

Friends of St Paul's Cathedral

Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

Registered Charity No. 261905

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Reference and Administration Details

Registered Charity Name

Friends of St Paul's Cathedral

Charity Number

261905

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Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Gloucester GCVO

Presidents

The Lord Bishop of London & The Lord Mayor of London

Council

Members of Chapter

The Revd Canon Dr Neil Evans (Chair) (appointed 13 July 2022)

Sheila Nicoll

Appointed by Chapter

Elizabeth Foy Niul Dillon Hatcher

Elected at the Annual General Meeting or by Council

Yodia Lo (re-appointed at the AGM on 13 July 2022, Vice-Chair from

11 January 2023)

Samuel Ennis (Honorary Treasurer from 21 September 2022) Mike Tadman (re-appointed at the AGM on 13 July 2022)

Alexander (Sandy) Hendry (appointed at the AGM on 13 July 2022) Alexandra Scott (appointed by Council on 21 September 2022)

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Report of Council for the year ended 31 December 2022

Council presents their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's governing documents, the Charities Act 2011 and 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 effective from 1 January 2019.

History of the Friends of St Paul's

A Cathedral dedicated to St Paul has overlooked the City of London since 604 AD and is probably the fifth to occupy this site. The current Cathedral was designed by Sir Christopher Wren and built between 1675 and 1710 after the Great Fire of 1666 had destroyed its predecessor.

When raids on London began during World War I, a group of men and women who loved the current Cathedral formed the St Paul's Fire Watch to patrol the building. They re-formed during World War II, inviting their friends and families to join them to guard the Cathedral each night. The Watch was disbanded at the end of the war.

The Friends of St Paul's took root from the Watch and was formally founded on Tuesday 29 April 1952 with 84 members. The Friends' first Festival Service on Thursday 21 May 1953 was attended by HM The Queen Mother who was Patron from 1952 until 2002, succeeded by HRH The Duchess of Gloucester GCVO.

The whole cathedral community is most grateful to Her Royal Highness for her dedication to the whole Cathedral and to the Friends and the choristers in particular.

Objects and Activities

The Friends of St Paul's have the twin aims of fellowship and fundraising and exist to promote the work of the Cathedral through prayer and support often in both time and money.

Its objects include contributing to the preservation of the fabric of St Paul's Cathedral; the maintenance of the Cathedral and its buildings; the ornaments and furnishings; the services held in the Cathedral; the musical foundation and the library.

Council aims to achieve these objects by promoting the benefits of the Cathedral's Friends membership. These include receiving a quarterly newsletter sent out by email, the opportunity to participate in activities and events for supporters and contributing to the awarding of financial grants to Chapter (The Corporation of the Cathedral Church of St Paul in London).

There were approximately 1,900 (2021: 1,900) Friends members as at 31 December 2022, of which approximately 680 (2021: 680) were lifetime members and of which, over ninety five percent were living in the United Kingdom. St Paul's receives little regular or significant funding from the state, but the cost of maintaining it is high. Contributions from Friends — through their subscriptions and additional Gift-Aided donations, or through a gift in a Will — are most gratefully received by Chapter.

Friends benefit from free admission to the Cathedral, a 10% discount in the Cathedral shop, reserved seats by application for certain Cathedral events and a quarterly e-newsletter of news about the Cathedral and its work. From time to time, there are also opportunities to enjoy activities such as lectures and Friends-exclusive social events at additional cost.

Structure, Governance and Management

On 4 January 1971 Friends of St Paul's Cathedral was registered with the Charity Commission, and its Governing Document was established on 20 October 1971 by a Scheme of the Charity Commission.

In 2013 a thorough constitutional review was undertaken by Wilsons, retained by the Friends Council, in order to comply with best practice and new Charities Act legislation. An Amended Scheme was approved on 21 May 2013 and more detailed associated rules and regulations on 5 May 2015.

The Council as Trustees are responsible under the Governing Document for controlling the management and administration of the Friends. Council meets at least three times a year, and the members of Council give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits.

The Friends Council consists of two members of the Chapter, one of whom will be Chairman or Vice Chairman, and not more than nine members of the Friends of whom three will be appointed by Chapter, and six will be elected at the Annual General Meeting. The Honorary Treasurer is appointed from within that group.

