CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 06/04/2025 To 05/04/2026

Charity name: Ilminster History Society

Charity registration number: 1196283

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the education of the public in the subject of the social history and heritage of Ilminster town and its neighbouring communities and to promote research for the public benefit in all aspects of that subject and to publish the useful results.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Research and present information about the history of the town of Ilminster, through public talks and presentations as well as in the society's website and social media.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commissions' guidance on public benefit when planning all events and determining how best to utilise funds raised.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	**N/A**
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	**N/A**
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We have a small number of members who happily give up their time to help us at events and talks by setting up the room, manning the ticket desk and running the raffle.
Other		**N/A**

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During this financial period, the charity continued research for future talks and continued to promote itself. Due to trustee's personal lives being busy less was achieved during this period compared to previous years. One talk was delivered which brought in a good income.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Whilst no formal objectives are set for any given period, the Trustees are constantly striving to increase the amounts that are raised on a year-by-year basis to be able to provide more talks and events for the community and strive to one day open a Museum/Heritage Centre.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	**N/A**
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	**N/A**
Other		**N/A**

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of the financial period, the charity had £2708 in the bank
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	**N/A**
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	**N/A**
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	The holding of reserves is deemed to be unnecessary as the charity has no regular commitments.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	**N/A**
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	**None**

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Ticket sales from talks
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	**N/A**
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	**None**
Other		**N/A**

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		**N/A**
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	**Constitution adopted 21/10/2021**
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	**CIO**
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Interested parties are invited to a full meeting of the Trustees and then if all Trustees are in agreement they are appointed.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	**N/A**
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	**N/A**
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	**N/A**
Other		**N/A**

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Ilminster History Society
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1196283
Charity's principal address	71 Summerlands Park Avenue Ilminster TA19 9BU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Benjamin Jenner-Hurford	Chair		
2	Jacqueline Bennett			
3	Kevin Vining			
4	Stephen Hurford			
5	Rachel Wood			
6	Megan Bessell			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	B Jenner-Hurford	
Full name(s)	Benjamin Jenner-Hurford	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date		

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	6/4/2025	To	5/4/2026

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Talk ticket sales	644	-	-	644	-
Grants	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	1,644	-	-	1,644	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,644	-	-	1,644	-
A3 Payments					
Room Hire	25	-	-	25	-
Subscriptions	75	-	-	75	-
Website Costs	45	-	-	45	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	145	-	-	145	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	145	-	-	145	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,499	-	-	1,499	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,499	-	-	1,499	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Cash in bank	2,708	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	2,708	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
B Jenner-Hurford	Benjamin Jenner-Hurford	24/09/2026