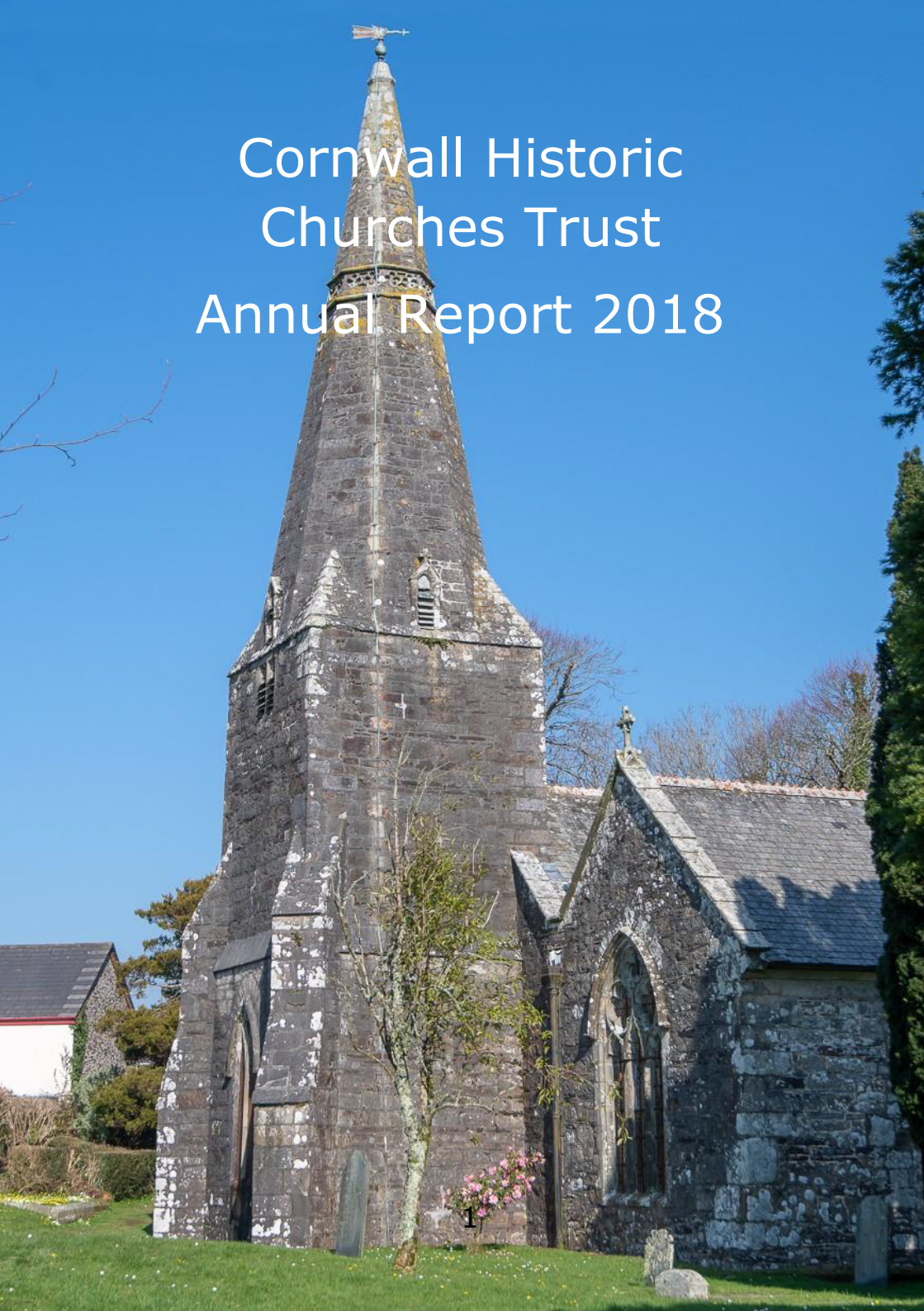


Cornwall Historic Churches Trust Annual Report 2018



CORNWALL HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2018

Together with the contributions from the National Churches Trust, the Duke of Cornwall's Benevolent Fund, the Cornwall Heritage Trust and the Tanner Trust, in 2018 the CHCT was able to make grants totalling in excess of £80,000 to 18 of our Cornish churches and places of worship. However this represents only 4% of the overall project spend which was just shy of £2 million, so there is no room for complacency and lots to do.

