Company Registration No. 2927443 Registered Charity No. 1043992



National Memorial Arboretum Company Ltd Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 30 September 2019





A member of The Royal British Legion family of charities

# National Memorial Arboretum Company Ltd

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#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

#### **TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS**

David Whimpenny – Chairman Andrew Farquhar Jason Coward Gary Ryan Paul Harris

Kate Logan (nee Davies)

(From 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018)

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Mr Luke Joannou

### **PRINCIPAL OFFICERS - Key Management Personnel**

Mrs Sarah Montgomery Managing Director (to 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019)

Mrs Philippa Rawlinson Managing Director (from 19<sup>th</sup> August 2019)

Mrs Lorna Price Head of Finance

Mr Peter Orgill Head of Operations (to 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019)

Mrs Aysha Afridi Head of Heritage and Learning

Mrs Sarah Oakden Head of Marketing

Mr Mark Ellis Head of Visitor Experience
Mrs Angela Ham Head of Support Services

Mr Andy Ansell Head of Estates (from 1 July 2019)

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Charity Registration Number: 1043992

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#### TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING THE STRATEGIC REPORT)

The Trustees, who are also Directors of the charitable company, present their annual report, which incorporates a strategic report, and audited financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2019.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015 (revised 1 January 2016)). The reference and administrative details on page 1 form part of this report.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The National Memorial Arboretum (NMA) is a member of the Royal British Legion family of charities, which is the UK's national custodian of Remembrance; supporting and delivering nationwide events through its network of branches, members and volunteers and locally in communities across the country. The NMA is the United Kingdom's year-round centre for Remembrance in the heart of our country; a spiritually uplifting place which honours those who have fallen in the service of their country, recognising service, suffering and sacrifice, fostering a pride in our country. The NMA's vision is to create a world class Remembrance centre worthy of those who have given so much to our country. This is key to the charitable group's core charitable objective of championing Remembrance, promoting its observance and participation and ensuring the torch is passed on to future generations.

The NMA's specific charitable objectives are to:

- promote an appreciation by the public of the role of the armed forces of the Crown by providing and maintaining the Arboretum as a public memorial to commemorate and remember those who have lost their lives or suffered injury, or put themselves at risk of loss of life or injury, in service of the public;
- · relieve the distress and suffering of those who are bereaved; and
- educate the public and personnel of the armed forces of the Crown in citizenship, military history, the effects of armed conflict, conflict resolution and reconciliation.

The key strategic priorities of the NMA during the year were:

- The NMA site maintain and improve the site as the most significant place for Remembrance, complementary to the cenotaph in the national consciousness, specifically including the opening of the 'Aspects' Function Pavilion to host over 250 Remembrance services/dedications per annum.
- Visitors take steps to increase visitor numbers now the major construction projects are complete, particularly during the culmination of the WW1 centenary and D-Day 75 commemorations.
- Learning work closely with The Royal British Legion, the NMA's parent charity, to provide leadership in the development and understanding of Remembrance, educating the general public about Remembrance and its importance to the future life of the nation.

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- **Sustainability** ensure the longevity of the NMA by raising by implementing infrastructure improvements to:
  - o sustain and enhance the visitor experience;
  - o ensure the commercial potential of the site is maximised in a sensitive way;
  - generate support and revenue from stakeholders and supporters of the NMA to continue to develop its mission as a centre for veterans, service and ex-service families and the wider diaspora connected with Remembrance; and
  - o create a landscape where visitors can relax, enjoy the trees and contemplate their special significance.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

#### The NMA site:

Building on the success of the award winning Remembrance Centre in 2016, during the year the NMA opened the long awaited permanent functions pavilion, to host the growing number of Remembrance services/dedications and other commemorative services each year (currently in excess of 250 per annum). The facility was delivered on time and to budget and has been instrumental in opening up the NMA to new audiences by providing a unique venue to host corporate events and conferences. The new facility opened in October 2018 and performance for the first year of operation has exceeded expectations, with around 25,000 Remembrance and Corporate visitors being hosted in the facility during the year.

The project to put the NMA onto mains sewage and mains gas was finally completed in September 2019. This has been ongoing for a number of years and has encountered numerous delays relating to obtaining the necessary legal permissions and drilling under the railway line. This represents a huge step forward and will help drive operational efficiency and effectiveness, particularly during peak periods.

#### **Visitors:**

During the year, the NMA received a record 342,186 visitors (2018: 294,922), a 16% increase compared to 2018. The significant increase is due to the following factors:

- Unprecedented volumes of visitors attending throughout the Armistice 100 Remembrance period;
- Highest ever volumes across the winter, February half term and Easter period due to relatively mild weather conditions;
- December's Illuminated Arboretum which proved extremely popular and was successful in driving new audiences at what is normally a relatively quiet time of year;
- Record numbers of school visitors undertaking both facilitated and self guided activities, with over 22,000 attending during the year, a 33% increase on the previous year;
- The Tornado farewell flypast which attracted more than 3,000 visitors to site; and
- The most successful Armed Forces weekend programme to date, which saw 11,000 visitors attending across the two day period.

#### Landscape:

One of the key objectives of the NMA is to provide a public memorial to commemorate and remember those who have lost their lives or suffered injury in service to the public. During the year, the NMA played host to over 250 Remembrance services and commemorations.

As the Arboretum matures and becomes a site of national significance, demand for new memorials is steadily increasing. Consequently going forward the NMA will need to open up areas of the site which are currently under utilised. With this in mind, during the year the NMA revisited its landscape masterplan which identified a number of exciting opportunities for future development which in time will improve both the visitor journey and engagement with the site and Remembrance.

The dedication of eight new memorials took place in the year, including the London Scottish Regiment, Queens own Buffs, and Spirit of the Horse.

#### Learning:

The 'Landscapes of Life' permanent interpretation exhibition remains an important component in the fulfilment of the NMA's charitable objectives of learning, by helping visitors to engage with the Remembrance. However, take up for the exhibition has always been lower than anticipated and whilst research has suggested that this is not due to the quality of the exhibit, take-up has remained virtually static despite a number of initiatives to improve performance. Consequently, the decision was taken to make the exhibition free to enter from May 2019 in order to improve footfall and visitor engagement with Remembrance.

