THE TEWKESBURY BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY

(A CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended
5 April 2026

Registered Charity No. 1160146

The Tewkesbury Battlefield Society

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
For the period ended 5 April 2026

TRUSTEES

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Miss G Liddy (Treasurer)
Mr C A Montellier (Secretary)
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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
For the period ended 5 April 2026

The trustees submit their report and the financial statements of The Tewkesbury Battlefield Society for the period ended 5 April 2026.

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Charity's legal and administrative details are as shown on page 1.

TRUSTEES

The Trustees on page 1 are those who have served throughout the period or for a shorter period where indicated. Appointment of Trustees is governed by the constitution of the charity. The Committee is authorised to appoint new trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of an existing Trustee.

CHARITY FRAMEWORK

The Tewkesbury Battlefield Society is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, incorporated on 26 January 2015. The charity previously operated under the name Tewkesbury Battlefield Society (Charity registered No. 1105509). This charity ceased operations on 5 April 2015 and was removed from the Charity Commission Register on 29 July 2015. All assets and operations of the former charity were transferred to The Tewkesbury Battlefield Society as at 6 April 2015.

The objects of the charity are:

- to promote the permanent preservation of the battlefield and other sites associated with the Battle of Tewkesbury, 1471, as sites of historic interest, to the benefit of the public generally, and to engage in all relevant activities to secure such objectives.

- to advance education relating to the battlefield and associated sites, particularly in relation to all aspects of medieval history and to carry out research into matters associated with the sites, and to publish the useful results of such research.

- to provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation for the public at large with the object of improving their conditions of life.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE OF THE CHARITY AND FUTURE PLANS

During the year the Society continued its work of promoting the Battle of Tewkesbury and the preservation of the battlefield site.

The 2025-26 year saw us maintain our regular programme of events whilst pursuing projects to enhance understanding and awareness of the Battle of Tewkesbury in line with our primary objectives. As usual, we provided the exhibition tent at the heart of the Medieval Festival site which, along with the battlefield tours held at regular intervals throughout the weekend, helped anchor the Festival activities and re-enactment in the reality of historical events. Similarly, our regular monthly guided walks, together with one-off tours arranged on request and occasional ticketed talks, continued to be very popular, not only delivering on our objective of promoting awareness and understanding of the Battlefield and its context but adding to our income stream.

Our banners again flew proudly throughout the Town during the summer, providing a tangible link between the Battle and the Town's prosperity as a destination for visitors given their significant contribution to the look of our streets. We also continue a healthy relationship with the Tewkesbury Abbey team, lending banners for display and supplying items for sale in their shop to our mutual benefit. We have also been working closely with the trustees of the Elizabeth Wyatt House to secure the future of the building where our banners are painted and stored during the winter season.

Our project to erect a statue dedicated to Queen Margaret of Anjou now has all the necessary approvals in place, so we have upped our fundraising efforts to defray the cost while production work on the statue itself continues.

The year also saw us receive the President’s Award for Battlefield Interpretation from the Battlefields Trust, the national umbrella body for the preservation and study of British battlefields. The award represents many years of effort by Society members past and present, along with our partner organisations, to tell the story of the Battle of Tewkesbury and the ground on which it was fought. We’re very proud to be recognized by our peers in this way.

The Society will continue its work of education and awareness raising through well-established work programmes.

INVESTMENT POLICY AND RESERVES

The Committee has the power to invest money of the Charity not immediately required for its purposes in such investments or property as they think fit. Cash reserves are required to meet the day to day needs of the Charity and are therefore held in low risk deposit accounts which give immediate access to these funds.

The charity seeks to hold sufficient liquid reserves to allow the charity to raise sufficient funds to meet its objectives.

For and on behalf of the Committee

R Goddard

Chairman

9th October 2026

The Tewkesbury Battlefield Society
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual report and Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the Charity's state of affairs at the end of the financial year and of its income and expenditure for that year.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

a) Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

b) Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

c) State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

d) Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, Accounting regulations and SORP. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TEWKESBURY BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY

I report on the accounts of the Society for the period ended 5 April 2026, which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;

to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and

to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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 presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all 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:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met

- No matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination, to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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9th October 2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 5 April 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Voluntary income:					
Donations (including GiftAid)					
Banner rentals/donations		6,208	-	6,208	7,192
Activities for generating funds:					
Grant for Margaret of Anjou sculpture		-	500	500	280
Subscriptions		692	-	692	386
Income from events and publications		5,553	-	5,553	6,367
Investment income		710	-	710	828
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		13,163	500	13,663	15,053
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Fundraising costs	1	3,751	-	3,751	4,675
Charitable expenditure					
Direct charitable expenditure	2	2,592	-	2,592	2,802
Support costs	2	1,299	-	1,299	2,291
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		7,642	-	7,642	9,768
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		5,521	500	6,021	5,285
Fund balances at 6 April 2025		46,801	-	46,801	41,516
FUND BALANCES AT 5 April 2026	4	52,322	500	52,822	46,801

The Statement of Financial Activities has been prepared on the basis that operations are continuing.

