REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1168134

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED
31 JULY 2017
FOR
ST CUTHBERT'S SOCIETY JUNIOR COMMON ROOM

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2017

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 1 January 2016 to 31 July 2017. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).,

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS Registered Charity number

1168134

Principal address

Durham University St. Cuthbert Society 12 South Bailey Durham Co. Durham DH1 3EE

Trustees

(* indicates student trustees)

T Hutton Jan 2016 - Dec 2016 **B** Harrison Jan 2016 - Dec 2017 D White (Chair) Jan 2016- Dec 2018 T Chapman Jan 2016 - present J Dodd Aug 2018 - present May 2019 - present J Exon May 2019 - present S Barnett May 2019 - present T Collingridge Jan 2016 - Aug 2017 F Maxwell* Aug 2016- Aug 2017 C Rousell* J Fox* Aug 2016- Aug 2017 J Plaut* Dec 2016 - Dec 2018 S Wooton-Cane* Aug 2018 - present D Takyi* Aug 2018 - present C Clarke* Aug 2018 - present

Independent examiner

Robert Ribchester ACA Ribchesters, Chartered Accountants Finchale House, Belmont Business Park Durham City, DH1 1TW.

Throughout the period the organisation was controlled by its governing document - the St Cuthbert's Society JCR Constitution - adopted on 01 January 2016. The St Cuthbert's Society JCR Constitution required there to be a minimum of three external trustees, and up to 5 external trustees and up to 3 student trustees. The external trustees were appointed by interview, the student trustees were appointed by election. The term of trustees was a maximum of 4 years for external trustees and 1 year for student trustees. External trustees could serve a maximum of 2 terms. Student trustees could serve a maximum of 2 terms.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Throughout the period the charity was controlled by its governing document, the St Cuthbert's Society JCR Constitution, ratified and adopted on 01 January 2016 and constituted an unincorporated charity.

The JCR was registered as an independent charity on 08 July 2016 (registered number 1168134).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

Student Trustees are elected with a vote of members following a general meeting. External Trustees are voted upon in general meetings of the Trustee Board, holding their position for up to four years. Trustees are given in house training on their responsibilities as well as the governing structure of Cuth's JCR. Training is delivered by the Chair of Trustees. The day to day management of the charity is undertaken by the JCR Executive committee, chaired by the President of the Society.

Organisational structure

The JCR elects members to serve on the JCR Executive Committee which acts as a Management Committee. The JCR Executive meets at least bi-termly and there are various sub committees including those for finance, arts, the shop, the environment, charities etc. All policy, planning and major financial or strategic decisions must be ratified by the JCR at large having been discussed by the JCR Executive who may seek guidance from the Trustees when appropriate. Operational decisions on a day to day basis are made by the appropriate people who have responsibility for their areas of activity, such as the shop.

Related parties

The JCR is a member of the Durham Students Union and consequently the National Union of Students both of which provides wider representation for associates and also offers guidance and support.

The JCR is partnered with the University of Durham which provides space and facilities to members. We take on some joint activities mainly through the college of St Cuthbert Society which is part of the University of Durham, such as open days, academic and social events. We accept funding from University of Durham on a per member basis. We have strong links with the Senior Common Room, Fellows of St Cuthbert Society and the Association of St Cuthbert Society who are attached to the University of Durham.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

We provide social, cultural, sporting and recreational activities and forums for discussion and debate for the personal development of students. We are also committed to equality by pursuing equal opportunities and equal access policies to our members in line with our democratic operation.

Significant activities

The Society ran a number of successful social events, furthering the social education of our members. These include annual diners held in March, a music festival in June and a Ball in November.

We continue to provide services and facilities for our students, including peer support for personal issues, sports teams and societies, gym, library and IT provision and representation of student views at a College level. The emphasis on these, as with all other activities of the JCR, is that of student leadership and ownership. Our members are expected and encouraged to initiate, participate in and lead our activities.

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Public benefit

We have adopted a strong democratic constitution that places its operation securely in its members. This structure allows us to work for the public benefit. Our standpoints on equality and openness allow us to foster a culture of acceptance amongst members, many of whom volunteers in some capacity for the benefit of others in the University or as part of the JCR which allows us to be strong members of the local and academic community. We keep this public benefit in mind when organising large social events that are open to all members of the public, support the welfare of our students so they can continue to work at their studies and remain part of the community in Durham. When we fund Sports and Societies this allows members to try new sports or interests that they would not have had the opportunity to do. We have many volunteer positions that are elected, allowing anyone to apply regardless of experience and enrich the community as well as benefit them. We also take no political stance other than to represent our members in order to maintain an inclusionary policy. We operate library and gym facilities that can be accessed by our members to enhance their educational or recreational activities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

As these financial statements indicate, the Charity has a sound financial base. One of the aims of the Trustees is to secure the long term future of the Charity by careful and prudent management of its assets. As at 31 July 2017 the Charity had net assets of £172,354 and it is the opinion of the trustees that the existing reserves are sufficient to meet any reduction in incoming resources in the foreseeable future.