#### Sustainability:

The NMA remains committed to growing its self generated income sources as much as possible to reduce the reliance on its parent charity for funding. However, receiving a record number of visitors in 2019 did not result in an equivalent impact on financial performance as different visitor types have different propensities to spend.

Despite wet weather, the main annual fundraising event of the year, "Ride to the Wall", proved to be one of the most successful to date, generating £140,000 (an equivalent amount to 2018) thanks to the high volumes of pre-registrations for the event and bespoke merchandise sales.

Despite the uncertain economic climate, business as usual fundraising has held up reasonably well, with on site donations only 6% lower than the previous year. Income has been boosted by the receipt of £35,000 of grants and donations to help replace the HLF Funding for the Learning team (see below), funding for a new visitor buggy and a number of legacies.

During the year, the NMA received a final instalment of £63,000 (2018 £275,000) from the Heritage Lottery Fund to support the activity plan. This is the end of a 3 year programme which has been successful in developing new audiences, as well as providing funding to cover the salary costs for four key learning posts.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Income for the year was £3.4 million (2018: £10.6 million); the £7.2 million decrease on the previous year mainly relates to £7.2m in restricted grants and donations, received during 2018 relating to the new functions pavilion. New restricted funds received from the parent charity in 2019 included £282,000 for the infrastructure project, £50,000 for brown tourism signs and £34,000 towards the future strategic development of the site, including the updating of the landscape masterplan and the updating of the cost plan for the new overflow car park required from 2023.

The NMA is a free to enter site; its main sources of income are voluntary donations, grant funding and profits from its trading subsidiary NMA Enterprises Ltd. In the current year the NMA received annual funding in the form of a Remembrance grant of £724,000 (2018: £624,000) from its parent

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charity, The Royal British Legion, towards Remembrance activity, and £159,000 (2018: £161,000) Grant in Aid funding from the Ministry of Defence for the ongoing maintenance of the Armed Forces Memorial. The latter was originally guaranteed until March 2019, but has been extended with an unspecified end date.

During the year, the NMA also received gifts in kind of £2,000 relating to a pallet truck and sweeper from Briggs Equipment Ltd, who were also the main sponsor of the Armed Forces Weekend activities.

Expenditure was £4.1 million (2018: £4.4 million), a year on year decrease of £0.3 million. Costs of raising funds have remained broadly similar to 2018, (2019: £542,000, 2018: £538,000). As the NMA is a visitor attraction and a relatively young charity, it is very much dependent on footfall on site. The majority of expenditure therefore relates to advertising and other promotional activities to drive visitor numbers and general awareness of the NMA. Expenditure on Charitable Activities decreased by £0.3 million to £3.6 million (2018: £3.9 million), the decrease being mainly due to lower hire costs related to temporary facilities now the functions pavilion project is complete.

This resulted in a net decrease in funds of £767,000 (2018: increase of £6.2 million). Whilst underlying performance is broadly similar to 2018, the 2018 figures were boosted by the capital grants received for the functions pavilion project.

Capital expenditure for the year was £534,000, (2018: £6.5 million), predominantly relating to the costs of the Gas and Sewage infrastructure project.

The trading subsidiary, NMA (Enterprises) Ltd, continues to benefit from the new, larger and improved facilities provided by the Remembrance Centre and the Aspects functions pavilion with an improved operating surplus of £647,000 (2018: £559,000).

#### **RESERVES POLICY AND GOING CONCERN**

As the NMA is part of the Royal British Legion group, its policy is to not seek to hold reserves as this leads to a duplication of reserves at a group level. A 'letter of comfort' has been agreed by the RBL trustees under which The Royal British Legion will continue to provide any financial support (either through the waiver of intercompany debt, the provision of further intercompany funds or equity) that may be required in order for the NMA to pay its liabilities as they fall due, for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of the 2019 accounts.

Total charity funds decreased by £0.7m, to £22.6m at the end of the year. Total charity funds comprise unrestricted funds of £21.1 million (2018: £21.4 million) and restricted funds of £1.4 million (2018: £1.9 million).

Total unrestricted funds comprise designated funds of £20.8 million (2018: £20.0 million) and general funds of £0.4m (2018: £1.4m); the general funds figure includes free unrestricted funds of £105,000 (2018: £351,000).

Designated funds represent the net book value of completed fixed assets relating to grounds and buildings. The increase in the designated funds balance is mainly due to the completion of the infrastructure project, resulting in a transfer of £1.2 million from unrestricted to designated funds. Designated funds have also been increased by a £90,000 legacy which is to be used for the future development of the site and audience engagement activity.

Total restricted funds at the end of the year were £1.4 million (2018: £1.9 million). This includes the remaining funds required for the payment of retention at the end of the defects period for the functions pavilion and £848,000 (2018: £840,000) of maintenance endowments for memorial maintenance and insurance for specific memorials. During the year the NMA was successful in securing a further £33,000 (2018: £111,000) of maintenance endowments for a mixture of new and existing memorials, which will help contribute to the NMA's longevity. The majority of restricted expenditure incurred during the year related to the Functions Pavilion, Heritage Lottery Fund, activity plan and general maintenance relating to the Armed Forces Memorial.

The continuing operation of the NMA is dependent on donations and grants from supporters, together with funding from The Royal British Legion. The Trustees are taking steps to engage more fully with the existing supporter donor base and also plan to build on new relationships forged by the Remembrance Centre appeal, to increase income and ensure a sound financial base for the future work of the NMA. Given the close operational relationship with The Royal British Legion, the letter of support in place, the funding supplied for the Remembrance Centre and the new Functions Pavilion, and the key role the NMA now plays in the fulfilment of the Legion's Remembrance strategy, the Trustees are confident that funding will be available to support the NMA's activities into the future. Reflecting on this, the Trustees have therefore prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Trustees are responsible for ensuring there are effective and adequate risk management and internal control systems in place to manage major risks to which the charity is exposed. The process in place regarding risk management and internal control includes the following:

- The risk analysis is reviewed monthly by the management team and scrutinised quarterly by the Board of Trustees. The Trustees are satisfied that for risks identified a planned schedule of activity is being undertaken so the impact on the charitable company will be minimised should any of the risks materialise.
- Internal audit, which is provided by a third party, undertake a programme of examinations, ensuring the effectiveness of risk management and controls.