2018 was the last year for the partnership grants via the NCT. Cornwall has done particularly well from these grants over the years but sadly next year our total will be reduced by £20,000 because of this change; however we will help guide applicants to the new grant programmes offered by the NCT. Please see www.chct.info under the grants section.

Our fast track maintenance programme, funded by the Tanner Trust, was launched in 2018 and I hope will continue next year. This is funding for preventative works and we hope that by mirroring our application form to that of the NCT, grants can be applied for from both sources with minimal additional effort.

The summer lunch was held at Ince Castle; Viscount and Viscountess Boyd generously invited us back for the last time before they moved. Alice stepped down this year after 42 years of work for this charity; she has been an inspirational leader and wise head for all the years I have been involved and I am grateful to her for all she has taught me. We were delighted to have The Nare Hotel as our sponsors for this event, which was as popular as ever despite the weather.

Our Friends outing this year was to St Uny, Lelant and St Erth. I really recommend this event which usually takes place in early summer, at which we are fortunate to have a combination of speakers to give talks on the various features and history of particular churches. Tea is served afterwards and one leaves feeling a new depth of appreciation for the heritage around us.

At the Annual meeting this year held at St Gerrans church on the Roseland, Dr Stuart Blaylock spoke to us about 13th century architecture; notes from this talk can be found on the website www.chct.info under the Friends section. We are so grateful to Stuart and his fellow historians who generously give their time to further our understanding of the fine examples of ancient craftsmanship which is all here in the centre of our villages, if only we know what to look for. I was particularly thrilled that Dr Alex Woodcock who talked to us in 2017 returned specially to join our continuing chronological journey of church development here in Cornwall.

My thanks as always go to Dr Joanna Mattingly who not only helps tremendously in organising these talks but also knows who the best person is to lecture on specific periods.

I am delighted that HRH the Duke of Cornwall has graciously renewed his patronage of this charity; his interest in our work is so valued and his support through the Duke of Cornwall's Benevolent Fund is so appreciated. Four of our committee members were invited to his 70th Birthday garden party in May and had a memorable day at the Palace in the sunshine.

The income from Cornwall Churches Day (which has replaced Ride and Stride) has more than doubled the previous year's total and my thanks go to all those parishes who held an event during the year. Results can be seen on the website and contacts for all Deanery representatives are available here too. I cannot stress enough how important it is for all parishes to be involved, as the unexpected can and does happen: when suddenly faced with hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of repairs, help in the form of a grant from CHCT acts rather like an insurance policy as it can kick start the funding programme and point churches in the right direction for more help.

We are indebted once again to Elizabeth and Claire Fortescue, who invited us back to Boconnoc for this year's Christmas party; it was another sparkling evening which sent us all on our way in festive spirits as well as raising significant amounts for the charity. Again, our sincere thanks go to Savills for sponsoring this event and to their team for their invaluable help on the evening; our thanks also to Charles Francis for taking the lovely photographs and allowing us to use them here, and to Cornwall Today for featuring the party in their magazine.

I am grateful to Scott and Co for continuing to sponsor our website. In addition, Dolly Scott has gathered a group of sponsors whose work is often associated with the repairs and restoration of our Cornish churches; these companies are displayed on the website and we are pleased to have their support.

I would like to pay particular thanks to Philip de Grey-Warter who has seamlessly steered us to digitalised accounting, which I am told has simplified everything; also to Chrissie Hogg who has calmly and efficiently picked up the secretarial reins in a year when all sorts of additional work had to be done to keep up with GDPR.

