Annual Report of the Trustees of the Edmund Plowden Trust for 1st November 2025-31st October 2026.

The trustees met on two occasions:19th November 2025 and 11th July 2026.

The trust continued with the publication of the journal *Law and Justice, the Christian Law Review* and in this period two issues of the journal were produced of which the main contents were:

Trinity/Michaelmas 2025

Can Christians Witness at Work? Lessons from *Higgs v Farmor.* Peter Frost

Leaving the European Convention on Human Rights? Frank Cranmer

Religious Education and the Supreme Court: Implications for Northern Ireland and Beyond Russell Sandberg

The Legal Status of Sacred Relics in English law – human remains, religious use, and cultural heritage in a post-secular context Fedor Arkhipov

Hilary/Easter 2026

The 15th Richard Sullivan Memorial Lecture: Religion, Torture and Human Rights: an international lawyer's perspective Professor Sir Malcolm Evans

Tensions between the ECHR and the Concordats: case law of the ECHR

Burkhard J. Berkmann

“Common Right and Reason”: Coke’s Application of the Natural Law to “Many, and Almost Infinite Particulars” Candace Marie Terman

From Restitution to Privilege: the Property Power of the Russian Orthodox Church Fedor Arkhipov

The Green Man/Foliate Head as a Symbol in the Context of Christian Memorialisation.

Helen Hall and Javier Oliva

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Sarah Fraser Butlin KC. resigned as a member of the editorial board during the year and was replaced by Prof. Alistair Mills.

The trustees continued the series of lectures which are now put on with Notre Dame London and with the financial support of the Newman Association under the title of the Richard O’Sullivan Memorial Lecture .

The 2025 lecture was given by Prof. Sir Malcolm Evans, Principal of Regent’s Park College, Oxford and formerly Professor of Public International Law at the University of Bristol., on Thursday 6th November 2025. The topic was 'Religion, Torture and Human Rights: an international lawyer's perspective'. The following lecture was given on 15th October 2026 by Professor Mary Ellen O’Connell who is Robert and Marion Short Professor of Law and

Professor of International Peace Studies at the University of Notre Dame. The topic was ‘There is No Just War: Natural Law Teaching on War and Peace’. This lecture was especially well attended and it was gratifying to see so many students there.

All lectures are open to the public and are free to attend. This is part of the Trust’s mission to promote discussion on current issues involving Christianity and law, ethics and human rights..

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Provisional Profit and Loss Account and other Income for the period 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025

Income:	
Subscriptions received:	£1748.43
Royalties received:	£91.39
Total:	**£1,839.82**
Expenditure:	
Printing	£1650.28
Indexing	£540.00
Total:	**£2,190.28**
Surplus/(deficit):	**£350.46**
Current assets:	
Premium Bonds:	£5,625.00
Deposit Account:	£4,053.28
Current Account:	£5,699.07
Total:	**£15,377.35**