The key risks and how they are managed are:

Principal risk	Mitigation
Fundraising and grant income does not meet targets.	<ul> <li>Progress against business plan is assessed.</li> <li>Financial support available from parent charity to meet funding gap.</li> </ul>
Investment in new attractions does not increase visitor numbers.	<ul> <li>Prepare sound business cases prior to embarking on projects.</li> <li>Increase advertising and marketing spend to create awareness.</li> </ul>
Visitors are deterred from visiting due to site flooding.	<ul> <li>The website is kept up to date detailing any accessibility issues. The temporary exhibition programme should help preserve visitor numbers during periods of inclement weather and minor localised flooding.</li> </ul>
Maintenance endowments given to cover repairs of memorials are not sufficient to cover costs.	<ul><li>Funds are pooled to obtain best rates.</li><li>The NMA has a fundraising strategy with the</li></ul>
The mornals are not sampled to cover costs.	primary objective of achieving growth in unrestricted income over the medium to long term.

The company is not unduly exposed to price, credit, liquidity or foreign exchange risk.

The company is included in The Royal British Legion's group insurance policy which provides a comprehensive package of insurance against foreseeable risks including public and product liability.

The charity is covered by insurance from loss arising from neglect or default of its Trustees, and to indemnify the Trustees against the consequences of neglect or default on their part.

#### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

During the 2019/20 financial year the Trustees are planning to review the NMA's strategy to build on achievements to date with a refreshed strategic plan, showing clear benefits to the RBL's Remembrance mission and synergy gained from the NMA as a year round visitor attraction.

### **PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT**

In considering the operation, achievements, performance and finances of the charitable company the Trustees are satisfied that public benefit has been provided in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and guidance provided by the Charity Commission.

#### STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The NMA was incorporated in 1994 as a charitable company limited by guarantee not having a share capital and registered in 1995 as a charity. The NMA has been part of The Royal British Legion (the RBL) family of charities since 2003. The RBL is the sole member of the company and controls the appointment of all Trustees.

The Board of Trustees consists of six Trustees appointed by the RBL with one Trustee appointed as chairman. Three of the Trustees are also on the Trustee board of the RBL, one Trustee is a member of the executive management team of the RBL with line management responsibility for the NMA, and the remaining two members are independent Trustees with significant military and visitor attraction experience respectively. Meetings of the NMA Board of Trustees take place quarterly. In accordance with its Articles of Association a term of any Trustee's appointment cannot exceed three years, but a Trustee is eligible for reappointment for a further two terms and can be removed from office by the RBL at any time. Training for all Trustees is provided through The Royal British Legion.

Responsibility for the day to day operations of the NMA is delegated to the Managing Director, who is supported by a management team, administrative support staff and a team of volunteers. The Managing Director has established an executive management structure for the NMA to undertake operational activities with a clearly defined management and reporting structure. The management team meets weekly to discuss operational issues and new initiatives and take any action as required.

The NMA has a subsidiary company, NMA (Enterprises) Limited, which carries out the trading activities of the charity; principally the operation of restaurant and café facilities, concessions and business functions.

The Managing Director is supported by the following boards and committees:

- Landscape and Memorials Committee this committee reviews and agrees proposals for new memorials and landscaping development and is critical to the future direction and management of the Arboretum grounds
- NMA Enterprises Board the board of NMA's subsidiary company, NMA (Enterprises) Ltd

### Key management personnel remuneration policy

The key management personnel remuneration policy has been harmonised with that of the parent charity. Roles are initially evaluated at the group job evaluation committee, which uses the Hay System, and salaries are benchmarked with similar roles in the local area in order to attract the appropriate calibre of candidate. The company then operates an annual appraisal scheme at which performance is assessed against set objectives. The annual pay award is set by the parent charity.

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#### **Equal opportunities**

The company is an equal opportunities employer and is committed to a policy of employment based on aptitude and ability without discrimination of any kind.

#### **Volunteers**

The Trustees recognise the hard work contributed by staff, volunteers and the NMA friends who in many ways keep the site going. Active volunteers gave over 60,000 hours (2018: 60,000 hours) of invaluable help during the year. Volunteer activities include the provision of educational support for facilitated learning visits, guiding visitors around the site, and grounds maintenance which approximately equates to an additional 30 full time staff. The contribution is recognised by all who visit the site and many visitors write to express thanks for the way volunteers help with their visit and comment on the pride the volunteers take in all they do.

#### **Fundraising**

As a location based charity the NMA does not have a national network of fundraisers or agents acting on its behalf. The majority of fundraising is derived directly from on site activities and donation boxes. In addition the NMA undertakes 2 direct mail campaigns per annum to registered supporters and applies for grants to fund specific initiatives to further its charitable objectives.

#### TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Trustees (who are also Directors of The National Memorial Arboretum Company Ltd for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Each of the persons who is a Director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- the Director has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report, incorporating the Strategic Report, was approved by the board of Trustees on 28th

February 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

David Whimpenny (Trustee)

Date: 28th February 2020

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Independent auditor's report to the members of National Memorial Arboretum Company Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements of National Memorial Arboretum Company (the 'charitable company'):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 September 2019 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- the statement of financial activities (including the income and expenditure account);
- · the balance sheet:
- · the cash flow statement; and
- the related notes 1 to 27.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

#### **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 charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the 'FRC's') Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these 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 are required by ISAs (UK) to report in respect of the following matters where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast
  significant doubt about the charitable company'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.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

#### Other information

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

#### Independent auditor's report to the members of National Memorial Arboretum Company Limited

#### Report on the audit of the financial statements (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 respect of these matters.

#### Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purpose of company law) 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 trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report, which includes the strategic report and the directors report prepared for the purposes of company law for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the directors report included within the trustees report the have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report included within the trustees' report.

