

# DERBYSHIRE CHURCHES & CHAPELS PRESERVATION TRUST

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2011

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**REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1010953**

**PRINCIPAL ADDRESS:** 1 Greenhill  
Wirksworth  
Derbyshire  
DE4 4EN

**PRESIDENT:** (Vacant)

**PATRONS:** The Bishop of Derby  
The Bishop of Nottingham  
The Nottingham & Derby Methodist Church  
District Chairman

**TRUSTEES:** Sir Richard FitzHerbert (Chairman) (appointed 29<sup>th</sup> March 2011)  
W A W Bemrose  
The Ven. C J Cunliffe, D. Phil  
The Ven. D C Garnett, M.A. (resigned 11<sup>th</sup> June 2010)  
Canon M A B Mallender, LL.B  
G B Roper, T.D., F.B. Eng- (appointed 29<sup>th</sup> March 2011)  
P Strange, PhD

**BANKERS:** National Westminster Bank plc  
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DERBY DE1 3ZF

CBF Church of England Funds  
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LONDON EC2V 6DZ

Under Clause 9 (ii) of the Declaration of Trust, the power to appoint new Trustees is vested in the Trustees for the time being. Derbyshire Historic Buildings Trust is a related charity.

### **OBJECTS:**

The Trust was established on 24 March 1992 under a Declaration of Trust made by the six original Trustees. The principal object is to raise money for and to make grants towards the repair, maintenance, and improvement of Churches and Chapels of all Christian denominations in or near Derbyshire, including their fixtures and fittings, and their Churchyards, and also to promote the education and interest of the public in the history of such Churches and Chapels.

### **PUBLIC BENEFIT:**

Under the Charities Act 2006 the Trustees are obliged to ensure that there is a benefit to the public in what they do. Churches and Chapels are open to all and the public are able to be admitted, whether for worship, private prayer or just to look around; they frequently provide venues for a wide variety of public events, and are often simply the 'heart' of their local community. Accordingly the benefit to the

public is perceived to be the fact that Churches and Chapels are helped in fulfilling their own public benefit role by being kept in good order. The Trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the public benefit guidance as issued by the Charity Commission.

### **FINANCIAL POLICY:**

The Trustees have never yet been in the situation of having to refuse a Grant because of a lack of funds, and so, whilst money is better committed to grants than added to reserves, nevertheless the Trustees do seek to keep sufficient funds uncommitted in order to provide for the unexpected and in order to be able to support churches faced with emergency repairs, if necessary at short notice.

**SUPPORTERS:** Whilst there are a few people who subscribe directly to the Trust's funds, everyone who participates in the Ride and Stride or sponsors a participant is in his or her own way a supporter of the Trust and the Trustees are most grateful to them for this.

The accounts show the amount that has been raised from other donors during the year and the Trustees are equally grateful to them for their continued support, which in some cases they have given since the Trust's foundation. The Trustees are also grateful to those Parochial Church Councils who give money to the Trust as part of their general charitable giving.

**2010 RIDE AND STRIDE REPORT:** The 11<sup>th</sup> September 2010 was seasonably warm although there were heavy showers in places at times. However those who participated were able to have a very pleasant day out. The amount raised (including the Gift Aid refund) was £18,442.27, a slight fall on the previous year. The event had been supported by a national advertising campaign and the trust registered for donations via 'Just Giving', but nothing was received via that source. However the national campaign was launched not long before the day of the event itself, and it must therefore be doubted as to whether it made much of an impact, although it is understood that it will be repeated in 2011 and, with a longer lead in time, should be more successful in promoting the event. As in previous years, there were a number of Churches which did raise reasonably substantial amounts including All Saints Trusley (£1,014.54) and St. Edmund Allestree (£935.15), which were closely followed by St. John the Baptist Smalley, St. Michael Sutton on the Hill and St. Leonard Thorpe; these 5 Churches collectively raising 25% of the total. The number of churches engaged in fundraising showed a slight decrease to 69, whilst 176 churches and chapels were open, about the same level as the previous year. The number of participants can only be approximated since not every church sends in its attendance register, but excluding those coming into Derbyshire from other counties (to avoid double counting nationally), the number of participants was estimated at 144. One participant though who does need to be highlighted was the Rev. Mark Crowther-Alwyn who raised £804.71 for the churches of Dethick, Lea and Holloway in addition to the funds raised for his other parish of St. Giles Matlock.

The Trustees continue to be particularly grateful to all those who sat in churches to receive and refresh visitors, and to those who do participate both by 'twisting arms' and by going out 'on the day'. Thanks are particularly due also to Andrea Hambleton, the Trust's Administrative Secretary and the Ride's County Organiser for making everything run so smoothly.

