

The Regency Society of Brighton and Hove

Report of the trustees and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018

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Constitution

The Regency Society is a registered charity, no. 210194. It is governed by its Constitution, adopted by members at a special general meeting on 2 March 2011 and amended on 6 February 2013.

Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 December 2018

The Society's Charitable Objects are:

- (1) to promote for the benefit of the public, the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and built environment of the City of Brighton and Hove and the surrounding area.
- (2) to advance the education of the public in the history, conservation, protection and improvement of this physical and built environment.

Conservation, protection and improvement

We have monitored development proposals throughout the City during the year. We met developers and council officers to discuss schemes such as the restoration of the Madeira arches; residential buildings proposed for the Marina; and restoration of the main building at Saltdean Lido. We continued to monitor the Council's controversial Waterfront Project, which aims to re-develop Churchill Square and build a new events venue at Black Rock.

We have objected to a number of planning applications including a seven-storey residential block in Moulescoomb, which we felt was out of sympathy with the "garden suburb" character of the area. Planners disagreed and it has been approved. We had more success with the Sea Lanes plan for a temporary swimming pool and related buildings on the beach at Madeira Drive. After considerable discussion, we decided to object because of its impact on views of the nearby listed arches. It was refused by the Planning Committee for similar reasons.

Advancement of education

History

The society owns the James Gray collection of historic photographs of the city, which is held on our behalf at The Keep. Work has continued on upgrading the James Gray website. A team of 70 volunteers (members and non-members) has been adding to the original notes made by James Gray about each image. They have also been walking the streets taking photographs of current views to put alongside the originals.

Current Issues

During the summer we published issue 5 of the *RS Journal*, edited by John McKean. It was devoted entirely to *Brighton and the Housing Crisis*. This was followed by a discussion forum in November at which a panel of experts shared their views and responded to contributions from the audience. In the

same month we held a similar discussion event on the challenge of restoring the listed Madeira arches.

The speaker at the Antony Dale lecture in the Royal Pavilion in March was Brighton-born architect Piers Gough, whose title was *The Rigorous Rapture of Blissed-out Brighton*. Other talks in our events programme included *Brutalism; Designing a Hospice; New Theatres for Old; and Downland Churches*.

The lecture on churches was followed up in April with a coach tour. Likewise, our October lecture on the history of Valley Gardens was followed up with a Sunday morning guided walk.

At our winter social event members proposed candidates for the title of worst 20th century building in the city. It was won by “the pedestrian entrance to Brighton Marina from Madeira Drive”. We have met the developers who hope to provide more housing in the outer harbour area – we have doubts about the proposed buildings but are pleased to note that their scheme would provide a much improved pedestrian entrance.

Membership

As at 31 December 2018 the Society had 358 members (345 in 2017), who are listed below. We continue to recover gift aid for those members who are eligible.

We have continued to keep members informed about our activities through regular news updates.

Our members’ garden party was held in Kemp Town’s secret garden. City mayor, Cllr. Dee Simson was our guest of honour. We were also very pleased to welcome our president, Sir Simon Jenkins and his wife, Lady Hannah Kaye.

Governance

The committee of trustees met formally on 11 occasions during 2018. The financial statements for the year are shown on pages 7-8. The trustees reviewed the reserve funds; and the investment policies after discussion with CAF Bank investment managers.

We are grateful to Stephen Pavey who has served as our independent financial examiner during the year. Stephen is a Regency Society member and undertakes the role on a voluntary basis.

Funding

The lecture programme and journals are largely available free of charge to members and to the public; they are funded from members’ subscriptions and other revenues. The exception is the Antony Dale lecture for which we hire the Royal Pavilion Music Room and serve drinks after the talk; an entrance

fee to contribute towards these costs is charged to all those attending. Tours and outings are also largely funded from charges to participants.

Reserves

The trustees have designated three unrestricted reserve funds for purposes directly related to the society's charitable objects:

Campaigning fund: this reserve is held to meet the cost of campaigning for or against proposed development activity, which the trustees consider likely to improve or to damage the city's physical and built environment. It has not been drawn on during 2018 and currently stands at £24,000.

Conservation or improvement fund: this reserve is held for use in supporting projects which the trustees believe will conserve, protect or improve the city's physical and built environment. A donation of £7,000 was made from this fund to the Saltdean Lido Community Interest Company to support their campaign to restore the main Lido building. The fund currently stands at £24,000, following a transfer of £7,000 from the general fund. A donation of £300 was made from the general fund to the Antony Dale Trust.