During the year we were very pleased to strengthen the committee with the addition of Jeremy Sharp, who has been working with Simon Coy and is now handling all the grant applications. Christopher Harvey-Clark has also joined the main committee, having previously been one of our valued church visitors.

Sadly, Vanessa Leslie has stepped down from the main committee, but I am pleased that she remains with us on the Christmas Party subcommittee, to which we have also welcomed Kitty Galsworthy and Emma Thompson.

Finally, I would like to welcome all our new Friends, who I look forward to meeting at our various events over the year, and to thank all the committee members who work so hard for the charity. *Caroline Tetley*

70th Birthday of The Prince of Wales

To coincide with the 70th Birthday of The Prince of Wales, the CHCT was invited to a Reception at Buckingham Palace to celebrate the work of His Royal Highness's Patronages and Charities. Simon Coy, Philip Willoughby, Susie Gore and Dolly Scott were nominated to go and enjoyed a marvellous afternoon with perfect garden party weather and the most delicious tea. Along with the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall were the newly married Duke and Duchess of Sussex; a happy afternoon was had by all in the magnificent setting of the Palace gardens.



Committee members Dolly Scott, Simon Coy, Susie Gore, Philip Willoughby at the Garden Party [source unknown]

Centenary of the First World War

2018 marked the centenary of the end of the First World War. Just thirteen villages endured the two World Wars without a single life lost in combat, and one of these was Herodsfoot in Cornwall. Herodsfoot is a small pretty Cornish village, set at the meeting of four valleys whose streams join the West Looe river. The name comes from the old Cornish 'Hir-Garth' meaning long hill. John Betjeman described Herodsfoot as 'An inland Polperro in a deeply wooded valley. Slate cottages with uneven roofs'. As a doubly thankful village, the War Memorial commemorates 'those who served'.



Photo courtesy of National Churches Trust

Friends Annual Visit- St Uny, Lelant and St Erth

We were blessed again with a lovely day for our visit to St Uny and St Erth on Thursday 14th June. We had a warm welcome from John Culver and the Churchwardens Keith and Andy at St Uny. They kindly provided refreshments in their refurbished community room, previously the Methodist Chapel for the burial ground, now filled with local items of interest and frequented by both locals and tourists. Dr Joanna Mattingley gave a talk about the history of the Church following John's interesting

introduction. At our Annual Meeting in 2017 we began our architectural time line with the Romanesque period and at St Uny the Norman Arch was highlighted. There are significant links between St Uny and St Erth and Michael Swift, who specialises in stained glass, talked us through St Uny's interesting windows. We are fortunate to have such knowledgeable people in our membership who generously share their expertise.

We continued our afternoon at St Erth where we were welcomed by Janice the Churchwarden. Another fascinating church, sharing the same design for the South Porch as St Uny. There were two beautiful East windows giving special light within the Chancel. David Scott spoke to us about the Sedding restoration within the churches, highlighting key features indicating who would have carried out the Victorian Restorations. In the past the Altar had to be approached via a bridge as the Chancel floor had been under water, thankfully this is no longer the case! Jo Mattingley shared some of the Wills records and highlighted the local families and their past involvement with the church. Michael Swift also drew our attention to carvings done by the Pinwill sisters – many examples of their interesting work can be found in Devon and Cornwall.

For 2019 we are visiting churches at St Kew and St Mabyn. The formal part of the afternoon will begin at 2pm. There is a good pub close to the Church in St Kew for lunch before if desired. Please complete the enclosed slip and we will look forward to seeing as many members as possible for what should be a most interesting afternoon. *Dolly Scott*

FRIENDS OF CORNISH CHURCHES
THURSDAY 16TH JUNE 2019

Meet at St James the Great Church, St Kew at 2pm. Visit to St James the Great and St Mabyn Churches, followed by tea at St Mabyn.

