

## Two churches supported in 2016



Church Eaton S Editha, roof repairs



Bradeley S Mary, general repairs

## Staffordshire Historic Churches Trust



[www.staffordshirehistoricchurchestrust.org](http://www.staffordshirehistoricchurchestrust.org)



## Who's Who

### Staffordshire Historic Churches Trust:

Registered charity: 240854

Presidents The Rt Hon the Earl of Shrewsbury and Talbot DL  
The Rt Revd Dr Michael Ipgrave OBE

Trustees Mrs Katie Brown, Mrs Kristina Williamson & Mr Phil Charles

Chairman The Venerable John Hall

#### Committee for 2016 - 2017

Mrs D Bradbury, Mrs K Brown, (Treasurer) Dr J Benton, Mrs K Williamson (Membership Secretary), Canon R Williams (Grants), The Revd G Bott, Mr P Charles (Secretary), Mr J Wallbridge (Ride and Stride). Also Prebendary M Metcalf for R&S finances.

Bank HSBC Bank plc, 49 Market Street, Lichfield, WS13 6LB

Website: <http://staffordshirehistoricchurchestrust.org/>

Objectives: The Trust is for the repair, maintenance, improvement, beautification and reconstruction of churches in Staffordshire.

## Celebrating Staffordshire's Churches

**Events 2017** Our **summer tours** take place on :

**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE at 2.00pm** visiting SOUTH STAFFS; St John Baptist MIDDLETON, St Peter DRAYTON BASSETT and St Mary, St Giles & All Saints , CANWELL where afternoon tea will be served.

**MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY All day** CHURCHES IN THE MOORLANDS visiting St Mary CALTON , St Bartholomew BLORE RAY , Holy Cross ILAM , St Peter ALSTONEFIELD St Laurence WARSLOW and St Luke ONECOTE .

**SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER at 2.00pm** NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE - THE POTTERIES visiting Sacred Heart TUNSTALL (RC) , St Joseph BURSLEM (RC) and Holy Trinity SNEYD where afternoon tea will be served.

**See enclosed booking slip for details!**

*An Evening at Blithfield Hall WS15 3NL  
by kind invitation of Charlie & Cosy Bagot Jewitt*

*Tuesday September 12<sup>th</sup>*

*6.30pm for 7.00pm*

*See website for details*

## News

We are pleased to announce a new member of our Committee, Mark Parsons of Anthony Short and Partners (architects) of Ashbourne. Mark's professional expertise and practical approach to church building matters will be invaluable to the Trust; we are very glad to welcome him to the Committee. He is church architect to a number of churches in and around Staffordshire and Derbyshire, has a keen interest in all things historical and enjoys beagling!

### STAFFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

**OUR ANNUAL MEETING** will be at **St Michael's Church Lichfield on Saturday, July 15th at 2.00pm**. Tea & cakes will be served afterwards.

**We look forward to meeting as many of our Friends as possible!**



## The View from the Chair!

*Dear Friends,*

*This is my fourth and regrettably my last year as Chair of the Trust. I shall be standing down at this year's annual meeting on **July 15th at Lichfield St Michael's Church** which you are all very warmly invited to attend.*

*Funding for repairs is becoming increasingly difficult to find and the proposed closure of the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme (Heritage Lottery Fund) will only add to the financial challenge facing those who care for our historic churches. Therefore the work of the Trust and your support of it are more important than ever.*

*The Trust is most grateful to all who support it whether as individual members or through Church PCCs; please continue to do so and, if possible, please spread the word about our work. We have some new publicity and membership leaflets available via John Wallbridge: [jwallbridge@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jwallbridge@hotmail.co.uk)*

*Finally, as always, my thanks go to the members of the Committee for their continued dedication.*

*The Ven. John Hall*

# Annual Accounts April 2016 - April 2017



## STAFFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

### PAYMENTS

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>Grants</b>		
Whitgreave St John	2000	
Fradley St Stephen	2000	
Coven St Paul	1000	
Penn St Bartholomew	500	
Rickerscote St Peter	1000	
Penn St Anne	500	
Denstone all Saints	500	
Church Eaton St Editha	500	
Bradley St Mary	500	
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>8500</u></b>	<b><u>11500</u></b>
<b>Other Payments</b>		
Conference fees	319 *	
Postage & Printing	258	
Ride and Stride Costs	635	
Tours	98	
Website	120	
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>1430</u></b>	<b><u>848</u></b>
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>9930</b>	<b>12348</b>

