
Lottie Eye Gaze	£1,000
Donation towards purchase of Eye Gaze	
Moorside Cricket & Bowling Club	£2,000
To purchase various items to upgrade catering	
Friermere Cricket Club	£500
A contribution towards the cost of a cricket bowling machine	
Mahdlo	£900
To purchase materials for a raised garden project	
Greater Manchester Magistrates Association	£1,950
To support the knife crime prevention initiative	
Muscular Dystrophy UK	£900
A grant to assist staging of a concert	

Cotton Shed Theatre Company To purchase various media equipment	£2,300
PIE UK CIC To purchase stationery & workshop resources	£1,110
River Wardley Appeal Towards cost of moving to a new home	£2,295
Friendship Group To assist with the cost of coach hire	£850
Teddies for Loving Care To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	£336
St Ann's Hospice To purchase a specialist bed	£1,250
Mood swings To purchase various items for a cafe	£1,005
Springside Primary School To purchase various gardening products	£883
Noah's A.R.T To purchase a sensory projector	£169
Community First Responders To purchase training equipment for defibrillator use	£548
Bury Athletic Club To assist in purchasing gym equipment for outdoor use	£2,500
Tameside A & E To purchase two TV/DVD Combos	£403
Dr Kershaw & Willow Wood To purchase a car for an all lady exhibition to Benidorm	£1,300
Child Action North West To assist support of Emotional Health Concert	£2,000
Boomerang To assist in funding a special needs sensory room	£2,501
Teddies for Loving Care To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	£117
Teddies for Loving Care To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	£2,500
Blackburn Eagles To purchase trophies and medals	£1,200
Teddies for Loving Care To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	£117

Teddies for Loving Care	£600
To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	
Teddies for Loving Care	£117
To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	
Teddies for Loving Care	£117
To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	
Teddies for Loving Care	<u>£218</u>
To provide teddies for distribution in local hospitals	
	£61,264
Bowley Scout Camp return of grant	<u>(£5,000)</u>
TOTAL GRANT MAKING COMMITTEE GRANTS 2019	<u>£56,264</u>

National Masonic Charities – Statistics 2019

Masonic Charitable Foundation approved grants to the value of £499,100 to 212 Beneficiaries:

Financial Support	£207,758 to 83 Beneficiaries
Family/Education	£86,588 to 48 Beneficiaries
Health	£68,393 to 72 Beneficiaries
Family/Residential Care	£136,361 to 9 Beneficiaries

Non-Masonic Grants

Hospices - £13,410 for nine Hospices

£1,200	Bolton Hospice
£1,440	Bury Hospice
£1,655	Dr Kershaw's Hospice
£1,550	East Lancashire Hospice
£1,550	Hospice Care for Burnley and Pendle
£1,000	Rosendale Hospice
£1,875	Springhill Hospice (Rochdale)
£1,985	St Ann's Hospice (Little Hulton)
£1,155	Willow Wood Hospice

Other Non-Masonic Grants - £37,100

£4,000	Northwest Air Ambulance Charity
£17,500	Bolton Hospice – Hospice UK Partnership
£7,600	Lagan's Foundation
£3,750	St Ann's Hospice
£2,500	Forget Me Not Children's Hospice
£1,750	Boomerang