The names of those currently serving on Council are given on page 2. During 2022 the following Council members stepped down due to retirement and/or at the end of their period of office. Retiring at the AGM in July 2022: Dr Phillip Rice; Mr Robert Palmer and Mrs Jean Reed. Retiring in September 2022: The Very Reverend Dr David Ison.

Achievements and Performance

In recognition of the Friends support, events are typically held throughout the year which provide us with the opportunity to come together as Friends and as a community. The Friends were delighted to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the organisation in April 2022, with the first in-person event since 2020. At this anniversary event the Friends enjoyed lectures on the St Paul's Watch from fellow Friends and Cathedral Volunteers and had the opportunity to view artefacts from the archives which were used in the 70th Anniversary online exhibition. The artefacts were kindly curated by the Cathedral Archivist. The event was well attended, and the Friends enjoyed complimentary refreshments followed by Evensong attended by the Patron, HRH the Duchess of Gloucester. On the same day at 9am the Friends 70th Anniversary Online Exhibition went live and a link to view was sent to all Friends members. We give thanks to all involved, including our Patron and The Very Reverend Dr David Ison, former Dean of St Paul's.

The decision was taken to hold the AGM in person this year and the Friends gathered in July, in the OBE Chapel in the Crypt of St Pauls. After the AGM the Friends were treated to a lecture 'Medieval Pilgrimage: Faith, Fun, or Folly' from Nicholas Orme, Emeritus Professor of History at Exeter University. The Friends then had the opportunity to catch up with fellow members over tea and coffee. The Membership Manager organised for reserved seats under the Dome where the Friends enjoyed a wonderful Evensong and Chorister recital in the presence of our Patron, HRH the Duchess of Gloucester.

September saw the first Outside tour of St Paul's, an exclusive event for the Friends. Volunteer guides and fellow Friends took us on a fascinating tour of the history of the Outside of the Cathedral. Refreshments were served in the Crypt at the end of the tour. The Friends had another opportunity to learn more about the St Paul's Watch and in particular Harry Sharr, who held the impressive resume of being a member of the Cathedral's Works department, a member of the St Paul's Watch as well as a founding member of the Friends. We thank David Morse for his time and providing the talk.

The Friends were once again given priority booking access to Handel's Messiah, which was performed twice at the Cathedral in 2022, and to the Celebration of Christmas carol concert. The Advent service proved very popular amongst Friends with 150 seats reserved under the Dome.

Achievements and Performance continued

In 2023 we will celebrate the 300th anniversary of Sir Christopher Wren. The Friends can look forward to the re-opening of the great Library with an exclusive tour of the Triforium. There will also be an exhibition celebrating Wren which will open in the Crypt in May and admission to this will be free with Friends membership. In April the Friends will also have the opportunity to preview the exhibition with a private tour, ahead of the general public.

The Friends have generously contributed to the Safeguarding of the Whispering Gallery which we also look forward to re-opening in 2023.

We hope to run the Outside tour of St Paul's again in 2023 as this was extremely successful and very well attended. The Friends Festival will once again be held in July, where we will enjoy a lecture, Choral Evensong and a Chorister Recital held under Wren's magnificent Dome and in the presence of the Patron HRH, the Duchess of Gloucester.

The Friends Council met three times during 2022 and financial grants were made to support the work and mission of the Cathedral.

Financial Review, Reserves and Investment Policies

The financial results are set out on pages 12 to 19.

Net Expenditure and Funds

Net expenditure for the year was £103,455 (2021: net expenditure of £72,631)

Funds amounted to £196,965 at 31 December 2022 (2021: £300,420).

Voluntary Income

The level of voluntary income was £65,302 (2021: £97,807).

Considerable time and resources continue to be freely given by many Friends. Through their dedicated commitment to this great Cathedral of St Paul they provide invaluable voluntary help, support and advice, whilst performing a huge amount of work and activity behind the scenes.