### RECEIPTS

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>Subs &amp; Donations</b>		
Subscriptions	2374	2076
PCC Donations	637	777
Other Legacy	132	10015
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>3143</u></b>	<b><u>12868</u></b>
<b>Other Receipts</b>		
Annual Event	0	1167
Summer Tour	290	168
Autumn Tour	265	0
Total Gift Aid	1835	2352
Ride and Stride	1000	5075 **
Investments	7189	6073
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>10579</u></b>	<b><u>14835</u></b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>13722</b>	<b>27703</b>

**Ride and Stride** takes place nationwide on the second Saturday in September. Half of all the money raised is returned to the participating churches. In 2016 in Staffordshire 140 churches took part by opening their churches to receive visitors, or by sending out walkers and cyclists, or both. 120 participants were sponsored raising a total of £11,951. The winner of the Ride and Stride Trophy for the greatest number of churches visited on the day will be announced at the annual meeting on **July 15th, at St Michael's, Lichfield**.

### What I liked about R&S 2016....

*"Finding out what goes on in churches (more than I'd thought)."*

*"Lunch in the pub!!"*

*"Getting to the end!"*

*"Plotting the optimum route to as many churches as possible—a real challenge!"*



**See you at Staffs R&S ?**  
**2017**

## Changes to Grants for Places of Worship Scheme

### Heritage Lottery Fund

The HLF's Grants for Places of Worship Scheme awards £30m to listed places of worship in the UK each year, £25m of that in England, with the majority going to Anglican churches. The HLF has now announced that this scheme will end with final applications in August. In addition to this the in-year budget in England has been cut from £25m to £16.6m due to declining lottery ticket sales. The HLF's statement on this can be found here:

<https://www.hlf.org.uk/about-us/news-features/new-approach-supporting-places-worship>

The current GPOW scheme offers grants between £10k-£250k to fund urgent structural repairs and small amounts of building and facility enhancements such as toilets. The scheme is set up to be lighter touch in application and evaluation terms than the HLF's other schemes. There is still a requirement to meet people-focused outcomes but these are not as stringent as in some other schemes. On average a much higher proportion of money from GPOW is spent on repairs than is true of other HLF schemes.

The decision to make the cut doesn't reduce the amount of money available to HLF overall (other than the overall budget cut, which is a separate issue), but transfers the entire UK GPOW pot into general HLF funds. It will stop being ring-fenced for listed places of worship and will require churches to compete with all other forms of heritage building for funds.

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<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	
HSBC current Account	17025	25290	
HSBC Deposit Account	1217	1219	
CBF Legacy Account	5063	16004	
CBF Deposit Account	0	2749	
CBF Global Investments	94749	75000	***
CBF income Shares	81000	75000	***
Capital Account	0	25000	
CBF Property Fund Income	25000	0	***
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>224054</u></b>	<b><u>220262</u></b>	
<b><u>Increase in assets</u></b>	<b><u>3792</u></b>		
<b><u>Liabilities</u></b>			
Grants offered but not paid	15000	14500	

### Notes

- 2 early bird tickets for 2017 purchased in this year.

\*\* No Ride & Stride 2016 income received.

\*\* \* At 05.04.16 Market value of CBF Global Equity (Not investments) was £102954, CBF Investment Fund (Not income shares) was £91773 and CBF Property shares (not income shares) was £24393.

No trustee or officer of the Trust received remuneration during the year; expenses are reimbursed.

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### STAFFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

Summary of Receipts and Payments	2017	2016
Total receipts for the year	13722	27703
Total payments for the year	9930	12348
Excess of receipts over payments	3792	15355

#### Independent Examiners Report on the Accounts for the year ended 5th April 2017

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all of the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:  
(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records with section 130 of the Act: and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met ; or

## Become a Friend of the Trust

Please enrol me/us as a Friend/Friends of the Trust

Please write your details in **BLOCK CAPITALS**:

Title (s): First name( s):

Surname:

Full address:

Postcode:

Tel:

Email:

*Data collected will not be given to any third party*

### Standing Order

Bank name:

Full address:

Postcode:

Starting on (date):

*(please allow 28 days for processing)*

and then annually on the same date please pay:

Staffordshire Historic Churches Trust HSBC Lichfield

Sort code: 40-28-18 Account no: 51107100

The sum of £20/other £

Your account name:

Sort Code: Account no:

Signature: Date:

### Make a donation

I would like to make a single donation of £

### Gift Aid Declaration

To increase the value of your donation/subscription tick the box

I want to Gift Aid my donation of £ to SHCT

*I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/ or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference.*

Signature:

*Please send the completed form to our hon. Treasurer: Katie Brown, Admaston Farmhouse, Admaston, Rugeley, WS15 3NH.*