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Financial Statements

year 2026

Period Covering

6th April 2025 to 5th April 2026

The Stanton Guildhouse Trust

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Name of Charity

The Stanton Guildhouse Trust
A Charitable Incorporated Organisation
founded 13th October 2016
Also referred to as “The Guildhouse” and “Stanton Guildhouse”
And governed by constitution.

Registered Charity Number

1169660

Executive President

Lord Mawson OBE

Trustees

Frank Creber - Chairman
Sir Dr Sam Everington OBE - Treasurer
Dr Elizabeth Hodges – Secretary
Fern Mawson - Trustee

Administrators and Employees

Angel Mawson - Manager
Julia Stanbridge - Accountant

Independent Examiner

Donald Findley

Bankers

CAF Bank

Chairman's Preface (Trustees report)

The Stanton Guildhouse Trust is a charitable organisation which exists to promote traditional arts and crafts, and to provide a restful centre for education, meditation and training. In order to maintain the arts and crafts provision in the studio, pottery and workshop, the Guildhouse generates extra income from letting its facilities as a retreat for meetings, conferences and leisure activities.

A significant proportion of income is put back into the buildings and infrastructure, improvements have been made to heating, lighting and fixtures and fittings, as well as horticultural work and hard landscaping to the exterior of the property. Where furniture is purchased to replace old or sub standard pieces, there is a focus on purchasing high-quality, locally produced items that reflect enduring British design traditions while also showcasing the best of contemporary design.

A new modern, user-friendly website has been developed to share the story of the Stanton Guildhouse—its founding, its heritage, and the current programme of arts and craft classes, along with details of its house-letting offer.

For the 12 months ending 5th April 2026, the Trust recorded a loss of £30,475 (2025 £3,361). This was due in large part to on-going insurance repairs for subsidence in the workshop and studio from November 2025. As the trust benefits from the profits of its wholly owned trading subsidiary the trustees do not foresee remedial action required.

A full range of classes were held in the year, the staff team constantly review the class programme, ensuring there is a diverse selection of arts and crafts disciplines on offer, that appeal to local people. The Art workshop spaces have undergone upgrades during the year, replacing out of date equipment, and tutors have taken part in training in line with our Health and Safety policies.

I would like to record my thanks to all our trustees, tutors and staff, for their invaluable support and good humour throughout the year.

Frank Creber



Chairman of Trustees

29/09/2026

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of The Stanton Guildhouse Trust for the Twelve Month Period Ended 5 April 2026

In accordance with the instructions given to me, I have examined the income and expenditure account, prepared by the Trustees, and compared it to the computer records, together with additional information and explanations supplied to me.

The account shows a loss of £30,475 for the year, and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities shows net assets of £2,142,257.

My examination of the financial records of the Trust was carried out in accordance with the general directions for small charities given by the Charity Commissioners. The examination included a review of the computerised cash accounting records maintained by the Trust, seeking explanations and clarification for any unusual items, where necessary, from the administrative staff or Trustees. The records appear to be robust with good regular financial reporting to the Trustees and back-up records maintained safely.

The procedures I have undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the income and expenditure of the Trust for the financial year covering the period 6 April 2025 to 5 April 2026.

In connection with my examination of the Income and Expenditure Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, no matter has come to my attention which is not covered in my comments and notes to the accounts:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with the Charities Act requirements, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, and comply with the accounting requirements of that act, have not been met; and
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached, provided all pages of these accounts are read.

Regards

Donald Findley

Donald Findley

11/06/2026

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		2026	
unrestricted funds			
INCOME		£'s	£'s
Donations and legacies			
Fund Raising & Grants		150	685
Donations and legacies	1	17,537	20
Charitable activities			
Craft Classes, Education & Training	2	21,320	42,46
Summer Schools			
Trading activities			
Lettings & Accommodation	3	4,472	8,63
Investment activities			
Interest Earned		1,502	1,6
TOTAL INCOME		**44,981**	**74,296**
EXPENDITURE			
raising funds			
Advertising, Marketing & Website		-	
Postages, Telephones & Photocopying		2,391	
		2,391	2,910
Charitable activities			
Craft Classes & Community Activities	2	24,944	33,04
General Overhead Costs		967	1,0
		25,911	34,143
Overheads			
Maintenance & Repairs		2,871	
Depreciation		10,120	
Heat, Light & Water		4,677	
Insurances		5,221	
Payroll Costs	3	21,930	17,483
General Office			
Bank Charges		338	
Professional Fees		1,997	
		47,154	40,604
TOTAL OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE		**75,456**	**77,657**
Net income/(expenditure)		**-30,475**	**-3,361**