Grants awarded to St Paul's Cathedral

During the year grants were made to the Cathedral as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Grants to St Paul's Cathedral for Choristers	11,247	10,000
Grants to St Paul's Cathedral Schools & Families	20,000	20,000
Organ Transmission grant	-	1,541
Grant to St Paul's Cathedral for the Remember Me Covid-19 memorial	-	50,000
Grant to St Paul's Cathedral for Whispering Gallery Safety	100,000	50,000
_	131,247	131,541

Reserves Policy

In January 2023, Council reviewed the reserves policy. It was agreed that funds raised should generally be expended as soon as possible on the objects of the Friends, subject to maintaining a target level of free reserves. The target level of free reserves was agreed at £40,000 to approximately cover the annual running costs of the Friends, thereby allowing for an orderly closure of the Charity in unforeseen circumstances.

At the January 2023 Council meeting it was agreed that under the new policy, grants to the Cathedral each year would be made at a level to maintain the year-end free reserves close to the target level. Prior to this change, the reserves policy (last reviewed in May 2014) had been to hold minimum free reserves of £100,000.

As at 31 December 2022 the total funds of the charity were £196,965 (2021: £300,420). Of the total reserves £136,905 were unrestricted (2021: £240,360). Under the new reserves policy, as at 31 December 2022 unrestricted reserves were above the minimum free reserves target of £40,000 by £96,905. At the January 2023 meeting, Council agreed that this excess (£96,905) should be granted to the Cathedral towards the Whispering Gallery Safety project. As this was agreed by Council after the year-end this amount will be accounted for within 2023 grant expenditure.

Investment Policy

The funds held by the Friends are essentially of a short-term nature, held so as to be available to make grants to the Cathedral. Therefore, the policy is for these funds to be invested in the CCLA's COIF Charities Deposit Fund, which principally invests in sterling denominated Call Accounts, Term Deposits and Money Market Instruments and follows an ethical investment policy consistent with the Friends' objectives.

Five Year Financial Summary

Financial Year End	Income	Expenditure	Surplus/(Deficit)	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
31 December 2018	97,168	115,739	(18,571)	387,440
31 December 2019	81,172	94,298	(13,126)	374,314
31 December 2020	74,082	75,345	(1,263)	373,051
31 December 2021	98,027	170,658	(72,631)	300,420
31 December 2022	68,060	171,515	(103,455)	196,965

Future Plans

Council will continue to encourage Friends in their support of Cathedral activities. As explained above, under the new reserves policy, the expectation is to award grants to the Cathedral annually at a level such that the minimum free reserves are in line with the target figure, to be reviewed each year.

Statement of Council's Responsibilities

Charity law requires Council as Trustees to prepare a trustees' annual report and financial statements for each financial year which show a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operational existence.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Council are fully aware of the guidance from Charity Commissioners under the Charities Act 2011 in relation to Public Benefits and are mindful of their obligations to have regard to this. The Council are confident the Friends' activities are in pursuit of its objects and are delivering Public Benefit

Independent Auditors

West Wake Price LLP, who had previously acted as auditors to the Friends of St Paul's Cathedral, were reappointed by Council.

Conclusion

Council express sincere appreciation to all members of the Friends of St Paul's for their loyalty, support and encouragement.

By Order of the Council

The Revd Canon Dr Neil Evans

Chair

27 March 2023

Independent Auditors' Report to the Council

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Friends of St Paul's Cathedral for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Statement of Financial Position and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 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 Charity's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for 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 charity 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 those 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 Council's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Council 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.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Council are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Independent Auditors' Report to the Council (continued)

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.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Council's report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of the Council

As explained more fully in the Council's responsibilities statement (set out on page 6 and 7 of the Council's annual report), the Council 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 the Council determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made of having effect thereunder.

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.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or
 error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is
 sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material
 misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve
 collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that
 are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness
 of the internal control.

Independent Auditors' Report to the Council (continued)

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Council's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Based on our understanding of the charity, we identified that the principal risks of non compliance with laws and regulations related to the regulatory framework for charities, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011, Charities SORP FRS102.