See flier for more detail

Annual Lunch

Our Annual Lunch was generously sponsored this year by the Nare Hotel and was held on 11th May at Ince Castle thanks to the very kind invitation of Viscount and Viscountess Boyd. Our warmest thanks go to them for so generously hosting the party in this wonderful setting, which lent itself ideally to the occasion and also provided an opportunity for any who wished to explore and enjoy the beautiful garden at its best. The now legendary lunch produced by the committee and helpers more than lived up to its reputation and was much enjoyed by all. *Vanessa Leslie*



Viscount & Viscountess Boyd at Ince Castle
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Annual Meeting

We were warmly welcomed to St Gerrans on the Roseland by Revd Jill Edwards and treated to an inspiring talk by Dr Stuart Blaylock on 13th century architecture in Cornish churches. This is a period well known to be lean on complete examples in our region, but Stuart was able to piece together the progress from the Romanesque period through to the beginning of the Decorated period showing us what remains there are in several churches. He also illustrated how the church morphed in design from each of the bookend periods at either end of the 13th century. Gerrans proved to be an excellent example of what still survives with a triple lancet window in the 13th century north transept, and two single lancets in the north wall (now kitchen area). There is also a Purbeck marble font with arcade designs of probable 1200s date and a coffin-shaped tomb slab of the 13th or early 14th century.

Examples from outside of the county had to be drawn on but the very best example here in Cornwall of Early English architecture was three miles down the road at St Anthony in Roseland. The 2017 lunch had been held at Place House which is attached to this church and this was where Dr Jo Mattingly had pointed out the crucifix plan and high-quality

carvings of foliage, corbel heads of kings and bearded men adorning the crossing below the 13th Century Tower.

ANNUAL MEETING Monday 3rd June 2019

2.30 pm at St Michael, Penkevil Speaker will be Dr John Allan. Details on enclosed Flier

The Christmas Party 2018

The CHCT Christmas Party is undoubtedly one of the season's highlights, and deservedly so. The elegance of Boconnoc was echoed by the guests who once again turned up in party mood ensuring the great success of the evening. Deep gratitude goes to Elizabeth and Claire Fortescue who loaned the house for the party, and to the dedicated team of canapé ladies who year after year produce mouth-watering eats whilst enjoying a parallel party in the kitchen – each party is as much fun as the other!

A huge thank you goes to those who collected and donated prizes for the raffle and the hamper, also to Alexandra Bolitho for the stunning and most original wreaths, all of which add so successfully to the profits of the evening. And of course, it wouldn't even happen without the very generous and dedicated support of our sponsors, Savills, so a huge thank you from all of us goes to them. I am happy to report that a healthy sum in excess of £6,500 was raised at this year's party. *Caroline Fox*



Our hostess Mrs Anthony Fortescue and the winners of the raffle, David & Cecelia Bisson. photos by Charles Francis www.charlesfrancis.photos

CORNWALL HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST BUFFET LUNCH 2019

To be held on Friday 21st June at Caerhays Castle
by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Charles Williams
12.30 for 1 pm, invitation enclosed

Sponsorship

As well as generous donations from the Duke of Cornwall's Benevolent Trust, Cornwall Heritage Trust, the Tanner Trust and private donors, the CHCT benefits from the valuable support of various business for which we are most grateful. In addition to Savills, who kindly support the Christmas Party, we are delighted that The Nare Hotel sponsor the annual lunch and Scott and Company sponsor the website. Following the successful launch of the Corporate Sponsorship scheme last March, we now have a separate page on our website providing a direct link to various business. Our corporate sponsors are:

Heritage Cornwall Ltd
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We would welcome any new corporate sponsors or enquires to find out more about becoming one. Please contact Dolly Scott if this is something that would interest you. dollyscott@chct.info or 01566 786970

GRANTS MADE BY CHCT IN 2018

CHCT	Cornwall Historic Churches Trust
DOCBF	Duke of Cornwall's Benevolent Fund
CHT	Cornwall Heritage Trust
NCT	National Churches Trust

Church: Lanhydrock, St Hydroc **Denomination:** Church of England

Date of Grant: 23 March 2018 **Grant DOCBF:** £7,500 **Work:**

Replacement of two large leadwork roof valleys, repair of slate roofs, replacement of leaking guttering, making good water damage to interior