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Independent auditor's report to the members of National Memorial Arboretum Company Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements (Continued)

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- · the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Reza Motazedi, FCA (Senior statutory auditor)
For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP
Statutory Auditor
London
UK

28th February 2020

## National Memorial Arboretum Company Ltd Registered Company number 2927443

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) Year ended 30 September 2019

*		Unrestricted Funds £000's	Restricted Funds £000's	Endowment Funds £000's	Total Funds 2019 £000's	Total Funds 2018 <sup>(1)</sup> £000's
INCORE AND ENDOMINES	Note			4		
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				•		
Donations and Legacies	3	1,338	659	33	2,030	9,309
Charitable Activities	4	570	57	•	627	715
Other Trading Activities Investments:		47	•	<b></b>	47	51
Gift aid from NMA (Enterprises)	5	664			664	563
Bank interest	6	•		7_	<u> </u>	. 3
TOTAL INCOME	_	2,619	716	40	3,375	10,641
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Raising Funds	7	542	-	-	542	538
Charitable Activities	8 _	2,967	601	32_	3,600	3,885
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		3,509	601	32	4,142	4,423
Net (expenditure)/income for the year	-	(890)	115	8	(767)	6,218
Transfer between Funds	20	600	(600)	÷	4	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	-	(290)	(488)	8	(767)	6,218
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward	-	21,448	1,039	840	23,327	17,109
Net movement in funds for the		•	(485)	8	(767)	6,218
year		<b>(290)</b>	(465)	8	(767)	0,210
Total funds carried forward	-	21,158	554	848	22,560	23,327

There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those listed above and the net income for the year. All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

<sup>(1)</sup> See note 19 for 2018 detailed Statement of Financial Activities

# **BALANCE SHEET** At 30 September 2019

		2019	2018
		£000's	£000's
	Note		
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	14	20,705	20,749
Heritage assets	15	348	348
Fixed asset investments	16		-
Total Fixed Assets	•	21,053	21,097
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	17	564	1,100
Cash at bank and in hand		1,750	2,210
Total Current Assets	•	2,314	3,310
Creditors — amounts falling due within one year	18	(807)	(1,080)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	· <del>·</del>	1,507	2,230
TOTAL NET ASSETS	( <del>-</del>	22,560	23,327
FUNDS			
General Funds	20	363	1,416
Designated Funds	20	20,795	20,032
Restricted Funds	20	554	1,039
Expendable Endowment Funds	20	848	840
Total Funds	-	22,560	23,327

The notes on pages 17 to 34 form part of these financial statements.

These financial statements of The National Memorial Arboretum Company Ltd were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 28th February 2020. They were signed on its behalf by:

**David Whimpenny Chair of Trustees** 

# CASHFLOW STATEMENT Year ended 30 September 2019

	Note	Total Funds 2019 £000's	Total Funds 2018 £000's
Net cash provided by operating activities	26	67	6,808
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest receivable		7	3
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(534)	(6,455)
Purchase of heritage assets		•.	<del>-</del>
Net cash used in investing activities		(527)	(6,452)
Net (Decrease)/ increase in cash and cash equivalents		(460)	356
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		2,210	1,854
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		1,750	2,210

There are no cash equivalents, therefore cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and in hand

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 30 September 2019

#### 1) ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Company and Charitable Status**

The National Memorial Arboretum Company Ltd, a public benefit entity, is incorporated in England and Wales as a company limited by guarantee not having any share capital. There are currently six Trustees who are also members of the company. Each member has undertaken to contribute to the assets in the event of a winding up a sum not exceeding £10. The charity is a registered charity. The registered office is given on page 1.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2015 and revised January 2016 (SORP 2015); and the Companies Act 2006.

The principal accounting policies are set out below:

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The results presented are the accounts of the charitable company. The NMA group is included in the accounts of the NMA's parent charity — The Royal British Legion, and therefore accounts have not been prepared which consolidate the results of NMA (Enterprises) Ltd.

#### **Going Concern**

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis as set out on page 5 of the Trustees' Report. There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to funds, performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donations including amounts received for fixed assets are recognised immediately on receipt. The only exception to this is where there are predetermined conditions to be met, in these instances income is recognised once the required conditions have been met in full.

Grant income is recognised on written confirmation of the grant once any inherent performance related conditions of the grant have been met in full.

Legacy receipts are recognised when it is probable it will be received. This is deemed when:

- there has been a grant of probate;
- the executors have determined there are sufficient assets in the estate; and
- conditions attached to the legacy or within the control of the charity have been met.

Interest receivable relates to interest on bank deposits and current accounts, under the terms of FRS102 this does not require adjustment using the effective interest rate method laid down by the standard, as the rate receivable is deemed to reflect the effective interest rate applicable.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 30 September 2019

#### 1) ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Income (continued)

Donated professional services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have paid to obtain services or facilities for equivalent economic benefit on the open market. A corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income from charitable activities is recognised on an accruals basis.

In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) no income is recognised in respect of general volunteer time received – information on volunteer contributions is disclosed in the Trustees' Report on page 9.

#### **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Raising funds – includes costs incurred in generating fundraising income, advertising, and direct mail.

Charitable activities – includes direct costs of operating the charity and maintaining the grounds and memorials along with the costs of commemorative events held in furtherance of the charitable objectives.

Support costs – are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, premises costs and governance costs. These costs are allocated between the cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. The bases of cost allocation are set out in note 9.

#### **Fund Accounting**

The charity holds the following funds:

Restricted funds represent grants, donations, legacies and appeal monies received which are allocated by the donor for specific purposes and are expendable only in accordance with the donor's wishes.

Designated funds represent funds set aside for the net book value of completed fixed assets relating to grounds buildings, and supporting infrastructure.

Unrestricted funds are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charitable company.

Maintenance endowments are expended in line with the terms of their respective donation agreements.

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#### **Taxation**

The company is a registered charity and has no liability to corporation tax on its charitable activities under the Corporation Tax Act 2010 (chapters 2 and 3 of part ii, section 466 onwards) or section 256 of the Taxation for Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent surpluses are applied to its charitable purposes. The activities of the charitable company's wholly owned trading subsidiary are subject to corporation tax, however all profits are paid to the charitable company by way of gift aid.

### **Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

#### i) Tangible Assets:

Tangible Assets are included at acquisition cost less depreciation. The capitalisation threshold is £20,000. Land held on long-term lease and landscaping costs to bring the grounds into use are not depreciated. Depreciation is provided on other tangible fixed assets at rates calculated on a straight line basis over their expected useful lives.

