# THE HOSKING HOUSE TRUST Registered Charity No. 1076713 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

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#### TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

#### **Charity number**

1076713

#### **Trustees**

lan Danby (appointed February 2010) Petra Dolby Kathleen Duncan Paul Edmondson (Chair) Lavinia Sidgwick

Patrons: Marina Warner and Catherine Bott

#### Staff

Sarah Hosking - Secretary / founder (voluntary) Jane Farr – Part-time bookkeeper John Elliott – Part-time gardener / handyman

#### Principal office

33 The Square Clifford Chambers Stratford upon Avon CV37 8HT

#### **Bankers**

Lloyds TSB Bank plc National Clubs and Charities Centre Sedgemoor House Deane Gate Avenue Blackbrook Business Park Taunton Somerset TA1 2UF

#### Solicitor

AES Winterbothams Stokescroft Cossack Square Nailsworth Glos GL6 0DZ

#### Independent Examiner

H L Barnes and Sons Chartered Accountants Barclays Bank Chambers Stratford upon Avon CV37 6AH

#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

The Trustees hereby present their report with the financial statements of the Charity. These have been prepared in accordance with appropriate accounting policies and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed and applicable law.

#### Governance and structure

The Hosking House Trust is constituted under a trust deed dated April 1995, amended August 2004 and is a registered charity (no. 1076713). It is controlled by this trust deed and constitutes an unincorporated charity. The object of the charity is the relief of poverty by providing, maintaining and improving accommodation and financial support for women artists / writers of further promise and acknowledged achievement.

#### Organisation and management

The Trust is entitled to appoint between three and eight Trustees but has for some years conducted its business with five committed Trustees, including the position of chair. Trustees may serve for three years, with the option of re-appointment for a further three or further six years (nine years maximum) with the chair elected or re-elected every two years.

lan Danby, formerly of Arts Council West Midlands was appointed in February 2010. Paul Edmondson continued as elected chair and all other Trustees continued in service as previously.

All policy developments including strategic, cultural and financial decisions relating to the Trust have to be formally approved by a majority of Trustees. This year the management of the Trust continued uninterrupted as previously, with Sarah Hosking as the sole officer, Jane Farr as part-time bookkeeper and John Elliott as twice monthly summertime gardener / handyman.

#### **Activities and achievements**

The Trustees met twice, on 9 June and 12 November 2010. Fund raising raising ensured that the overspend on Church Cottage's structural and internal improvements were finally covered and also that the full programme of appointments made as a result of advertising the previous winter, were able to take place with the costs covered and the personal bursaries paid. These were, Ruth Thomas novelist (two weeks), Anna Shevchenko novelist (two months), Jane Brown garden historian / biographer (two months), Jan Dunn film producer / script writer (two months). All residencies were satisfactorily completed and this constituted the most consistent and successful year so far in the Trust's life.

#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

#### Reserves policy

The Trustees assume a policy whereby financial resources in the bank are adequate to cover any programme in progress and no programme is started without the resources to complete it. This has occasionally been guaranteed with the arrangement of a bank overdraft that has not recently been utilised.

#### Principal funding sources

Most money this year came from charitable trusts (£12,800) while individual donations continued (£7,761) and there was a small amount of earned income (£351). This enabled the Trust to run its programme consistently.

#### Independent Examination

Although the charity is not required to have any external scrutiny of its accounts for the year by reference to its level of income and assets held, the Trustees have decided that they will continue to have an Independent Examination whilst the charity holds significant funds.

#### Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by :

Paul Edmondson

25 July 2011

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE HOSKING HOUSE TRUST

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2011 which are set out on pages 5 and 6.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 43 of the 1993 Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act) and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements :
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

P L WOODWARD FCA

Chartered Accountant

H L Barnes and Sons

Barclays Bank Chambers

Stratford upon Avon

## THE HOSKING HOUSE TRUST RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

RECEIPTS		£	2011 (unrestricted funds) £
Donations Fundraising activities Elmhirst Trust re : Jane Br	own		20,561 351 3,500
TOTAL RECEIPTS			24,412
PAYMENTS			
Church Cottage costs  Administrative costs	Council tax Electricity Gas Water Telephone Gardener Computer maintenance Insurances Building work General  Bank charges Bookkeeping Entertaining Printed material Telephone Travel Website Postage Stationery Just Giving Interview expenses	699 231 332 148 337 728 255 521 8,029 1,406   105 572 296 1,142 967 161 299 140 413 213 307	12,686
Bursaries paid			8,625
Elmhirst Trust monies to Ja		3,500	
Payment of 31 March 2010		521	
TOTAL PAYMENTS		29,947	
EXCESS OF PAYMENTS		(5,535)	
Bank balance brought forw	13,319		
Bank balance carried for	£ 7,784		

#### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

#### **AS AT 31 MARCH 2011**

	2011 (unrestricted funds)
CASH FUND	,
Lloyds TSB Bank plc account number 02290333	£ 7,784
INVESTMENT ASSETS	
The Trust is a 25% beneficial tenant in common with Sarah Hosking of the property 33 The Square, Clifford Chambers. (The whole property was valued on 5 November 2010 by Sheldon Bosley and Partners, Chartered Surveyors at £242,000)	£ 60,500
ASSETS RETAINED FOR THE CHARITY'S OWN USE	
Freehold property – Church Cottage, 35 The Square, Clifford Chambers. (The property was valued on 5 November 2010 by Sheldon Bosley and Partners at £180,000)	£ 180,000
LIABILITIES	
Loan account with Sarah Hosking : Balance brought forward at 1 April 2010 Less rent paid by Sarah Hosking for personal use of the 25% of	12,636
33 The Square, owned by the charity	1,965
Balance carried forward at 31 March 2011	10,671
Accountants fee: Preparation of accounts and independent examination (year ended 31 March 2011)	900
Preparation of accounts and independent examination Cooper Adams (balance of year ended 31 March 2010)	405
	£ 11,976

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by :

Paul Edmondson 25 July 2011