We evaluated the Council's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) and determined that the overall risk is low because with regard to income, which is predominantly voluntary, is mostly received by direct debits and standing orders or by cheques in respect of legacies which are promptly banked. All expenses are verified by the Finance Manager. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Review of the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- Discussions with management including consideration of known or suspected instances of noncompliance with laws and regulation and fraud;
- Evaluating the Council's controls designed to prevent and detect irregularities;
- Identifying and testing journals and evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by the Council that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud:
- Review of other correspondence with the Finance Manager.

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 Council of Friends of St Paul's Cathedral, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Council of Friends of St Paul's Cathedral those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Friends of St Paul's Cathedral and its Council as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

West Wake Price LLP

Statutory Auditors
Chartered Accountants

Date: 27 March 2023

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West Wake Price LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022	2021
		£	£
Income			
Voluntary Income			
Subscriptions		43,512	35,625
Donations		18,208	30,072.
Legacies	3	3,582	32,110
		65,302	97,807
Activities for generating funds - Events & Activities	4	785	-
Interest Received		1,973	220
Total Income		68,060	98,027
Expenditure			
Expenditure on Raising Funds			
Staff Costs	6	35,000	35,000
Costs of Events & Activities		391	•
Printing and Mailing Costs		1,280	1,253
Administration		720	-
Audit Fee		2,500	2,280
Bank Charges		377	584
		40,268	39,117
Expenditure on Charitable Activities			
Grants to St Paul's Cathedral	5	131,247	131,541
	_	131,247	131,541
Total Expenditure	*******	171,515	170,658
Net Expenditure		(103,455)	(72,631)
Reconciliation of Funds			
Total Funds brought forward		300,420	373,051
Total Funds carried forward		196,965	300,420

The notes on pages 14 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022	2021
		£	£
Current Assets			
Debtors	7	2,741	44,317
CBF Deposit Account		151,954	149,981
Cash at bank and in hand		47,448	108,402
Total		202,143	302,700
Current Liabilities	-		
Accruals	8	2,500	2,280
Amounts owing to St Paul's Cathedral	9	1,478	-
Sundry Creditors	9	1,200	-
Total		5,178	2,280
Net Current Assets		196,965	300,420
Net Assets	-	196,965	300,420
Funds of the Charity			
Restricted Funds		60,060	60,060
Unrestricted Funds		136,905	240,360
Total Funds		196,965	300,420

The financial statements on pages 12 to 19 were approved by Council on 27 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

The Revd Canon Dr Neil Evans

Samuel Ennis CA ATT (Fellow)
Honorary Treasurer

The notes on pages 14 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

I. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The accounts have been prepared under the historical convention. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 SORP) and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

In accordance with FRS 102 section 7.1B, the charity is entitled to exemption from preparing a statement of cash flows.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the trust's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Income

Where income has related expenditure (as with events, activities and merchandise) the income and related expenditure are reported gross.

Income from subscriptions, donations, events and activities are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Legacies are accounted for as income where there is clear entitlement; the amount can be measured reliably; and is probable. Receipt is probable when:

- · Confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estate that probate has been granted; and
- The executors have established there are sufficient assets in the estate to pay the legacy; and
- All conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the charity's control.

Measurement is based on the value listed in the will for pecuniary gifts, provided the estate has sufficient funds, and on the estate accounts for residuary gifts.

Income tax recoverable is included at the same time as the income to which it relates adjusted for administrative delays as necessary.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value or the amount actually realised.

Donated services and facilities are only included in income (with an equivalent amount in expenditure) where the benefit is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value of the service or facility received.

The value of voluntary help received is not quantified and not included.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Expenditure, including irrecoverable value added tax, is included on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay out resources.

Current liabilities, being those payable within one year of the balance sheet date, are separately disclosed from non-current liabilities.

Grants awarded to the Chapter are minuted once Council has made unconditional commitments to pay the grants and reflected in the accounts under notes 5 and 10.

Governance costs include the costs of the preparation of statutory and management accounts, accounts supervision, tax services, Council meetings and advice on governance or constitutional matters.

Foreign Currencies

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates ruling at the date of transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate ruling at the balance sheet date. All foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Assets

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value on receipt, and depreciation is provided at 25% per annum over four years. Other items are expensed on acquisition. There were no tangible assets as at 31 December 2022 or 31 December 2021.