Church: Penzance, The Immaculate Conception of Our Lady

Denomination: Roman Catholic **Date of Grant:** 23 March 2018 **Grant**

CHCT: £1,500 **Grant DOCBF:** £5,000 **Total:** £6,500 **Work:** Repairs at crypt level to lintels and stone work, which support the church above, required to be done at the same time as separately funded facilities development work

Church: Perranporth Methodist Church **Denomination:** Methodist
Date of Grant: 23 March 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £1,300 **Work:** Removing cement mortar strap pointing from roadside face of church building and replacing with flush lime mortar



St Wenappa, Gwennap

Church: Gwennap, St Wenappa **Denomination:** Church of England
Date of Grant: 23 March 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £2,500 **Work:** Replastering of southwest internal wall

Church: Sheviock, St Mary's. **Denomination:** Church of England.
Date of Grant: 23 March 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £4,000 **Work:** 95% of the joints in the tower and spire were loose or hollow and both are now listed on the English Heritage At Risk register. There has been a fall of timber within the tower and signs of increasing water penetration resulting in an urgent need to remove the two bells. Works to include the installation of a safe means of access to the bells so they and the bell paraphernalia can be inspected, repaired and maintained in future. The nave's plaster ceiling was identified as Priority A in the 2013 Quinquennial Report and has subsequently been netted. The April 2017 Quinquennial inspection also recommended survey and repair to the roof bosses during the repairs to the plaster ceiling.

Church: Warbstow, St Werburgh's. **Denomination:** Church of England. **Date of Grant:** 23 March 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £2,500 **Work:** To remove and repair the vestry window and the central window on the north side of the church, both of which were in a very poor state.

Church: Warleggan, St Bartholomew's **Denomination:** Church of England. **Date of Grant:** 23 March 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £2,000 **Work:** The restoration of the tower and bell chamber including lifting the lead, the renewal of roof and floor timbers, the rebuilding and strengthening of parapets and the replacement of broken downpipes. Repointing the tower with lime mortar.

Church: Zion Community Church **Denomination:** Independent **Date of Grant:** 23 March 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £2,100 **Work:** Improvements to the fire safety of the building, improvements to the exterior of the building and updating of facilities to make them more family and disabled friendly.



Blisland church interior

Church: Blisland, St Protus and St Hyacinth **Denomination:** Church of England. **Date of Grant:** 25 June 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £2,000 **Work:** Replacement of beams in the vestry, replastering inside and repointing outside. Repairs to vestry door.

Church: St Ewe **Denomination:** Church of England.

Date of Grant: 25 June 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £3,500 **Grant NCT:** £10,000

Total: £13,500 **Work:** Urgent work to cure dampness in spire by removing cement-based mortar and re-pointing with lime. Address spire structural weakness resulting from bell frame main supports corroding.



Wall painting, St Just in Penwith

Church: St Just in Penwith **Denomination:** Church of England.

Date of Grant: 25 June 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £3,500 **Grant DOCBF:**

£10,000 **Total:** £13,500 **Work:** Re-roofing of church with Cornish slate, re-leading main valleys, repairs to ceilings, overhaul of rainwater goods, removal of unsafe and defective chimney, repointing.

Church: North Petherwin, St Patemus **Denomination:** Church of

England. **Date of Grant:** 25 June 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £500 **Work:**

Removal and refitting of corroded stone.

Church: Perranporth, St Michael's **Denomination:** Church of England.

Date of Grant: 25 June 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £1,000 **Work:** Upgrade of heating system and replacement with underfloor heating.

Church: Withiel, St Clement **Denomination:** Church of England.

Date of Grant: 09 Oct 2018. **Grant CHCT:** £1,000 **Work:** Maintenance

Church: Lelant, St Uny **Denomination:** Church of England.

Date of Grant: 09 October 2018. **Grant CHT:** £5,000 **Work:** Repairs to floor, which was unusable.

