HENRY SMITH'S CHARITY (TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY ESTATE)

REGISTRATION NO. 207722

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 MARCH 2026

HENRY SMITH'S CHARITY (TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY ESTATE)

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Trustees

Mr Charles N Gooch (Chairman)
Mr David Fleming (Vice Chair)
Mr Robert Malden
Mrs Claire Cottrell
Mr Ben Fisher
Mr Christopher Butler
Ms Claire Fisher
The Hon John Frederick Strutt

Ex-officio trustees

Revd. Nigel Adams
Revd. Louis Wilson
Revd. Dr Jonathan Pritchard

Bankers

Barclays Bank plc, Newland Street, Witham

Central Board of Finance of the Church of England

Solicitors

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Surveyors

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Clerk

Leigh Wetheridge, Bright & Sons Solicitors, Witham

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Sean Wiegand FCA
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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their annual report for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Henry Smith's Charity arose from a deed dated 20 December 1641 and a decree of the Commissioners of Charitable Uses made in 1699 and later from a scheme by the Charity Commissioners dated 8th March 1910.

Trustees are appointed or reappointed at the AGM held in June. They are appointed in accordance with the trust deed.

The charity's objective is to manage the property vested in it, being Whitehouse Farm in the Parish of Tolleshunt D'arcy, Essex and after defraying the expense of management divide the residue into 140 equal parts to be distributed in proportions laid down in the scheme between various ancient parishes in Suffolk, Essex, Hertford, Chester and Sussex.

The Trustees believe that the activities undertaken in order to fulfil the charity's objectives are done so to further public benefit.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

The Trustees are satisfied that the Trust properties are well managed and producing a steady income for the various beneficiary parishes.

At the year end the charity held £91,124 cash deposits which are unrestricted. The reserves policy is to hold sufficient funds to meet unforeseen expenditure in addition to expenditure related to the upkeep of the farm and buildings. The Trustees consider there is sufficient cash on deposit to uphold this policy. Due consideration is made annually by the Trustees as to the available funds for distribution.

Approved on behalf of the Trustees

Charles Gooch
Chairman

c/o Bright & Sons Solicitors
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Date 15/6/26

HENRY SMITH'S CHARITY (TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY ESTATE)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HENRY SMITH'S CHARITY

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2026 which are set out on pages 4 to 5

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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed



Sean Wiegand FCA
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01.07.2026

HENRY SMITH'S CHARITY (TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY ESTATE)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2026

	2026		2025	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Income receipts:				
From Assets:				
Rent Whitehouse Farm	36,373.00		36,372.50	
Electricity Wayleave	641.62		595.30	
Rent 1 Whitehouse Farm Cottages	13,250.00		12,650.00	
Rent 2 Whitehouse Farm Cottages	11,150.00		11,700.00	
Peter Eaton Insurance payment	9,370.32		6,575.50	
Peter Eaton Vehicle removal reimbursed	-		2,160.00	
Shawbrook Bank Interest	-		613.00	
Central Board of Finance interest	1,912.17		2,310.99	
Skipton building society interest	198.22		524.00	
Total receipts		**72,895.33**		**73,501.29**
PAYMENTS				
Direct expenditure:				
Insurance - Directors' Liability	696.01		696.01	
Farm Insurance	11,011.21		7,313.73	
Country Landowners Association subscription	348.00		330.00	
Fees Bright & Sons Solicitors	1,620.00		1,800.00	
Fees Savills	11,316.60		11,797.73	
Accountancy	1,206.00		1,140.00	
Sewage maintenance and repairs	126.00		253.73	
Cottage repairs and maintenance	1,870.06		12,164.00	
Legal Fees	90.00		108.00	
Electricity	-		196.73	
Rates	194.19		155.79	
Return of cottage deposit	-		241.48	
Direct expenditure sub-total		**28,478.07**		**36,197.20**
Other expenditure				
Distribution 2025/26 at £275 per part		38,500.00		38,500.00
Total payments		**66,978.07**		**74,697.20**
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		**5,917.26**		**- 1,195.91**
Deposit balances brought forward		85,207.33		86,403.24
Deposit balances carried forward		**91,124.59**	per note 2.1.4	**85,207.33**

HENRY SMITH'S CHARITY (TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY ESTATE)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

1. ACCOUNTING POLICY

These financial statements have been drawn up on the receipts and payments basis and comply with Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

2. STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

2.1 ASSETS

2.1.1 Whitehouse Farm, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Essex, comprising some 302 acres and outbuildings.
2.1.2 Numbers 1 and 2 Whitehouse Farm Cottages

The farm rent continues at an all inclusive rent of £36,373 per annum, which includes £5,328 commercial rent share and £3,240 in respect of 3, Whitehouse Cottages. This is paid in biannual payments of £18,186.50.

No.1 cottage has been let at £1,150 per month, increasing to £1,250 per month in the year. 5 rent payments of £1,150 and 6 rent payments of £1,250 were received during the year, giving a total received for this period of £13,250.

No 2 cottage has been let at £900 per month, increasing to £950 per month in the year. 5 rent payments of £900 and 7 rent payments of £950 were received throughout the year, giving a total received for this period of £11,150.
The above assets were vested in the charity under a scheme of the Charity Commission dated 8th March 1910.

2.1.3 DEBTORS

	2026	2025
	£	£
Rent outstanding in relation to Whitehouse cottage 1	-	1,150.00
	-	**1,150.00**

2.1.4 DEPOSITS

	2026	2025
	£	£
Barclays Bank current account	46,414.90	31,973.34
Central Board of Finance of the Church of England deposit	44,709.69	44,709.69
Shawbrook Bank	-	-
Skipton Building society	-	8,524.00
	91,124.59	**85,207.03**

2.2.1 Liabilities

	2026	2025
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	1,260.00	1,200.00
	1,260.00	**1,200.00**

2.2.1 Distributions

	2026	2025
	£	£
Total payments made to beneficiaries	38,500.00	38,500.00
	38,500.00	**38,500.00**

This statement of Assets and Liabilities was approved by the Trustees on 15/6/26

Charles Gooch
Chairman