



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Hampshire Archives Trust will be held at Hampshire Record Office on 22nd October 2022 at 2.00pm

Please book to attend or give your apologies by completing booking form and posting to above address or by e mail to secretary.

If you cannot attend but wish to vote then a voting paper is included with these papers, please return either by e mail to the secretary (secretary@hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk) or by post to the address above to be received by 15 October

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes of the meeting of 23 October 2021
4. Matters arising
5. Chairman's Annual report and Annual Return, **2021-22** presented by HAT Chairman David Livermore, with Treasurer David Canniford commenting on accounts. The annual return includes an account of activities and finances during the year. Members will be asked to approve the annual return and its subsequent submission to the Charity Commission. A summary of the return is with these papers, a hard copy of the full return can be obtained from the secretary on request or at the AGM, and can also be found on HAT's website. An electronic copy is also available on request.
6. Elections; Members are asked to agree appointment for 4 year terms as trustee, president and vice presidents.
Any further nominations for any of the above roles, proposed and seconded and with the consent of the person nominated, should be sent in writing to the Secretary by post or by e mail. The nomination form is to be found at the end of these papers.
7. Appointment of Independent Examiner: Martin & Co
8. Grants – the Trust has awarded a number of grants since the last AGM which are outlined in this report
9. Any other business
10. Vote of thanks

Tea

Sarah Lewin, Information and Archives Manager, will give an illustrated talk about the importance of HAT funded projects at Hampshire Record Office: highlighting the entertaining, informative and sometimes just plain unexpected stories that emerge



HAMPSHIRE ARCHIVES TRUST

Minutes of the 35th Annual General Meeting of Hampshire Archives Trust held on Saturday 23 October 2021 at 2.00pm at the MUSA hall, Winchester College

The meeting was attended by the Trust's Chairman, David Livermore, and 36 other members.

1. **Welcome.** The Chair was taken by the Trust's Chairman, David Livermore, who welcomed members to the meeting and thanked Winchester College for allowing the Trust to use the MUSA hall and Suzanne Foster for agreeing to give members tours of the College's historic archives and Treasury after the meeting.
2. **Apologies** for absence were received from Nigel Atkinson, Charlotte Bailey, John and Christine Burke, Cheryl Butler Michael Campbell, Neville Cullingford, Lady Georgina Craufurd and Sir Robin Crauford, Rosemary Dunhill, Lady Mary Fagan, Jude Feeney, Sarah Lewin, David Lloyd, Roger Ottewill, David Rymill, David Spurling, and Stephen and Anita Wood. Two voting papers were received prior to the meeting from Judy Bevis and Lesley Ann Hatt who recorded their agreement to the votes to be cast.
3. **The Minutes** of the meeting of 24th October 2020 were confirmed
4. **Matters arising.** There were no issues raised.
5. **The Chairman's Annual Report and Annual Return, 2020-21.**

It was noted due to changed arrangements at the Charity Commission one document including both the annual report and the statement of accounts were together presented as the annual return and would be submitted to them as one document

HAT Chairman, David Livermore, was pleased to present the Chairman's Report and the Annual Report which included the Accounts for 2020-21, for the 35th Annual General Meeting of Hampshire Archives Trust:

- The work of conserving and preserving historic documents has surely never been more important than it is today. Every generation looks at the past through a revisionist lens, and rightly so. However, the current attempts of a vociferous minority to rewrite history, together with the so-called 'cancel culture' seems to signal a new departure into practices hitherto the province of totalitarian states. Our responsibility is to defend historical accuracy and to preserve objectivity to the best of our ability.
- The year 2020-21 saw the use of Zoom for our Board and committee meetings, as well as general business discussions and, indeed, interviews of new trustees.
- Due to the restrictions imposed by the pandemic, we were unable to provide our usual programme of visits to places of interest in Hampshire. However, we have held several webinars including two talks by Dr Cheryl Butler on God's House in Southampton and Black history in the city, and a talk by Rosemary Dunhill on Hampshire's Quakers. We were also delighted to jointly host several talks with the Hampshire Field Club, which were all recorded and are available on YouTube. We are confident that 2022 will see a return of an exciting events programme, but we also intend to continue with the lecture series, which has proved so successful.
- Over the last three years, we have developed a comprehensive website, which attracted 35,300 visits last year. We have now added a calendar facility to the website, which we hope will be used not only for HAT activities but also by other history societies in Hampshire. We have now started the next phase of our website development in order to improve the ease of access for users and to enable users themselves to post new items onto the system.
- To increase our reach to a wider (and younger) audience, we initiated a 6 months' trial with social media. We have been encouraged by the result of this experiment and will now continue the programme as a key part of our communication strategy. All of this in addition to the quality newsletters produced by David Rymill, which have now been augmented by e-newsletters between the editions.
- Our grants programme continues to be our fundamental means of both encouraging and financially supporting historical research in Hampshire. This year was no exception and grants amounted to £110,457. However, this figure includes £73,326 for a new scanner for WFSa, which HAT has reserved to fund for the last nine years. The remaining £37,131 of grants fell within our annual cap of £40,000 and include a gratifying mixture of traditional projects with more contemporary and inclusive projects. For example, we gave £10,000 to Petersfield Museum to preserve a priceless collection of photographic negatives, £2,980 for 'Making History' about early amateur filming, £500 for the Westgate Tower Exhibition, illustrating the role that Southampton played in the story of the Mayflower, and £8,800 to the Hampshire Records Office for cataloguing New Forest records. At the same time, we awarded £500 to Skate Southampton for the digitalisation of 1980 skateboarding negatives and £8,500 for a publication on Black History in Southampton.
- As of 31st March 2021, our fund balance stood at £229,000, of which £96,054 was unrestricted.