Restricted and Unrestricted Funds

Restricted funds comprise funds that are subject to restrictions and can only be applied for particular purposes within the objects of the charity.

Unrestricted funds comprise funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use, and are available for any charitable purpose of the Friends.

Financial instruments

The company has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents included cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short-term liquid investements with original maturities of three months or less.

Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgments

In the view of the trustees, in applying the accounting policies adopted, no judgements were required that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements nor do any estimates or assumptions made carry a significant risk of material adjustment in the next financial year.

2. Taxation

Friends of St Paul's Cathedral is a registered charity, and is exempt from tax on its income and gains where they are applied for charitable purposes.

3. Legacies

	2022	2021
	£	£
Legacies	3,582	32,110

There were 4 legacies in 2022, totalling £3,582 (2021: 4 totalling £32,110). All of the legacies were unrestricted in both 2022 and 2021.

4. Events and Activities

In 2022, the Friends calendar of events was as follows:

- April 2022: 70th Anniversary event
- July 2022: The Annual Friends Festival and AGM
- October 2022: An Outside Tour
- October 2022: Talk on Alfred Henry "Harry" Sharr
- November 2022: Advent Talk

Ticket sales for the Advent Talk and Outside Tour totalled £785. All other events were free to attend for Friends. Donations made in connection with events are included in Voluntary Income. Unfortunately, due to the disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic there were no physical Events and Activities in 2021.

5. Grants

	2022	2021
	£	£
Grants to St Paul's Cathedral for Choristers	11,247	10,000
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Organ Transmission grant	•	1,541
Grant to St Paul's Cathedral for the Remember Me Covid-19 memorial	-	50,000
Grant to St Paul's Cathedral for Whispering Gallery Safety	100,000	50,000
·	131,247	131,541

Further information on the grants awarded is included in note 10.

6. Staff Costs and Remuneration of Key Management Personnel

	2022	202 I
	£	£
Staff Management Charge	35,000	35,000

The charity considers its key management personnel comprise the Chair and the Honorary Treasurer, neither of whom had any employment benefits (2021: none).

7. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accrued Income, including Gift Aid recoverable	1,668	12,133
Due from St Paul's Cathedral Foundation	1,073	32,184
	2,741	44,317

As at 31 December 2022, amounts due from St Paul's Cathedral Foundation of £1,073 principally related to Friends membership subscriptions paid for by credit and debit cards to St Paul's Cathedral Foundation. As at 31 December 2021, amounts due from St Paul's Cathedral Foundation included £20,000 in respect of a legacy as well as amounts related to subscriptions paid by credit and debit card.

8. Accruals

	2022	2021
	£	£
Audit Fee	2,500	2,280
	2,500	2,280
9. Creditors	2022	2021
	£	£
Cathedral – Management and administrative recharges	1,478	•
Sundry Creditors	1,200	-
	2,678	-

10. Contingent Grant Liabilities

2022	Brought forward	Designated/ (Undesignated)	Grants recognised in SOFA	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£
Whispering Gallery Safety	-	100,000	(100,000)	•
Whispering Gallery Repaying	7,461	(7,461)	-	-
Cathedral Schools & Families Department	20,000	-	(20,000)	
Music (Organ Transmission)	60,060	-	-	60,060
Quire Sound System	15,000	(15,000)	-	-
Chorister Grant	-	· .	(11,247)	
	102,521	77,539	(131,247)	60,060
	Brought	Designated	Grants	Carried
2021	forward		recognised in SOFA	forward
	£	£	£	£
Whispering Gallery Safety	-	50,000	(50,000)	-
Whispering Gallery Repaying	7,461	*	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	7,461
Cathedral Schools & Families Department	40,000	-	(20,000)	20,000
Music (Organ Transmission)	61,601	-	(1,541)	60,060
Quire Sound System	15,000	-	-	15,000
Chorister Grant	10,000	-	(10,000)	-
Remember Me	50,000	-	(50,000)	
	184,062	50,000	(131,541)	102,521

Grant awards are included in the Statement of Financial Activities once any applicable conditions are fulfilled. A brief description of each of the funds is included below.