Church: Landulph, St Leonard & St Dilpe **Denomination:** Church of England. **Date of Grant:** 09 October 2018. **Grant CHCT:** £5,500

Work: Replacement of lead roof to tower, repairs to parapet, renewal of door to the access tower, replacement of rainwater goods on tower.



St Senara church, Zennor

Church: Zennor, St Senara **Denomination:** Church of England **Date of Grant:** 25 June 2018 **Grant CHCT:** £2,500 **Grant DOCBF:** £5,000

Total: £7,500 **Work:** Restoration of bell frame, bell fittings and wheels, retuning of bells

Church: Calstock, St Andrew **Denomination:** Church of England.

Date of Grant: 09 October 2018. **Grant DOCBF:** £2,500 **Work:** Bells

Church: Antony, St James the Great **Denomination:** Church of England.

Date of Grant: 09 October 2018. **Grant CHCT:** £1,500 **Work:** Repair of vandalised stained glass window.

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Front Cover: St Ewe church granted £3,500 by CHCT and £10,000 by NCT. Rear cover St Bartholomew's church Warleggan granted £2,000 by CHCT

**CORNWALL HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

	Restricted funds	Designated Capital Reserve	Unrestricted funds Designated Expendable Reserve	Income Fund	Total	2017
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	5,000	-	-	37,088	42,088	42,335
Friends of Cornish Churches subscriptions	-	-	-	12,084	12,084	8,821
Fund raising events	-	-	-	17,254	17,254	16,024
Investment income	-	-	-	16,375	16,375	11,215
<i>Total income</i>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,801</u>	<u>87,801</u>	<u>78,395</u>
Expenditure on:						
Cost of fund raising events	-	-	-	900	900	2,495
Grants approved less grants withdrawn	1,000	-	-	68,900	69,900	56,100
Investment management fee	-	-	-	2,353	2,353	2,547
Administration	759	-	-	4,597	5,356	4,338
<i>Total expenditure</i>	<u>1,759</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76,750</u>	<u>78,509</u>	<u>65,480</u>
Net income / (expenditure)	<u>3,241</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,051</u>	<u>9,292</u>	<u>12,915</u>
Transfers between funds	-	-	6,051	(6,051)	-	-
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	-	(8,010)	(8,010)	-	(16,020)	17,460
Net movement in funds	<u>3,241</u>	<u>(8,010)</u>	<u>(1,959)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,728)</u>	<u>30,375</u>
Fund balances b/fwd at 01/01/2018	3,257	186,772	78,299	-	268,328	237,953
Fund balances c/fwd at 31/12/2018	<u>6,498</u>	<u>178,762</u>	<u>76,340</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>261,600</u>	<u>268,328</u>

**CORNWALL HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018**

	2018 £	2017 £
Fixed Assets		
Investments (estimate based on 4 January 2019 valuation)	<u>269,856</u>	<u>287,184</u>
Current Assets		
Debtors	5,293	5,231
CBF Church of England deposit fund	30,000	40,000
Walker Crips capital account	586	1,695
Bank current account	<u>47,904</u>	<u>1,018</u>
	<u>83,783</u>	<u>47,944</u>
Current Liabilities		
Accruals	2,639	1,800
Grant creditors	<u>89,400</u>	<u>65,000</u>
	<u>92,039</u>	<u>66,800</u>
Net Current Assets / (Liabilities)	<u>(8,256)</u>	<u>(18,856)</u>
Net Assets	<u>261,600</u>	<u>268,328</u>
Unrestricted Funds		
Designated Capital Reserve	178,762	186,772
General fund	76,340	78,299
Restricted funds - Tanner Trust IT, communication, training	4,553	1,312
Restricted funds - Emergency funds	<u>1,945</u>	<u>1,945</u>
	<u>261,600</u>	<u>268,328</u>

The above figures are an extract from the financial statements which were approved by the trustees on 14 March 2019 and independently examined by Francis Clark LLP, Chartered Accountants.

A copy of the full annual report and the financial statements will be submitted to the Charity Commission and may be obtained on request from the Trust.