Long leasehold and ground	Long leasehold land and initial landscaping - not depreciated			
improvements	Ground improvements and drainage - 6.67%			
	Roadways and paths - 8.33%			
	Car Park (lease until September 2019) - 20%			
Heritage Assets	Not depreciated			
Visitor facilities and fixtures	Building and fixtures 2%			
	Catering equipment 20%			
Office equipment	Office equipment 20%			

Depreciation is not provided until an asset is brought into use. Depreciation is then charged over the asset's economic life based on the percentages above as appropriate. Depreciation is not charged in the year of disposal but is included in the profit/loss on disposal calculation.

Capital projects with a life of more than 1 year are managed via a capital work in progress account. Projects are transferred to fixed assets and depreciated over their economic life once they come into use.

Assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's fair value less any costs of sale and its value in use.

#### ii) Heritage Assets

The charitable company has capitalised trees held on site for Remembrance value within the financial statements. The trees are managed as part of the Arboretum ensuring that they are accessible to the public in line with the objectives of the charitable company.

Trees are included at cost as the Trustees deem a valuation policy to be inappropriate. The trees are deemed to have indeterminable lives as they are preserved through ongoing maintenance of the Arboretum and the Trustees do not therefore consider it appropriate to charge depreciation. However a review for impairment is carried out each year and in the case of any damage, for example as a result of a severe storm or disease, the value of the trees will be adjusted and the impairment recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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#### ii) Heritage Assets (continued)

The Armed Forces Memorial (AFM) is included as a Heritage Asset. Given the significant repairs required to the AFM on acquisition from the Armed Forces Memorial Trust in 2015,

and the cost of ascertaining a definitive value through a surveyor's valuation significantly outweighing any benefit gained due to the unique nature of the asset, the AFM is included in the accounts at the nominal value of £1.

#### iii) Memorials

Under the current policy issued in 2010 new memorials are built by the commissioning organisation/association who retain ownership. Memorial holders are requested to either pay an annual maintenance charge for the upkeep of the grounds surrounding their memorial or make an upfront maintenance endowment to facilitate the 'lifetime' maintenance of their memorial in the event their organisation should cease to exist in the future. These are regarded as expendable endowments and the capital can be used to fund ongoing maintenance costs. All funds received for annual maintenance are included in the tree plaques, benches and paviours income category under income from charitable activities. Lump sum maintenance endowments are recognised under voluntary income and any subsequent expenditure is shown in the cost of charitable activities (endowment).

Prior to the introduction of the policy outlined above, historically any donations received for memorial construction were credited to income from charitable activities and any unspent balance transferred to endowment funds. These remaining balances will be used to cover maintenance on the specific memorials in the future.

#### **Employee Benefits**

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The amount charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in respect of pension contributions and other retirement benefits is the contributions payable in the year. The difference between this and contributions actually paid is shown as either accruals or prepayments in the balance sheet. All costs relate to unrestricted activities.

#### **Financial Instruments**

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially valued at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value as follows:

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any discounts offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount to settle the obligation can be measured reliably. Creditors and provisions are recognised at their settlement value after allowing for trade discounts due.

#### iv) CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the company's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying value of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and

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associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

# 2) CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (continued)

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only the period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The Trustees do not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure.

### 3) ANALYSIS OF INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	<b>Endowments</b>	2019	2018
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Donations	439	42	33	514	655
Gifts in kind*		2	-	2	35
Legacies	170	-	-	170	103
General grants (see 3a below)	729	615	<u>-</u>	1,344	8,516
Total	1,338	659	33	2,030	9,309

<sup>\*2019</sup> gifts in kind relate to the donation of a pallet truck and sweeper by Briggs Equipment Ltd. 2018 gifts in kind relate to improvement works to the Croxall Road entrance carried out by the main contractor for the Functions pavilion project, Stepnell Ltd (£28,000), Crockery for the functions pavilion donated by Dudsons (£1,500) and use of a van during summer 2018 to transport equipment around site by Arnold Clark (£6,000). All valuations represent the market value for the works completed.

### 3a) General grants comprise the following:

•	2019	2018
	£000's	£000's
LIBOR Grant – construction project	•	500
Birmingham Local Enterprise Partnership	<del>-</del> .	500
Veolia Environmental Trust – Functions Pavilion	•.	251
Veolia Environmental Trust - pathway improvements	<b>-</b> :	59
Grant in Aid – Armed Forces Memorial	159	161
The Royal British Legion – Infrastructure	282	100
The Royal British Legion – Remembrance	724	624
The Royal British Legion – construction/development projects	84	6,013
The Royal British Legion – other activity	-	21
Heritage Lottery Fund	63	275
Memorial Grant Scheme	7	4
Learning Grants*	25	-
Veolia Pathways grant**	(5)	
Other Grants	5	8
Total	1,344	8,516

<sup>\*</sup>During the year the NMA was successful in securing grants from Sackler Trust, PF Charitable Trust and the Clarke Charitable Trust to replace HLF funding for learning activities which ceased in March 2019.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Due to an underspend on the scheme £5k was returned to Veolia during the year

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# 4) ANALYSIS OF INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

This note provides an analysis of activities specifically undertaken to generate income for the charity. It includes performance related grants for the Passchendaele centenary and Armed Forces Day, primary purpose trading in the form of tree plaque, inscribed pavior and bench sales and the recharge of overhead expenses to the NMA's trading subsidiary NMA (Enterprises) Ltd.

	2019	2018
	£000's	£000's
Performance related grants:		
- Armed Forces Day	5	5
- Commemoration Activity	52	240
Car park	226	189
Exhibition Tickets	11	22
Learning services	51	29
NMA Enterprises overhead recharge	215	152
Tree plaques/benches/ annual maintenance	43	78
Insurance claims	24	· <u>-</u>
Total	627	715

#### 5) NET INCOME FROM TRADING SUBSIDIARY

The charitable company has a trading subsidiary NMA (Enterprises) Limited, which is registered in England and Wales. A summary of the trading results is shown below. Audited financial statements will be filed with the Registrar of Companies. NMA (Enterprises) Limited primarily carries out the operation of a retail shop, restaurant and functions.