All gains and losses have been dealt with in the above statement.

The notes on pages 9 to 10 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 5 April 2026

	Notes	2026 £	2025 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand	3	52,822	46,801
		52,822	46,801
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			
Deferred income – Town Council Grant		-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		52,822	46,801
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
General funds		52,322	46,801
Restricted funds		500	-
		52,822	46,801

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees for issue on 9th October 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

R Goddard Chairman

C Montellier Secretary

The notes on pages 9 to 10 form part of these accounts.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material to the financial statements.

INCOME RECOGNITION

Income is recognised in the period in which it falls due.

Donations are accounted for when received by the charity.

FIXED ASSETS

The Society buys materials and volunteers make banners which are displayed throughout the town each summer. No attempt has been made to place a value on these banners and accordingly all costs are charged to the Income and Expenditure account as they are incurred.

STOCKS

From time to time the Society prints publications and produces T-Shirts and other material for sale to the general public to raise funds and provide information. The Society carries a small stock of these materials. No attempt has been made to place a value on these and accordingly all costs are charged to the Income and Expenditure account as they are incurred.

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

General fund

The use of this fund has not been restricted to any particular purpose by the donors or their representatives.

RESTRICTED FUNDS
Restricted funds are those which are required to be used for specific purposes as set out by the donors. These funds are not available for the general use of the charity. During the year the charity has established a restricted fund to hold grants and donations towards the commissioning of a statue of Margaret of Anjou as detailed in the Trustees Report.

1 FUNDRAISING COSTS

	2026	2025
	£	£
Rent of room for banner painting	1,887	1,528
Banner maintenance	1,338	1,842
Books and publications	29	160
Other fundraising costs	497	1,145
	3,751	4,675

2 CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2026	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£
Direct costs				
Tewkesbury Medieval Festival costs	2,592	-	2,592	2,592
Donation	-	-	-	200
Professional fees	-	-	-	-
	2,592	-	2,592	2,802
Support costs				
Printing, postage, internet and sundry	829	-	829	1,940
Insurance	320	-	320	203
Bank charges	120	-	120	124
Sundry	30	-	30	24
	1,299	-	1,299	2,291

3 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2026	2025
	£	£
Current account	33,948	28,490
PayPal	399	547
CCLA Charities' Deposit Fund account	18,475	17,764
	52,822	46,801

4 VOLUNTARY HELP

The charity is dependent upon volunteers who carry out the day to day running of the charity, making banners and running a stand at the Tewkesbury Medieval Festival each year. For the purposes of these accounts no value has been attached to this or to any donations in kind.

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for the year 5 April 2026

	Unrestricted General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Voluntary income:				
Donations (including GiftAid)				
Banner donations	7,192	-	7,192	7,274
Activities for generating funds:				
Grant from Tewkesbury Borough Council	280	-	280	-
Subscriptions	386	-	386	360
Merchandise sales (clothing and publications)	5,252		5,252	3,651
Income from events (conference and walks)	1,115	-	1,115	862
Investment income	828	-	828	855
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	15,053	-	15,053	13,002
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Fundraising costs				
Banner maintenance, brackets, paint etc.	1,528	-	1,528	1,148
Rent of room for banner painting	1,842	-	1,842	1,882
Books and publications	160	-	160	3,514
T-Shirts, conference and walk costs	1,145	-	1,145	-
Charitable expenditure				
Direct charitable expenditure				
Tewkesbury Medieval Festival costs	2,602	-	2,602	2,592
Donation	200	-	200	-
Professional fees	-		-	1,797
Support costs				
Printing, postage, internet and sundry	1,940	-	1,940	307
Insurance	203	-	203	203
Bank charges	124	-	124	126
Sundry	24		24	45
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	9,768	-	9,768	11,614
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	5,285	-	5,285	1,388
Fund balances at 6 April 2025	41,516	-	41,516	40,128
FUND BALANCES AT 5 April 2026	46,521	-	46,521	41,516

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