RESERVES POLICY

We aim to hold reserves almost equal to that of the Levy and the University Grant ensuring that we could continue to meet our financial commitments to the Sports and Societies and contractual obligations to our sole employee if we received no funding from the University and none was donated by our members. Currently we expect no such change but due to the financial year being spread over two academic years and funding be supplied on an academic year basis we consider this prudent as changes of policy by the University could have an impact on numbers of students donating and University funding received. Furthermore, we aim to hold enough in reserves to cover support, our physical assets for financial security and unforeseen damages.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

A target for the coming year is to place resources and interest in developing Outreach and charitable work within the local community and on a larger scale. A committee has been set up to consider our options in this area and we are hopeful that significant work can be done, both to benefit members of the community and our own members' personal development.

Further, we intend to continue to run financially in a satisfactory manner, holding appropriate reserves and investing in activities which will further our charitable objectives.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Date: |7/05/19

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ST CUTHBERT'S SOCIETY JUNIOR COMMON ROOM

I report on the accounts for the period ended 31 July 2017 set out on pages five to eight.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of Sections 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Robert Ribchester, ACA MA Ribchesters, Chartered Accountants Finchale House, Belmont Business Park,

Durham City, DH1 1TW

Date:

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2017

The Statement of Financial Activities ("SOFA") below summarises the financial activities of the charity for the period ended 31 July 2017.

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2017 Total funds	2015 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM: Donations and grants Charitable and trading activities	2	1,625 320,830	<u> </u>	1,625 320,830	3,620 167,427
Total incoming resources		322,455	· -	322,455	171,047
RESOURCES EXPENDED Costs of raising funds Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold and of costs	ther	3,042	-	3,042	8,716
Charitable activities Costs of charitable activities	3A	242,956	-	242,956	143,580
Total resources expended		245,998	-	245,998	152,296
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		76,457	-	76,457	18,751
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		95,897		95,897	77,146
AVAILABLE TOTAL FUNDS		172,354		172,354	95,897
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		172,354		172,354	95,897

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 July 2017

CUBDENT ACCETO	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2017 Total funds £	2015 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	4	49,719 134,046	<u>-</u>	49,719 134,046	11,323 88,816
		183,765		183,765	100,139
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	5	(11,411)	-	(11,411)	(4,242)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		172,354		172,354	95,897
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		172,354	_	172,354	95,897
NET ASSETS		<u>172,354</u>	·-	172,354	95,897
FUNDS Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	6			172,354 	95,897
TOTAL FUNDS				172,354	95,897

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on Oglos 19... and were signed on its behalf by:

.. -Trustee

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2017

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Incoming resources

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

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds could only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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

2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2017	2015
	£	£
Social events income	154,315	85,417
Levies	138,563	52,932
Facilities income	-	1,052
Merchandise income	3,887	1,891
Sports and societies subscriptions income	24,065	24,804
Bar income		1,331
	320,830	167,427

3A. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct costs	Support costs (See note 3B)	Totals
	£	£	£
Costs of charitable activities	240,126	2,830	242,956

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2017

3B. SUPPORT COSTS

	Costs of charitable activities			Governance costs £ 2,830
4.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DU	E WITHIN ONE YEAR	2017	2015
			£	£
	Other debtors Prepayments		43,218 1,102	8,400 1,493
	Taxation		5,399	1,493
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			49,719	11,323
5.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING	DHE WITHIN ONE VEAD		
J.	CREDITORS, AMOUNTS PADEING	OUE WITHIN ONE LEAK	2017	2015
	Other creditors		£	£
	Other Creditors		<u>11,411</u>	4,242
			<u>11,411</u>	4,242
6.	MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			
			Net movement	
		At 1.1.16	in funds	At 31.7.17
	Unrestricted funds	£	£	£
	General fund	95,897	76,457	172,354
	TOTAL FUNDS	95,897	76,457	172,354
	Net movement in funds, included in the ab	ove are as follows:		
		Incoming	Resources	Movement in
		resources	expended	funds
	Unrestricted funds	£	£	£
	Part 1	189,968	(142,074)	47,894
	Part 2	132,487	(103,924)	28,563
	TOTAL FUNDS	322,455	(245,998)	76,457

7. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity is controlled by its board of trustees.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	2017 £	2015 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Donations and grants		
Donations University grants	1625	1,549 2,071
	1,625	3,620
Charitable and trading activities Social events income	154,315	85,417
Levies Facilities income	138,563	52,932 1,052
Merchandise income Sports, clubs and societies income	3,887 24,065	7,389
Bar income		19,306 1,331
	320,830	167,427
Total incoming resources	322,455	171,047
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold and other costs		
Merchandise purchases	3,042	8,716
Charitable activities Sports, clubs and societies expenditure	63,248	46,208
Social events expenditure Welfare	129,768	70,622
Administration expenditure including wages	376 39,733	521 19,037
Facilities expenditure Committees and awards	6,412 252	5,243
Insurance Entertaining	337	299
	240,126	141,930
Support costs Accountancy	2,830	1,650
Total resources expended	245,998	152,296
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Net incoming/(outgoing) resources	76,457	18,751