	2019	2018
	£000's	£000's
Turnover	2,789	2,556
Cost of sales	(1,733)	(1,661)
Gross profit	1,056	895
Administrative expenses	(409)	(336)
Operating profit on ordinary activities before taxation	647	559
Taxation		<u>.                                    </u>
Operating profit on ordinary activities after taxation	647	559
Payment under the gift aid scheme	(664)	(563)
Retained loss for the financial year	(17)	(4)
Assets	503	579
Liabilities	(396)	(455)
Net assets	107	124

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## 6) ANALYSIS OF INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

	2019	2018
	£000's	£000's
Gifted from NMA (Enterprises)	664	563
Bank interest	7	3
Total	671	566

## 7) ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS

	Direct Costs £000's	Support Costs £000's	Total 2019 £000's	Direct Cost 2018 £000's	Support Cost 2018 £000's	Total 2018 £000's
Raising donations, grants and legacies.	84	15	99	108	13	121
Advertising, marketing and direct mail	404	39	. 443	386	31	417
Total	488	54	542	494	44	538

## 8) ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

				Direct	Support	
	Direct	Support	Total	Cost	Cost	Total
	costs	costs	2019	2018	2018	2018
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Commemorative events	331	47	375	538	28	566
Grounds and memorial upkeep	536	70	606	521	64	585
Visitor operations	1,311	1,090	2,398	1,716	866	2,582
NMA (Enterprises) overhead recharge	<u>.</u>	215	215	-	152	152
Total	2,178	1,422	3,600	2,775	1,110	3,885

## 9) ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	Raising funds	Commemorative events	Grounds and Memorials	Visitor operations	Recharge to NMA Enterprises	Total 2019	Basis of allocation
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	<b>£000</b> 's	£000's
Governance	7	7	9	76	-	99	Headcount
Central	5	4	6	48	96	159	Headcount
Management							
Administration	5	4	7	53	<del></del>	69	Headcount
Premises	36	31	47	385	85	584	Usage
Depreciation	. <del>-</del>	-	-	521	34	555	Usage
Legal and	1	1	1	7	₹.	10	Headcount
Professional							
Tota!	54	47	70	1,090	215	1,476	<del>,</del>

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## 9) ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS continued

# **2018 COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS**

	Raising funds	Commemorative events	Grounds and Memorials	Visitor operations	Recharge to NMA Enterprises	Total 2018	Basis of allocation
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Governance	7	4	8	75	-	94	Headcount
Central	7	4	9	74	89	183	Headcount
Management							
Administration	4	3	6	46	2	61	Headcount
Premises	25	16	32	270	36	379	Usage
Depreciation	<del>-</del> ;	-	8	394	25	427	Usage
Legal and	1	1	1	7	<u></u>	10	Headcount
Professional							
Total	44	28	64	866	152	1,154	

# 10) NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME FOR THE YEAR

	2019 £000's	2018 £000's
Net (expenditure)/income is after charging:		
Depreciation of owned assets	555	427
Loss on disposal fixed assets	23	-
Profit on disposal fixed assets	(2)	-
Auditor's remuneration:		
Fees payable to the charity's auditor for the audit of the	16	16
financial statements		

# 11) ANALYSIS OF STAFF COSTS, TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES AND THE COST OF KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The average number of employees was:

·	2019	2018
Raising funds	4	4
Charitable operations	39	39
Support	5	5
Total	48	48
Their aggregate remuneration comprised:		
	2018	2018
	£000's	£000's
Wages and salaries	1,132	1,037
Social security costs	101	91
Pension costs	106	88
Severance	2	3
Total	1,341	1,219

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# 11) ANALYSIS OF STAFF COSTS, TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES AND THE COST OF KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL (continued)

During the year a severance payment was made to 1 member of staff who had reached the end of a 3 year fixed term contract.

The number of employees whose emoluments excluding pension contributions but including benefits in kind were in excess of £60,000 was:

	2019	2018
£60,000-£70,000	1	
£80,000-£90,000	1	-
£110,000-£120,000	<b>-</b>	1
Total	2	1

The key management personnel of the charity are listed on page 1. The total remuneration (including pension contributions but excluding employer's NIC) of the key management personnel of the charity for the year totalled £445,000 (2018: £421,000). Total employer's NIC paid in respect of key management personnel totalled £41,000 (2018: £39,000).

#### Trustees' Remuneration

No Trustees received remuneration during the current or prior year. £1,000 of expenses were paid to one Trustee during 2019 (2018: nil) for travel expenses.

#### 12) TAXATION

The activities of the charitable company are exempt from corporation tax. The activities of the charitable company's wholly owned trading subsidiary are subject to corporation tax, however all profits are paid to the charitable company by way of gift aid therefore no tax liability will arise.

#### 13) IRRECOVERABLE VAT

The charitable company was unable to recover £117,000 VAT for the 2019 financial year (2018: £432,000). This has been allocated back to the individual expenditure categories to which it relates. The significantly higher figure for 2018 can be attributed to expenditure on the Functions Pavilion construction project.

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### 14) TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Long	Visitor	Office	Assets	Totals
	Leasehold and	Facilities and	Equipment	Under	
	Ground	Fixtures		Construction	
	Improvements			•	
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Cost:					
At 1 October 2018	2,161	20,488	25	696	23,370
Additions	-	-*		534	534
Disposals		(88)			(88)
Transfers	<u>.</u>	1,230	-	(1,230)	
At 30 September 2019	2,161	21,630	25	-	23,816
Accumulated					
Depreciation:					
At 1 October 2018	1,100	1,497	24	-	2,621
Disposals		(65)			(65)
Charge for the year	126	428	1	<del>*</del>	555
At 30 September 2019	1,226	1,860	25	•	3,111
Net Book Value:					
At 30 September 2019	935	19,770	·	<del>-</del>	20,705
At 1 October 2018	1,061	18,991	1	696	20,749

In 1994 the NMA site of 152 acres was gifted by Lafarge Aggregates on a 999 year lease at a peppercorn rent. Included in the cost of the long leasehold land is land with an ascribed value of £120,000 (2018: £120,000) and landscaping costs to bring the grounds into use at £827,000 (2018: £827,000) which is not depreciated.