Education fund: this reserve is held to enable the society to subsidise events designed to educate the public in the history, conservation, protection and improvement of the city's physical and built environment. As mentioned above, the cost of the society's educational activities is met largely from annual revenue. The education fund is held to meet the cost of any significant additional educational activity that cannot be fully funded in the usual way. It has not been drawn on during 2018 and currently stands at £12,000.

Heritage assets

The society owns a small number of heritage assets. The James Gray photographic collection is one. There is also a small collection of other historic artworks and artefacts owned by the society that are on loan to the Brighton Royal Pavilion and Museums.

Property

The Society owns a storeroom in Regency Square, Brighton. This is held in trust for the society by the Official Custodian of Charities. During the year the trustees have been reviewing the contents of the storeroom, some of which are being deposited at the Keep.

Signed by Roger Hinton on behalf of the Trustees, 19 February 2019

Statement of financial activities (unrestricted funds) for the year ended 31 December 2018

	2018	2018	2017	2017
Income and endowments from:				
Subscriptions	£4,912.62		£4,827.00	
Lecture series + events	£5,386.80		£22,600.66	
James Gray collection	£600.00		£175.00	
Dividend income	£1,739.42		£1,583.23	
Donations + Gift Aid	£1,154.59		£2,995.62	
Interest received	£14.13		£12.12	
Total income		£13,807.56		£32,193.63
Expenditure on:				
<i>Direct expenditure</i>				
Lecture series + events		£4,998.91		£19,623.79
<i>Administration costs</i>				
Subscriptions	£429.50		£428.00	
Committee, AGM costs	£303.00		£555.00	
Donations ¹	£7,300.00		£10,500.00	
Internet and website costs	£814.87		£1,214.46	
Insurance	£271.78		£266.93	
Printing and postage and publications	£1,579.31		£1,421.33	
Bank charges	£60.00		£85.60	
		£10,758.46		£14,471.32
Total expenditure		£15,757.37		£34,095.11
Net income or (net expenditure)		£(1,949.81)		£(1,901.48)
Gains (losses) on revaluation of investment assets		£(10,558.72)		£7,142.98
Net movement in funds		£(12,508.53)		£5,241.50
Total funds brought forward at 1 January		£121,483.00		£116,241.50
Total funds carried forward at 31 December		£108,974.47		£121,483.00

Balance sheet at 31 December

	2018	2018	2017	2017
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets at cost				
Furniture on loan to the Royal Pavilion ²	£1,715.00		£1,715.00	
James Gray Photographic Collection	£10,000.00		£10,000.00	
Storeroom ³	£-		£-	
	<u> </u>	£11,715.00	<u> </u>	£11,715.00
Investments at market value				
CAF UK equity stock	£74,006.21		£82,825.51	
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Total fixed assets		<u>£85,721.21</u>		<u>£94,540.51</u>
Current assets				
Bank account – CAFBank current	£1,000.00		£1,000.00	
Bank account – CAFBank deposit	£19,863.13		£22,329.50	
Bank account – Lloyds Bank current	£2,390.13		£3,612.99	
Total current assets		<u>£23,253.26</u>	<u> </u>	£26,942.49
NET ASSETS		<u>£108,974.47</u>		<u>£121,483.00</u>
Unrestricted funds ⁴				
General fund		£48,974.47		£61,483.00
Designated – campaigning		£24,000.00		£24,000.00
Designated – conservation or improvement		£24,000.00		£24,000.00
Designated – education		£12,000.00		£12,000.00
		<u>£108,974.47</u>		<u>£121,483.00</u>

Approved by the trustees on 15 January 2019
and signed on their behalf

Roger Hinton
Chairman

1 – £7,000 to the crowdfunding appeal for Saltdean Lido, from the conservation or improvement fund, topped up by the general fund; £300 to the Antony Dale Trust, from the general fund

2 – The assets lent by the Society to the Royal Pavilion are accounted for at cost: valuations are unchanged from 2010 and are reported as follows: 1. Candlesticks £5,000; 2. Circular table in elm £25,000; 3. State armchair £30,000; 4. Bust of George IV £10,000.

3 – Given to the Society in 2004. It is vested with the Charity Commission's Official Custodian.

4 – Funds designated by trustees, May 2014

Rupert Radcliffe-Genge
Honorary treasurer

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