		2026	2025
FIXED ASSETS	(A)		
Freehold Property		2,006,351	2,006,776
Fixture and Fittings		62,401	69,442
Plant & Equipment		9,728	11,562
Investments			
Stanton Guildhouse Ltd	(B)	1	1
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	(C)	9,015	22,086
prepayments and accrued income		4,093	4,614
HSBC account	(D)	0	0
CAF cash account		7,399	23,094
Scottish Widows	(D)	0	0
CAF Deposit account		75,452	78,966
Total Cash Balances		82,852	102,060
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		95,959	128,760
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(E)	32,183	43,809
NET CURRENT ASSETS		63,776	84,951
Total net assets/(liabilities)		2,142,257	2,172,732
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY	(F)		
Unrestricted funds b/f		92,205	86,174
transfer from designated funds		820	9,392
Current year earnings		-30,475	-3,361
Unrestricted funds c/f		62,550	92,205
Revaluation reserve		2,008,867	2,008,867
Unrestricted designated funds		70,840	71,660
Total funds		2,142,257	2,172,732

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

Note 1 Donations and legacies

Stanton Guildhouse Ltd, (the trading company) made a gift-aided donation of its taxable profits in the year to December 2024 of £17,537 (2025 for year to December 2023 £20,766).

There were no other donations (2025 £80) but £150 fundraising was received from an open day in June.

Note 2 Income from classes

The house was due to undergo some remedial work covered by insurance after the excessive dry summer in 2022 resulted in cracking. The works were due to start in November 2025 and classes were curtailed early in the term and not restarted in the house and pottery until March 2026. But still not restarted in the workshop and studio at the balance sheet date.The work was suspended awaiting listed buildings consent. The Trust will be pursuing a loss of earnings claim but at the time of preparing these accounts because the insurance work had not started, no claims had been prepared or filed.

Note3 Letting activity

The Trust granted a 7 year lease from April 2019 to its trading subsidiary, Stanton Guildhouse Ltd, to operate the holiday let business on behalf of the trust. The company, which has a December year end, gift-aids its taxable trading profits back to the trust to be spent on charitable purposes. In the year the trading company has been charged £1,000 lease and 50% of utilities and salary costs, net of furlough grants. Where the Trust rents out to other providers of daytime art and craft courses, this is seen as part of our charitable activities not ancillary trading activities. Some charitable letting continues to be managed by the trust directly.

Note 4 Payroll Costs

The trust has one employee Mr Angel Mawson who manages the property and earned £36,800 (2025 £30,500) in salaries (excl. statutory pensions and NIC). The trust allocates 50 % of the managers wage to the holiday letting business which is a reflection of the time spent on managing that work.

Note 5 Accounting Principles

The Trust is a non-company charity with gross income of less than £250,000. As such, and in compliance with Charity Commission requirements and SORP (FRSSE), these accounts have not been prepared on the accruals basis, but in accordance with the Trust's existing accounting policies and practices. In particular, transactions are analysed by their "nature", rather than by their "activity".

Note A Fixed Assets and Freehold Property

Legal title to the freehold property known as “The Guildhouse”, including the house, land and outbuildings, was passed over to the Trust on application due to its change of status to CIO. The transfer is pending formal conveyancing to transfer the title of the property to the CIO.

The freehold land and buildings are held at valuation costs basis and not subject to depreciation. A professional valuation has not been commissioned as the Trustees do not consider that the expense would be justified. However, they have insured the property and its contents for the sum of £2,596,872 on a replacement cost basis, which they believe to be adequate.

The trust capitalises its furniture and equipment on either 2 or 5 year straight line depreciation, based on the amount of use the item will be subjected to.

Fixture and fittings are depreciated on a 15 year straight line basis.

Note B Investment

The Trust owns 100% of the share capital of Stanton Guildhouse Ltd which run the furnished holiday lettings business and donate all taxable profits from that business back to the Trust. See note 1.

Note C Debtors

Included in Debtors is £7,355 (2025: £5,675) owed by Stanton Guildhouse Ltd which is responsible for running the furnished holiday let business. This loan is unsecured and repayable on demand.

Note D Bankers

The company finalised its moving of banking facility to CAF bank in the year and both the HSBC and Scottish Widows accounts were closed in 2024.

Note E Creditors

Included in creditors payable within one year is £29,058 (2025 £24,069) owed to Stanton Guildhouse ltd for joint services paid for on behalf of the trust.

Note F Funds

The Trust has no restricted or endowment funds. At the end of the year the Trust holds £71,660 (2025 £71,6601) of unrestricted designated funds toward the upkeep and maintenance of its classroom equipment, building and grounds. A transfer of £820 was made in the year for replacement extractor fan in the workshop (2025 £9,392).

The revaluation reserve represents the value of the property upon transfer to the CIO from unincorporated trust in 2016.