The completion of the infrastructure project has resulted in a transfer of £1.2 million from Assets Under Construction relating to visitor facilities and fixtures.

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### **15) HERITAGE ASSETS**

Basis of capitalisation	Trees	Total
	At cost	
	£000's	£000's
Carrying amount at 1 October 2018	348	348
Carrying amount at 30 September 2019	348	348

	2019 £000's	2018 £000's	2017 £000's	2016 £000's	2015 £000's
Purchases:					
Trees	-	-	2	57	-
<b>Total Additions</b>	-	-	2	57	-

Trees are an inherent part of the Arboretum and have been designated Heritage Assets and are not depreciated as described in note 1. These trees are included at cost as the majority have been selected for their symbolic meaning rather than from an arboreal collection perspective. The trees were originally planted as saplings and are now quite mature specimens. In the Trustees' opinion no provision for impairment is required at this time. During the year no new mature trees were planted.

The Armed Forces Memorial is included in the accounts at a deemed cost of £1. This reflects the dilapidated state in which the memorial was transferred to the NMA in 2015. The cost of ascertaining a value for the memorial through a surveyor's valuation significantly outweighs any benefit that will be derived by the organisation. Ongoing repairs and maintenance costs to the memorial were expensed in the year.

### **16) FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS**

The Trustees of the charitable company own the entire issued share capital of two ordinary shares of £1 each at a cost of £2 of NMA (Enterprises) Ltd. During the year NMA (Enterprises) gifted profits of £664,000 (2018: £563,000) to the NMA and at the end of the year had aggregate reserves of £107,000 (2018: £124,000).

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# 17) DEBTORS

	2019	2018
	£000's	£000's
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade Debtors	52	63
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertaking	252	292
VAT debtor	-	82
Prepayments and accrued income	260	663
Total	564	1,100
B) CREDITORS		
	2019	2018
	£000's	£000's
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade creditors	126	330
Amounts owed to parent undertaking	142	131
HMRC- PAYE and NI	35	-
VAT creditor	19	
Accruals and deferred income	485	619
Total	807	1,080

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# 19) COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		Unrestricted Funds £000's	Restricted Funds £000's	Endowment Funds £000's	Total Funds 2018 £000's
	Note				
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
	3	1,216	7,947	146	9,309
Donations and Legacies Charitable Activities	3 4	1,21 <del>0</del> 470	7,947 245	140	9,309 715
Other Trading Activities	4	470 51	245	<u>-</u>	713 51
Investments:		31	-	-	31
Gift aid from NMA (Enterprises)	5	563	_	<del>-</del> ;	563
Bank interest	6	505	 -	3	3
TOTAL INCOME	• .	2,300	8,192	149	10,641
TOTAL INCOME		2,300	0,132	*43	20,042
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising Funds	7	538	<b>=</b>		538
Charitable Activities	8	2,526	1,338	21	3,885
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	•	3,064	1,338	21	4,423
Net (expenditure)/income for the year	÷	(764)	6,854	128	6,218
Transfer between Funds	20	6,458	(6,458)	*	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		5,694	396	128	6,218
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	-	15,754	643	712	17,109
Net movement in funds for the year		5,694	396	128	6,218
Total funds carried forward	-	21,448	1,039	840	23,327

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## 20) MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	At 1	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30
	October				September
	2018				2019
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	1,416	2,529	(2,952)	(630)	363
Designated Funds					
Fixed assets	20,032	,-	(557)	1,230	20,705
Development and Engagement	<u>.</u> '	90	**	-	90
Designated Funds Total	20,032	90	(557)	1,230	20,795
Total Unrestricted Funds	21,448	2,619	(3,509)	600	21,158
Expendable endowments*:			(2)		
NMA Memorials & Buildings	208	34	(8)	-	234
Basra Wall	29	-	<del>-</del> .	••	29
Army Apprentices	40	-	(1)	-	39
Durham Light Infantry	20	=	(2)	-	18
British Korean Veterans	35	-	(2)	-	33
Polish Ex-Combatants	58	1	(3)	-	56
Royal Ulster Constabulary	34	-	(1)	-	33
Bastion Memorial	50	1	(1)	-	50
Royal Engineers	85	1	(1)	-	<b>8</b> 5
Police Service Northern Ireland	34	-	(1)	-	33
Victims of overseas terrorism	44	1	(2)	-	43
Heroes' Square garden	143	1	(8)	-	136
maintenance					
Royal Electrical & Mechanical	37	1	(1)	-	37
Engineers					
Devon & Dorset Regiment	23	<del>-</del>	(1)	-	22
Total Expendable endowments	840	40	(32)		848
Restricted Funds					
AFM	365	166	(146)	(31)	354
Infrastructure & Tourism signs	-	332	(50)	(282)	<b>4</b>
Remembrance Centre	202		1	(61)	142
WW1 Commemoration	8		(8)	-	
Functions Pavilion	350		(86)	(208)	56
Future strategic development**		34	(32)		2
Heritage Lottery fund	78	63	(141)		-
Veolia – Pathway improvements	36	(5)	(23)	(8)	-
Other Funds received and fully					
utilised in year	<u> </u>	126	(116)	(10)	•
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	1,039	716	(601)	(600)	554
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Total Charity Funds	23,327	3,375	(4,142)	-	22,560

<sup>\*</sup>Due to the increase in expendable endowments only endowments of more the £20,000 are separately disclosed, all others are included under the NMA memorials and buildings category.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Relates to the development of the existing landscape and requirements for a new car park required from 2023.

