

Charity registration number: 203159

The Gloucestershire Society

**Annual report and financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2018**

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Administrative information

Registered charity number: 203159

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The Gloucestershire Society

Trustees' report

For the year ended 31 December 2018

Structure, governance and management

The Gloucestershire Society is an unincorporated Registered Charity, which is governed by its Trust Deed.

The charity is administered by its committee of trustee members, who are appointed in accordance with the Trust Deed. The committee holds at least two ordinary meetings each year to discuss key matters and ensure the smooth running of the charity.

Objectives and activities

The objectives of the charity is to provide relief from poverty for people resident in the Gloucestershire area who are in need, in hardship or distress. The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Summary of main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity continued to provide a vital service to its user groups during the year.

The Society had a successful appeal during the year led by our president Roger Head, raising funds totalling £48,527. We were pleased to carry on the important work of distributing small grants to people in need, and provided a total of 719 grants, in the range between £10 and £150 each

Reserves policy

The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level to meet approximately 9 months' normal expenditure levels. This is considered to provide sufficient funds to continue to provide grants to beneficiaries in the event of a drop in income.

Financial review

The detailed receipts and payments accounts are included on page 3. As shown in the accounts, the principle sources of funds were donations received during the year. The key areas of expenditure included individual grants and administration costs.



Michael Strong
Trustee

Dated: 30/10/19

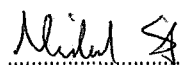
Receipts and payments account and statements of assets and liabilities
For the year ended 31 December 2018

	2018 £ Unrestricted	2017 £ Unrestricted
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and other similar receipts		
Donations	48,527	52,253
Investment Income Receipts		
Deposit Interest	20	23
Total receipts	<u>48,547</u>	<u>52,276</u>
Payments		
Grants Paid		
Individual grants	56,864	47,767
Management and administration		
Independent examination	750	480
Administrator costs	4,800	5,225
Other administration costs	1,794	1,897
Total payments	<u>64,208</u>	<u>55,369</u>
Net movement of fund	(15,661)	(3,093)
Cash funds		
Cash balances at 1 January 2017	60,305	63,398
Cash balances at 31 December 2017	<u><u>44,644</u></u>	<u><u>60,305</u></u>

Related party transactions

The administrator costs of £4,800 (2017: £nil) were paid to Saffery Champness LLP, whom a partner is a trustee of the charity.

Signed on behalf of the Committee



Michael Strong
Trustee

Dated: 30/10/19

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Gloucestershire Society
For the year ended 31 December 2018

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2018 which are set out on page 3.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

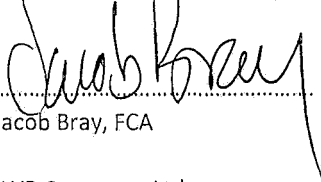
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Jacob Bray, FCA

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Dated: 30 OCTOBER 2019