**PUBLICITY:** During the year the Trustees have publicised the Trust's activities both to seek donations and to encourage churches and chapels in the County to apply to the Trust when they have repair works, or works to adapt their place of worship to a present day use, including community use and improvements in accessibility, to carry out. The Trustees are always glad to have the opportunity of talking about the Trust to other organisations in Derbyshire.

**GRANTS:** Half of the proceeds of the Ride and Stride having been distributed to each participant Church or Chapel, the grants made by the Trustees from their general funds can be seen in note 3 of the accounts. The Trustees continue to be grateful to Barry Joyce, John Smith, the Rev. J. O. Drackley and the Rev Alan Dawson for their advice in assessing each applicant from the standpoint of the importance of the work, its cost, and the availability of other funds. Once again the Trustees have concentrated their grant giving in supporting roof repairs and repointing. A number of churches have put in place unorthodox solutions to the problems faced in respect of many buildings from the theft of lead. The Trustees, taking the view that, as the Chancellor of the Diocese, in following the views of the DAC, had considered that it was appropriate, it was not for them to decide on Grant Aid on any different basis, gave a grant to St. Mary's Sawley towards the renewal of the roof covering in Sarnafil, the important factor being that an effective roof preserves the building as a whole. On the basis of 'prevention being better than cure', the Trustees were also pleased to give a grant towards the installation of a roof alarm system at St. Lawrence North Wingfield.

In addition to the grants made by the Trust, the National Churches Trust has made the following repair grants to churches and chapels in Derbyshire:

St. Saviour Foremark for tower stone work £10,000  
St George New Mills for the spire and roof £10,000

The National Churches Trust has now launched its Partnership Grants Scheme and allocated the sum of £20,000 for grants to be made to churches and chapels in Derbyshire during 2011 with the work to be carried out and the grants paid no later than the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012. The Trustees are particularly anxious that proposals should be made to utilise this dedicated stream of funding for Churches and Chapels in Derbyshire. This source of funding is especially valuable at this time as, with the closure of the Landfill Funding Scheme from WREN, and the steady reduction in the Trust's reserves, which was so augmented by the generous legacy of Mrs Edith Harvey from Bakewell, the Trust's reserves have now fallen to £57,000. The Trustees though have always taken the view that reserves will be better employed in being used to make grants rather than husbanded to produce a permanent capital base. They believe that funds have been entrusted to them to be used and this is what they believe they have done and wish to continue to do.

**TRUSTEES:** During the year the Ven. D.C. Garnett resigned as a Trustee. The Trustees are grateful to him for his contributions. Alan Bemrose who had been Chairman of the Trustees from the Trust's inception, retired as Chairman (though continuing as a Trustee) at the end of March and the Trustees were very pleased to appoint Sir Richard FitzHerbert as a Trustee and as Chairman in succession to Alan, and also appointed Mr Ben Roper, who has had wide experience of Churches and Chapels in the County in the course of his architectural practice, as a Trustee. The Trustees are though also still looking to strengthen their numbers with those who have the ability to raise money for this important work.

**DERBYSHIRE CHURCHES AND CHAPELS  
PRESERVATION TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2011**

<u>Incoming Resources</u>	<u>Note</u>	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>2010</u>
<u>Charitable Income</u>					
Donations & Legacies		545.00	-	545.00	855.00
Income Tax reclaimable		1,421.64	1,289.35	2,710.99	2,805.62
Fund raising activities: Bicycle Ride		8,009.42	7,854.43	15,863.85	15,870.28
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		9,976.06	9,143.78	19,119.84	19,530.90
<u>Other Income</u>					
Bank interest received		574.42	41.21	615.63	1,775.87
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<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>		10,550.48	9,184.99	19,735.47	21,306.77
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<u>Resources Expended</u>					
Direct Charitable Expenditure:	2	49,500.00	9,143.78	58,643.78	30,874.31
Grant offers (withdrawn)	2	-	-	-	(500.00)
Management & Administration	4	2,042.35	1,592.96	3,635.31	3,183.48
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Total Resources Expended		51,542.35	10,736.74	62,279.09	33,557.79
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Net (outgoing) Incoming Resources before transfers		(40,991.87)	(1,551.75)	(42,543.62)	(12,251.02)
Transfer between funds	2	-	-	-	-
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Net (outgoing) Incoming Resources for the year		(40,991.87)	(1,551.75)	(42,543.62)	(12,251.02)
Funds brought forward at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2010		99,240.01	214.99	99,455.00	111,706.02
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Funds carried forward at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2011		58,248.14	(1,336.76)	56,911.38	99,455.00
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Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.  
The notes on pages 6 - 8 form part of these accounts

**DERBYSHIRE CHURCHES AND CHAPELS  
PRESERVATION TRUST  
BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2011**

<b><u>CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>	<b><u>Notes</u></b>	<b><u>2011</u></b>	<b><u>2010</u></b>
Debtors	6	2,896.99	4,398.58
Cash at Bank and in transit		86,022.06	136,422.79
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		88,919.05	140,821.37
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<b><u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u></b>			
Creditors and accruals	7	32,007.67	41,366.37
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		32,007.67	41,366.37
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Net Current Assets		56,911.38	99,455.00
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Net Assets		56,911.38	99,455.00
		=====	=====
Fund Balances:			
General Funds		58,248.14	99,240.01
Restricted Funds		(1,336.76)	214.99
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		56,911.38	99,455.00
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**DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE BY TRUSTEES**

We approve this Statement of accounts and confirm that we have made available to you all necessary records and information for its correct preparation.

