

SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BAHÁ'ÍS OF LEAMINGTON SPA

Reports of the directors and the trustees for the year ended 31 March 2017

The trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statement of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2017

Reference and Administrative details:

Company Registration Number: 01423210
Charity registration Number: 1063336

Company Registered Address 27 Rutland Gate
London
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Bankers: Barclays Bank Plc.
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Leamington Spa
Warwickshire
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Governing documents

The Spiritual Assembly of Baha'is of Leamington Spa is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. It is also a charity registered with Charity Commission of England and Wales.

Appointment of trustees

The trustees are consist of nine person chosen from among the Baha'is of City of Leamington Spa who have attained the age of 21 and who are elected by such Baha'is who are resident of City of Leamington Spa in a manner provided by the Articles of Association, and who shall remain members (trustees) and continue in office for a period of one year, or until their successors are elected and on failure to be re-elected to the Spiritual Assembly shall cease to be member. The officers of the assembly consist of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as may be found necessary for the proper conduct of its affairs.

Trustee's induction and training

New trustees undergo an orientation to be brief them on their legal obligations under charity and company law, the content of Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Assembly's decision making process and its current plans and activities.

Organisational structure

The board of trustees of nine members administers the charity. The board meets approximately every month.

Risk Statement

The directors (trustees) have examined the major operational risks which charitable companies faces and confirms that the system have been established so that the necessary steps can be taken to reduce these risks.

Objective and Activities

The objects of the charity are:

. Sharing the ideals and assisting the efforts of Baha'is to establish, uphold and promote the spiritual, educational and humanitarian teachings of human brotherhood, radiant faith, exalted character and selfless love revealed in the lives and utterances of all the Prophets and Messengers of God, Founders of the world's revealed religions, and given renewed creative energy and universal application to the conditions of this age in the life and utterances of Baha'u'llah.

. To administer the affairs of the members of the Baha'i faith in the City of Leamington Spa according to the principles of the Baha'i affiliation and administration created and established by Baha'u'llah.

The charity is dependent upon voluntary help. The entire work of the charity in the City of Leamington Spa is carried by volunteers. It is not possible to either estimate the hours or put a valuation on the time given to the work done by volunteers.

Public Benefits

The trustees are satisfied that the charity is for public benefit. Its primary objective is the advancement of religion and its activities such as its study circles, devotional meetings, children's classes and junior youth activities are open to all.

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Achievement and performance

The particular focus of Leamington Spa Baha'i community's work at this stage of its development is on four Core Activities: study circles, devotional gatherings, classes for the spiritual education of children, and junior youth. All these activities are open to the wider community. In addition, the Baha'i community pursues a range of activities, designed to promote processes towards world peace.

Financial Review

Incoming resources in the year ended 31 March 2017 totalled £2,297 (2016: £4,504). Resources expended in the same period totalled £1,814 (2016: £3,310). At 31 March 2017 the charity had total funds of £52,993 of which all were unrestricted.

Reserve policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain its funds at such a level as to enable the charity to fulfil its commitments

Directors' responsibilities in respect of the accounts

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year, in accordance with the requirements of section 386 of The Companies Act 2006. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- b) make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- c) follow applicable accounting standard, subject to any material departures being disclosed and explained in the financial statement.
- d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.
- e) safeguarding the assets of the company and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities;

The directors have confirmed that no notice has been deposited under Section 476 of the companies Act 2006.

In preparing this report, the directors have taken advantage of the audit exemption conferred by Section 477 (2) of Companies Act 2006 and in the opinion of the directors; the company is entitled to those exemptions on the basis that it qualified as a small company.

Name: P L D GROVE

Signature: 

By order of the Board

SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BAHAI'S OF LEAMINGTON SPA
BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Cash at Bank (Current Account)	1,449	1,379
Cash at Bank (Book agency account)	21,731	16,840
Books (Stock)	33,240	35,766
Debtors	<u>306</u>	<u>785</u>
<u>Total Current Assets</u>	<u>56,726</u>	<u>54,770</u>
<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
Loan	3,733	2,260
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Total Liability	3,733	2,260
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Total Assets less liabilities	<u>52,993</u>	<u>52,510</u>
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<u>REPRESENTED BY</u>		
Accumulated Surplus brought forward	52,510	51,316
Current Year Surplus (Deficit)	<u>483</u>	<u>1,194</u>
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	<u>52,993</u>	<u>52,510</u>
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Statement of Directors

For the year ending 31st March 2017 The Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of company Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the company Act 2006.

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for:

- i) Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386; and
- ii) Preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirements of section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of companies Act relating to accounts, so far as is applicable to the company.
- iii) These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to small companies' regime.

Name:

Signature:

1) PLO GROVE

2) ROSHAN BHALLOO

Approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting dated 16/6/2017

SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BAHAI'S OF LEAMINGTON SPA
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>		
Donations received	820	760
Youth Project	-	1,280
Bank interest (net)	26	4
Sale of Baha'i books (book agency)	£10,968	
Cost of sales	(£9,517)	
Income from sale of books	1,451	2,460
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	<u>2,297</u>	<u>4,504</u>
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<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED.</u>		
Contribution to NSA of the Baha'is of the UK	-	700
Postage and packing (book agency)	1,077	1,756
Youth project	548	675
Community event	60	75
Purchase of books & Leaflets	54	34
Contribution to Peace Festival	75	70
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	1,814	3,310
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Net movement in funds	483	1,194
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Total funds brought forward	52,510	51,316
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Total funds carried forward	<u>52,993</u>	<u>52,510</u>
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	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>BOOK AGENCY STOCK</u>		
Stock at 1 April 2016	35,766	38,905
Purchase, Carriage & sundries	6,991	7,130
Sold during the year	(9,517)	(10,269)
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Stock at 31 March 2017	<u>33,240</u>	<u>35,766</u>
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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017

Company Status

The charity is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member. If the winding up occurs within one year of member ceasing to be a member then the above applies for debt and liabilities of the company contracted before he or she ceased to be a member.

Accounting Policies

Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention on a going concern and include the results of the charity's operation as indicated in the financial report, all of which are continuing.

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice-"Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005) and complies with companies Act 2006.

Principal source of income

In accordance of the teaching of Baha'i Faith, only Baha'is may contribute to the Baha'i fund. Thus the primary source of income is from the Baha'i community of City of Leamington Spa.

Incoming Resources

All incoming sources accounted for when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Outgoing resources

Expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and is allocated to the appropriate heading in the financial statement. Where applicable, resources expended include VAT which cannot be recovered.

Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption conferred by the Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it qualifies as a small company.