

# THE STRATFORD UPON AVON SOCIETY

REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 251182

## Financial Report 31 December 2023

Bank position at: 31 December 2023.

Deposit Account	£19,884.68	Current Account	£ 124.63	<b>£20,009.31</b>
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**Receipts** for the year of £10,227 (£16,425) included £6,536 (£11,900) for restricted funds and £3,691 (£4,525) from general activities.

Amounts held for **Plaques** have been increased to provide for a further six where the Society will underwrite up to half the cost - £3,000 extra in total. Two plaques from the initial batch are awaiting installation, one more is being redesigned. Dates from dendrochronology are also key. A further two plaques making a total of eight were identified for designation after the year end bringing the designation to £4,000 in 2024.

The second payment for the **dendrochronology** project, £5,480, was received, funds can only be spent on the cost plan agreed with HISTORIC ENGLAND to deliver the project. Within the year £4,242 was spent on the project, leaving £6,749 restricted reserves. The four-year project has a grant approval totaling £41,105 for the period to September 2025. The pace of delivery is complex with a wide range of stakeholders for each building needing to agree access. The budget will need to be slipped, something Historic England anticipates.

In January 2023 a £50 donation to the **Marie Corelli Fund** was received. As we enter the centenary year there is a £596 balance of excess donations available for planned events, for which further funds will need to be set aside and grant applications made in early 2024.

The **Historic Spine** leaflet reprinted at a cost of £575 in December 2022, amounted to £360 sales within the year - £480 by January 2024 – we would expect sales of at least £360 in 2024.

**Gift aid** received in 2022 - £1,050 covered three years. The £377 received in 2023 relates solely to members opting to gift aid donations made within the calendar year.

**Membership** receipts before gift aid exceeded 2022, totaling £2,422 (£2418) and the position in January 2024 indicates expected renewals will mean a slight increase in the year ahead. The General Committee has discussed plans to further promote membership to improve on that.

## Reserves net

Trustees will further review the level of reserves appropriate in the year ahead. Budgeting for the Corelli centenary project reveals a likely call on the general reserves, even if a grant supporting the project can be secured. Events will take place in May 2024.

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	<b>£</b>
<b>Cash Position @ 31st December2023</b>	<b>20,009</b>
Held for Stratfire	6,749
Held for Corelli Fund	596
Held for Plaques	2,006
<b>Restricted reserves</b>	<b>9,351</b>
<b>Designated for Plaques</b>	<b>5,050</b>
<b>General reserves</b>	<b>5,608</b>
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>20,009</b>

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## Receipts and Payments Account for year ending - 31 December 2023

	<i>Restricted Unrestricted</i>		<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
			<b>Total</b>	
			<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Subscriptions		2,422	2,422	2,418
Stratfire	5,480		5,480	10,000
Plaques	1,006		1,006	1,900
Corelli Fund	50		50	-
Gift Aid		377	377	1,109
Sales - misc		360	360	645
Visits & attendance		345	345	335
Bank Interest		187	187	18
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>6,536</b>	<b>3,691</b>	<b>10,227</b>	<b>16,425</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Governance &amp; admin</b>				
Insurance		395	395	395
AGM		75	75	75
Inspection		312	312	288
Committee Meeting expenses		151	151	97
commission and charges		9	9	10
	-	942	942	865
<b>Talks, Presentations and communications</b>				
Zoom Fees		144	144	144
Promotion		40	40	159
Website		300	300	300
Members meeting expenses		736	736	150
	-	1,220	1,220	753
<b>Events and Visits</b>				
2022 Events		-	-	700
Clifford Manor		150	150	
Plaque event		76	76	
Shakespeare's Return		238	238	
Christmas Party		322	322	417
	-	786	786	1,117
<b>Projects</b>				
Stratfire	4,242		4,242	4,489
Pavement plaques	50	574	624	4,250
Historic Spine	-	-	-	575
	4,292	574	4,866	9,314
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>4,292</b>	<b>3,522</b>	<b>7,814</b>	<b>12,049</b>
<b>Net of (Payments)/ Receipts</b>	<b>2,244</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>2,413</b>	<b>4,376</b>
<b>Funds at 31st December 2022</b>	<b>6,561</b>	<b>11,035</b>	<b>17,596</b>	<b>13,220</b>
<b>Funds at 31st December 2023</b>	<b>8,805</b>	<b>11,204</b>	<b>20,009</b>	<b>17,596</b>

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## Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2023

	2023	2022		
	£	£		
<b>ASSETS - Cash funds</b>				
Barclays Bank - Current Account	125	2,509		
Barclays Bank - Deposit Account	19,885	15,087		
Total Cash	<u>20,009</u>	<u>17,596</u>		
Creditors	-	-		
Total assets	<u>20,009</u>	17,596		
<b>RESERVES</b>				
	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Unrestricted</i>	2023	2022
			£	£
<b>Stratfire</b>	6,749		6,749	5511
Plaques Donations	2,006		2,006	1,050
Plaques Designated		5,050	5,050	2,050
Marie Corelli Fund	596		596	546
General Reserve		5,608	5,608	8,439
<b>Reserves at 31 December 2023</b>	<u>9,351</u>	<u>10,658</u>	<u>20,009</u>	<u>17,596</u>

Approved by the Board on 18 March 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Jann Tracy

**Chair of Trustees**

Jonathan Devereux

**Honorary Treasurer and Trustee**