For the Trustees: Richard FitzHerbert

Dated: 18 July 2011

**DERBYSHIRE CHURCHES AND CHAPELS  
PRESERVATION TRUST**

**Notes relating to the Financial Statements  
Year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**

**1. Accounting Policies**

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below and have remained unchanged from the previous year, and also have been consistently applied within the same accounts.

- a) The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005).
- b) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Activities when received. Legacies are accounted for when notified as due and payable.
- c) Donations arising under Gift Aid are accounted for when received and provision is made for tax unclaimed at the year end.
- d) All expenditure is accounted for gross as and when incurred. Grants payable are included once approved by the trustees.
- e) Restricted funds are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets certain criteria is identified to the relevant fund.
- f) Unrestricted funds (other than the Capital fund) are donations and other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

**2. Direct Charitable Expenditure**

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2011	Total 2010
Grants made to churches and chapels	49,500.00	9,143.78	58,643.78	30,874.31
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	49,500.00	9,143.78	58,643.78	30,374.31
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### 3. Grants made to Churches and Chapels

	Paid in year ended 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2011	Outstanding at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2011	Total Approved
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
Hill St. Baptist, Swadlincote	500.00	-	500.00
All Saints, Sawley	6,000.00	-	6,000.00
St. Peter, Netherseal	-	5,000.00	5,000.00
St. George, New Mills	10,000.00	-	10,000.00
Newton Methodist Church	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
St. Mary the Virgin, Pilsley	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
St. Michael & All Angels, Hathersage	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
Holy Trinity, Yeaveley	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
St. Lawrence, North Wingfield (1)	500.00	-	500.00
St. Mary, Rosliston	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
All Saints Cathedral, Derby	2,500.00	-	2,500.00
Holy Cross, Morton	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
St. Paul, Quarndon	-	1,500.00	1,500.00
St. Lawrence, North Wingfield (2)	500.00	-	500.00
St. Edmund, Allestree	-	1,500.00	1,500.00
St. John, Tupton	-	500.00	500.00
Holbrook Moor Methodist Church	-	5,000.00	5,000.00
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	£34,000.00	£15,500.00	£49,500.00

#### Restricted Funds

Half of the money raised by each participant in the Bicycle Ride including the Income Tax refundable under the Gift Aid Scheme was donated to the Church or Chapel of his or her choice.

### 4. Management & Admin

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2011</u>	<u>Total 2010</u>
Secretarial & Administration	1,153.45	-	1,153.45	2,112.18
Expenses paid to Trustees	-	-	-	95.05
Fund Raising Expenses	898.90	-	898.90	976.25
Prior year adjustment	(10.00)	-	(10.00)	-
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	2,042.35	-	2,042.35	3,183.48
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### 5. Trustee Expenses etc.

No remuneration or expenses were paid to Trustees.

### 6. Debtors

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Income Tax recoverable	2,710.99	2,805.62
Outstanding Bicycle Ride contributions	186.00	-
Third party payments due	-	1,592.96
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	2,896.99	4,398.58
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The sum of £1,592.96 was not a third party payment due in respect of a Landfill Tax Grant made to a church under the Landfill Tax Scheme but in respect of the costs of administration of that scheme and is therefore not recoverable by the Trustees from any third party.

**7. Creditors and accruals**

Grants approved but unpaid:			
Bicycle Ride share	105.00		
Gift aid tax reclaimable:			
Prior years	85.78		
Bicycle Ride share 2010	1,289.35		
Unpaid grants 2009	15,000.00		
Unpaid grants 2010 per note 3	15,500.00		
	-----	31,980.13	41,356.37
Sundry creditors		27.54	-
Adjustment to provisions		-	10.00
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		32,007.67	41,366.37
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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
THE DERBYSHIRE CHURCHES & CHAPELS PRESERVATION TRUST**

**Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011 and which are set out on pages 4 to 8.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit requirement of section 43(1) nor the requirement of section 43(3A) of the Charities Act 1993 (as amended by the Charities Act 2006) (the Act) apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 matter. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**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 41 of the Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the account requirements of the Acthave 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.

Dated: 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2011

Peter Holdridge – Independent Examiner