

**The John Hampden  
Society**  
Annual Report and Financial  
Statements for the year  
ended 31 December 2013

**Registered charity 1098314**

## Foreword

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity company for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2013.

## Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year are shown below.

Ian Hollenden, Chairman

Roy Bailey,

Steve Barriff (elected at the AGM on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2013)

Anthea Coles, Honorary Secretary

Beatrice Dobie (co-opted to the Executive Committee 31 August 2013)

Sam Hearn, Honorary Treasurer (elected treasurer at the 2013 AGM)

Derek Lester (Honorary Treasurer until the 2013 AGM)

## Structure, Governance & Management

The Society has been a registered charity since 2003. The structure, governance and management are set out in its constitution agreed by the membership in 2003.

The objects of the charity are to;

- Make the character and achievements of John Hampden better known to the general public.
- Provide a library and archive of materials for research into Hampden's life and works.
- Preserve and conserve and erect monuments and artefacts associated with John Hampden.

Day-to-day responsibility for both restricted and unrestricted funds is delegated to the Honorary Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer.

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of its surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

<b>Bankers</b>	<b>Registered Office</b>
The Coop Bank plc Delf House Southway Skelmersdale WN8 6WT	134 Park Road Chiswick W4 3HP

## The Chairman's Annual Report

### Accounts

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985 and the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

As far as the Trustees are aware they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information.

### Funds

The charity currently has no restricted funds. The funds under its control can therefore be used to further any of the Society's objectives.

### Activities

The 2013 AGM was held on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April at *The Gate Inn* at Bryant's Bottom. Many members had earlier joined the congregation of the nearby church of St Mary Magdalene at Great Hampden for a special morning service. Before the formal business of the AGM, Colin Cartwright and Andrew Clark briefed members on the success of *Walking with Bucks Suffragettes*, a booklet part-sponsored by the Society.

Lord Hollenden, accompanied by four of his fellow trustees, laid the commemorative wreath at the Chalgrove Battlefield Monument on the 18<sup>th</sup> June. This event was preceded by a separate ceremony at the Monument organised on behalf of various local organisations wishing to mark the long overdue inclusion of Chalgrove in the Victoria County History of Oxfordshire.

Society members ran information stalls at the Bucks Family History Fair in July and the Bucks Local History Fair in September. Book sales at both events were encouraging and members of the public showed considerable interest in the Society and in John Hampden. New members joined following these events.

The Society is grateful to Dr Paul Hooper for his further donation of books to our Library. Member Veronica Keating has kindly donated a selection of books to the Library in 2014 following the sad death of her husband, Barry. Details of the full contents of the Library are available on the website and we are keen to lend books to members and others with an interest in John Hampden and his times.

The highlight of the year was probably the Society's first visit to the Houses of Parliament in September which was arranged through the good offices of Mr Speaker, John Bercow MP, one of the Society's Vice-Presidents. Whilst members were impressed by the whole experience there was disappointment that the statue of John Hampden at the entrance to the Central Lobby was shrouded in protective sheeting. A return visit will be arranged.

Thanks are due to Webmaster Roy Bailey for making incremental improvements to the website and keeping the content up to date. A sub-committee of trustees continues to investigate ways in which our website can be significantly improved. Negotiations are well advanced that will enable the Bucks Family History Society to sell the Society's publications via their website.

The Society continued to publish its popular quarterly newsletter *The Patriot*. We are grateful to all those members who have contributed articles and photographs for publication. The Editors must also be congratulated on maintaining the newsletter's high standards.

The Executive Committee is grateful for the contributions made by new trustees Stephen Barriff and Beatrice Dobie. Trustees have also been reviewing the Society's constitution and establishing a risk register.

Members who wish to take a more active part in the Society are encouraged to contact the Hon. Secretary or indeed any of the trustees. The Society has no employees and relies entirely on the work of volunteers to achieve its charitable objectives.

**Ian Hollenden – Chairman of The John Hampden Society**

**THE JOHN HAMPDEN SOCIETY  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2013**

	Notes	2013 £	2012 £
<b>Income</b>			
Members Subscriptions	1	1,430	1,323
Other donations		369	30
Goods Sold		202	137
Income from events		0	509
Fees for talks		0	90
Corrected banking error		58	0
Interest earned		2	2
		<u>2,061</u>	<u>2,091</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Cost of Events		27	767
Printing		387	525
Postage		650	152
Stationery		71	0
Insurance		65	58
Wreath		50	25
Trustees' expenses		39	0
Miscellaneous (new banner in 2013)		145	126
PayPal Charges		3	3
Sponsorship – Suffragette Trail Leaflet		0	330
IT Consultant		0	132
Donation		0	17
		<u>1,344</u>	<u>2,135</u>
<b>Net surplus / (loss) for the period/year</b>		<b>624</b>	<b>-44</b>
Opening Stamp Stock		878	414
Opening accruals		-92	-131
Opening debtors		58	0
Closing Stamp & Sash stock		-463	-878
Closing accruals (83+50)		133	92
Closing debtors		0	-58
Opening bank balance		4,429	5,034
<b>Closing bank balance - 31st December 2013 (2012)</b>		<u><b>5,567</b></u>	<u><b>4,429</b></u>

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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2013**

	Notes	2013 £	2012 £
Tangible assets		0	0
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Stock of stamps		463	878
Debtors		0	59
Cash		5,567	4,429
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>6,030</b>	<b>5,366</b>
Creditors		-275	-92
<b>Net current assets</b>			
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>5,755</b>	<b>5,274</b>
Unrestricted funds		5,755	5,274
Restricted funds		0	0
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<b>5,755</b>	<b>5,274</b>

**Notes & Policies**

1. The gift aid return for 2013 has not yet been submitted. Gift aid of £203 was recovered in 2012.
2. Stamp stock is valued at cost of £463. Books etc bought for re-sale are written off in year of purchase.
3. The Society maintains a reference Library. These books are not held for resale and no value has therefore been placed upon them. The catalogue is on [www.johnhampden.org](http://www.johnhampden.org)
4. The Society owns a medallion sculpture of John Hampden. It is loaned to & displayed by Thame Museum.