The Cathedral's Whispering Gallery has been closed to visitors since 2019. The work being undertaken as part of the Whispering Gallery Safety project will enable the Gallery, which is one of the most spectacular and memorable architectural features of the Cathedral, to be open to visitors again in 2023. Council granted £50,000 toward the project in October 2021 (paid in 2021) and a further £100,000 in 2022 (paid in 2022). A further £96,905 award for the project was agreed in January 2023 (to be accounted for in 2023).

The Whispering Gallery Repaying fund was originally designated in 2012 at an amount of £20,000. £12,539 was paid to the Cathedral in 2018. This repaying work is now being carried out by the Cathedral as part of the Whispering Gallery Safety project and so the remaining amount of £7,461 was undesignated in 2022.

The Cathedral Schools & Families department fund supports the activities of the Cathedral's Schools & Families department. The latest designation of £100,000 was made in 2017 to cover five grants of £20,000 per annum running to December 2022. In both 2022 and 2021, the Trustees agreed the further payments to be made on the Cathedral Schools & Families Department grant (£20,000 in each of 2022 and 2021).

The Music (Organ Transmission) fund was established in 2016 (£80,872, including £70,872 from the J D Worker legacy specifically for the Organ). Amounts of £20,812 have been granted. (£13,780 in 2016; £4,080 in 2017; and £2,952 in 2018). Offsetting debit and credit amounts of £1,541 were recognised in 2020 and 2021 on full reconciliation of balances due to and from the Cathedral.

The Quire Sound System fund was established at £15,000 in 2015 (redirected from funds originally designated for Choir Stall Mock up). No amounts have been utilised. At the Council meeting on 7 March 2022, Council agreed to un-designate these funds.

The Chorister Grant fund. £40,000 was designated in 2017 to cover four grants of £10,000 per annum running to December 2021. From 2022 the grant is being agreed on an annual basis. In 2022, a grant of £11,247 was agreed by Council and paid in the year (2021: £10,000 agreed and paid).

During 2020, Council designated £50,000 to the Cathedral's Remember Me project to create a memorial and space to remember those who have died due to Covid-19. During the first half of 2021, at the Cathedral's request, Council agreed to redirect these funds to the Whispering Gallery Safety project. Subsequently at the October 2021 Council meeting, at the Cathedral's request, the Trustees approved payment of both the £50,000 Remember Me grant and £50,000 for the Whispering Gallery Safety project.

11. Charity Funds

The funds of £196,965 as at 31 December 2022 (2021: £300,420) represent the unexpended resources held within the charity, being its assets less liabilities. The funds consist of £60,060 (2021: £60,060) restricted funds and £136,905 (2021: £240,360) unrestricted funds.

	2022	2021
	£	Ĺ
Unrestricted - Designated		
Quire Sound System (Original designation 2015)*	-	15,000
Whispering Gallery Repaving*	•	7,461
Cathedral Schools & Families Department	-	20,000
Other unrestricted - and undesignated	136,905	197,899
Total Unrestricted	136,905	240,360
Restricted		
Music (Organ Transmission)	60,060	60,060
Total Funds	300,420	300,420

^{*} As described in Note 10, these funds were undesignated in 2022.

12. Related party transactions and Trustees expenses

The Reverend Canon Dr Neil Evans, and Sheila Nicoll are members of the Chapter of St Paul's Cathedral. The Very Reverend Dr David Ison was also a member of the Chapter until his retirement in September 2022.

The Charity's trustees give their time freely and receive no remuneration for the work that they undertake as trustees. No trustee was reimbursed for any costs incurred in fulfilling their duties (2021: £nil).

Sheila Nicoll is also a Trustee of the St Paul's Cathedral Choir School.

During the year the Charity awarded St Paul's Cathedral grants totalling £131,247 (2021: £131,541). As at the year-end grants totalling £nil (2021: £nil) were owed to the Cathedral. As at the year-end £1,478 (2021: £nil) was owed to the Cathedral and included in creditors in relation to the reimbursement of management and administrative costs paid for by the Cathedral and recharged to the Charity.