

Registered Charity Number 1160199

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2017
For
Charnwood Community Management Association**

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Objectives and Activities

The main objectives of the charity are to further or benefit the residents of Hitchin and surrounding area by associating together with said residents, local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in common effort to advance education and to provide suitable and affordable facilities

In support of these objectives the charity aims to negotiate with the local authority to manage Charnwood House in Hitchin which is currently owned by the local authority and is registered as an asset of Community value.

Achievements and performance

There has been very little activity during the year. The reasons for this are described below.

Charnwood Community Management Association (CCMA) was established to ensure that the building is retained and managed for and on behalf of the people of Hitchin as a Community venue. The building has been used as the Hitchin Museum. The Museum was due to transfer to a new facility in the Hitchin Town Hall in 2015. However that project has suffered from delays and controversy and the new Museum is still not open in April 2018. As a result Charnwood has not been completely vacated and the Council have still not declared the building surplus to requirements. A resolution of the difficulties surrounding the New Museum is now apparently near and it is hoped that Charnwood will be vacated by the end of 2018 and the building declared surplus to the Council's requirements.

The Charity currently has 20 members.

The Charity obtained a grant from Social Investment Business for a pre-feasibility study on converting the building for Community use. It has been impossible to complete this study since the Council refused to allow access to the building to carry out a detailed survey. However drawings of the current layout of the building were obtained and enabled the Charity to undertake some initial work on possible modifications to the building to make it suitable for Community use. The results of this work were encouraging and the Committee believe it is feasible to manage the building on behalf of the Community providing a wide range of activities. Fortunately the Charity has been allowed to retain the rest of the grant until it is possible to complete the feasibility work. The current bank balance of £4900 reflects this position.

Due to the current position of the Town Hall/Museum project the Trustees do not expect anything significant to happen on Charnwood until 2019.

Financial review

Principal funding sources

There has been little new funding during the year and expenditure has been minimal due to lack of progress on the building. All cash is held in the bank

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a constitution and constitutes as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO)

Reference and Administrative details

Registered charity number 1160199

Registered address

23 West Hill

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Herts

SG5 2HZ

Trustees

B Eddleston

B Foreman

C Gray

P Humphries

R Girvan

N Sayany

J Horton

Approved by the board of Trustees on 17th April 2018 and signed on its behalf by

B Eddleston- Trustee

Community Management Association

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accounts - period ending 31 December 2017

Receipts	Restricted funds		Unrestricted funds		Total	
grant	£	-	£	-	£	-
membership fees	£	-	£	110.00	£	110.00
donation	£	-	£	-	£	-
interest	£	-	£	-	£	-
	£	-	£	110.00	£	110.00
Expenses						
publicity	£	15.00				
	£	15.00	£	-	£	15.00
Surplus for year	-£	15.00	£	110.00	£	95.00

Balance Sheet

opening bank balance	£	4,765.33	£	116.60	£	4,881.93
Increases			£	110.00	£	110.00
Decreases	-£	15.00			-£	15.00
Closing bank balance	£	4,750.33	£	226.60	£	4,976.93

I have examined these accounts and find them to be a accurate and complete record of the transactions undertaken by Charnwood Community management Association

J B

Gartner

9th April 2018