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#### 20) MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS (continued)

Separate funds are held for the following purposes

- NMA Memorials & Buildings —and other small restricted funds with a value less than £20,000
- Basra Wall memorial maintenance
- Army Apprentices lifetime
- Durham Light Infantry lifetime memorial maintenance
- British Korean Veterans plot/bench maintenance
- Polish Ex-Combatants lifetime memorial maintenance
- Royal Ulster Constabulary lifetime memorial maintenance
- Bastion Memorial lifetime memorial maintenance and addition of any additional names to the memorial
- Royal Engineers memorial maintenance
- Police Service Northern Ireland lifetime memorial maintenance
- Heroes' Square garden maintenance garden and water feature maintenance
- Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers lifetime memorial maintenance
- Devon & Dorset Regiment lifetime Memorial maintenance
- Victims of Overseas Terrorism lifetime Memorial maintenance
- AFM improvement project funds received for the repair and improvement works funded by the LIBOR grant paid to the NMA's parent charity
- AFM funds for the general upkeep of the memorial
- Infrastructure works to put the NMA on mains gas and sewage
- Remembrance Centre Appeal monies received and costs incurred relating to the new visitor centre
- Boeing trails and World War I commemoration
- Functions Pavilion funding received from the parent charity to progress the development of a permanent functions pavilion to host the 250 Remembrance functions which take place on site per annum
- WWI commemoration grant received for WW1 commemoration activities
- Heritage Lottery fund activity plan and audience development
- Veolia pathway improvements

Note: Expenditure of restricted funds for items which are subsequently capitalised will result in a transfer from restricted to unrestricted funds as the items capitalised are subsequently used for general purposes.

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# 21) COMPARATIVE MOVEMENT ON FUNDS

	At 1	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30
	October				September
	2017				2018
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	2,226	2,300	(2,652)	(458)	1,416
Designated Funds					
Fixed assets	13,528	-	(412)	6,916	20,032
Designated Funds Total	13,528	-	(412)	6,916	20,032
Total Unrestricted Funds	15,754	2,300	(3,064)	6,458	21,448
Expendable endowments*:					•
NMA Memorials & Buildings	176	39	(7)	-	208
Basra Wall	29	-		.=	29
Army Apprentices	41	<u>.</u> ÷	(1)	-	40
Durham Light Infantry	20	·	(-/	-	20
British Korean Veterans	35	· _	÷	_	35
Polish Ex-Combatants	60	_	(2)	ے	58
Royal Ulster Constabulary	35		(1)	_	34
Bastion Memorial	50	_	(~)		50
Royal Engineers	20	65	•	•	85
Police Service Northern Ireland	34	-		-	34
Victims of overseas terrorism	•	44	-	•	44
Heroes' Square garden	150	1	(8)		143
maintenance	200	•	(0)		
Royal Electrical & Mechanical	38	_	(1)	<u>.</u>	37
Engineers	30		(-)	-	<i>3.</i>
Devon & Dorset Regiment	24	_	(1)		23
Total Expendable endowments	712	149	(21)	-	840
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Restricted Funds					
AFM improvement project	37	-	(3)	(34)	-
AFM	264	162	(95)	34	365
Infrastructure	9	100	(8)	(101)	-
Remembrance Centre Appeal	294	10	(88)	(14)	202
WW1 Commemoration	30	240	(246)	(16)	8
Boeing	9	-	(9)	-	-
Functions Pavilion	•	7,265	(588)	(6,327)	350
Heritage Lottery fund		275	(197)	<b>(</b>	78
Veolia – Pathway improvements	-	60	(24)	-	36
Other Funds received and fully			<b>,</b> ,		
utilised in year	-	80	(80)	<u>-</u>	<u>.</u>
Total Restricted Funds	643	8,192	(1,338)	(6,458)	1,039
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Total Charity Funds	17,109	10,641	(4,423)	•	23,327
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<sup>\*</sup>Due to the increase in expendable endowments only endowments of more the £20,000 are separately disclosed, all others are included under the NMA memorials and buildings category.

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#### 22) ANALYSIS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £000's	Designated Funds £000's	Restricted Funds £000's	Endowment Funds £000's	Total _ 2019 £000's
Fixed assets	348	20,705	<del></del>	<del>व</del>	21,053
Current assets	602	90	774	848	2,314
<b>Current liabilities</b>	(587)	₹.	(220)	-	(807)
Total	363	20,795	554	848	22,560

#### 23) COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £000's	Designated Funds £000's	Restricted Funds £000's	Endowment Funds £000's	Total 2018 £000's
Fixed assets	1,065	20,032	.=	-	21,097
Current assets	793	=	1,677	840	3,310
<b>Current liabilities</b>	(719)		(361)		(1,080)
Total	1,416	20,032	1,039	840	23,327

### 24) EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT BENEFITS

### **Defined contribution scheme**

The company operates a defined contribution scheme for all qualifying employees. The company's contribution to the scheme in the year was £101,000 (2018: £88,000). Outstanding amounts to be paid into the scheme at the year end were £9,000 (2018: £9,000).

#### 25) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company received payment of £215,000 (2018: £152,000) from NMA (Enterprises) to cover the cost of operational overheads incurred on its behalf. The remaining 2018 operating surplus of NMA (Enterprises) of £124,000 and a proportion of the 2019 operating surplus (£540,000), was donated to the National Memorial Arboretum Company under gift aid during 2019 (2018: £128,000 was donated in respect of the 2017 operating surplus).

The company received £1.1m (2018: £6.8m) in grants from its parent charity the Royal British Legion these included a general Remembrance grant of £724,000 (2018: £624,000), and £366,000 for strategic projects (2018: £6.1m).

No Trustee received payment for professional services or other services provided to the charity during the year (2018: £nil).

There were no donations received from Trustees during the year (2018: £nil).

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### **26) CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

a. Reconciliation of net income to cash generated by operations.

	2019 £000's	2018 £000's
Net (expenditure)/income for the year	(767)	6,218
Adjustments for:		
Interest receivable	(7)	(3)
Depreciation charges	555	427
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	23	
Operating cash flow before movement in working capital	(196)	6,642
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	536	(189)
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	(273)	355
Cash provided by operating activities	67	6,808
b. Analysis of Cash and cash equivalents:		
•	2019	2018
	£000's	£000's
Instant access working capital	240	691
Notice deposits	259	256
Other cash balances	1,251	1,263
Total cash and cash equivalents	1,750	2,210

#### 27) ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

The Royal British Legion (Registered Charity number 219279) is the charitable company's ultimate parent undertaking. The consolidated financial statements of The Royal British Legion can be obtained from the charity's registered office at 199 Borough High Street London, SE1 1AA. The accounts of the NMA's trading subsidiary NMA Enterprises Ltd (Company number 4259701) can be obtained from Companies House.