The Chairman then called on the Treasurer, David Canniford, to present his report on the finances:

Income:

- There has been a reduction in donations, which is most likely due the Covid lockdown. David Canniford made a plea for donations to the Trust.

- Dividend income fell, reflecting market forces and the performance of investments. However, this has now recovered somewhat as has the value of the portfolio. The value is almost back to previous levels, with some investments recovering above the level pre-lockdown.
- The amount from Members' subscriptions has increased as expected due to the uplift in members' fees
- There were no members' events in the year and so no income from them this year. Other income, which in previous years was the recharge to Highclere Castle for archives work, has ceased - the agreement has reverted to Hampshire County Council. Under the agreement, HCC were invoicing HAT who were then charging the Highclere Estate. This was unsatisfactory in that HCC charged HAT inclusive of VAT which, due to the contract, could not be passed on to Highclere. In 2020, HAT was charged £8,609 but only recharged £7,234 – a loss of £1,375. The contract has now ended.

Expenditure:

- Marketing costs included expenditure on social media – a new element of costs. ♣ Administration costs were reduced due to administration being brought inhouse rather than paying Hampshire Records Office/Hampshire County Council to undertake postage, copying, etc.
- Grants payable include the £78,677 to WFSA for the film scanner funds, which had been held by HAT for a number of years (originally given by BFI).

Funds:

- The net reduction in funds over the year was £79,794.
- Income almost covers expenses and running costs (just approximately £1,000 short). Grants are being funded from the reserves. However, this should hopefully be better next year with events and increased subscriptions.

The Chairman thanked the Treasurer for his report and asked if there were any questions for the Treasurer. There were no questions from members.

The Chairman then continued with his report:

- In summary, the Trust has had a satisfactory year or steady progress despite the challenges presented by the pandemic, and we look forward to an even more satisfactory performance in 2021-22.
- I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the members of the Board. In particular, I would like to thank David Spurling for his contribution to the launch of our website, Barry Shurlock for his immense creativity and many articles on subjects of historical interest, Dr Cheryl Butler both for her own talks and for her management of the social media programme, Charlotte Bailey who manages the membership, and, of course, to our Secretary, Sue Woolgar, who unquestionably holds the whole charity together!

Attendees were asked by the Chairman to approve and agreed unanimously with all hands raised.

6. Election of Trustees.

Members were asked to agree to the 4-year appointment of two new co-opted trustees:

Andrew Burcher and Alistair Dougall. Attendees agreed unanimously with all hands raised.

The Chairman announced that Zoe Seenan had stepped down as a Trustee due to work commitments. The Chairman asked for a Vote of Thanks in appreciation of all of Zoe's past work. Attendees supported the Vote of Thanks unanimously with all hands raised.

The Chairman informed the meeting that John Isherwood had offered himself for re-election as a Vice-President, and gave a brief outline of John's knowledge and skill that he brings to the Trust. The meeting approved John's re-election unanimously with all hands raised.

The Chairman informed the meeting that Felicity Hindson did not wish to stand again as a Vice-President and thanked her for all her work and support.

There were no further nominations for Trustees.

7. Appointment of Independent Examiner:

Martin & Co were recommended to continue as auditors.

The Chairman asked the attendees to approve this appointment and it was unanimously agreed with all hands raised.

8. Grants.

Sue Woolgar, Secretary to the Trust, presented an update on the grants awarded since the last AGM. A summary of the grants had been included in the day's papers which reported on each project and gave details of progress. Sue added: there is a change at 2.5 this should read Don Bridle and at 3.2 the sum is £1557 (the £1711 less a contingency which HAT does not award)

- We launched the grants programme as a concerted programme in October 2018.
- We have awarded 32 separate grants to local history groups and organisations and have awarded £178,000 in grants – money we have not been able to replace but which has been of considerable public benefit. A lot of projects would simply not have been able to happen without HAT support.
- Some grants awarded last year have yet to come to fruition because of the pandemic, but they should hopefully do so in the coming year.
- Not everyone who applies for a grant is awarded one or is awarded the amount that they applied for.
- An attendee at the meeting then asked if there was a feedback system and a way of ensuring that grants awarded were being spent appropriately. In answer to the question, Sue explained that, when a grant is awarded, recipients are required to report back on whether and how their grant has been used. There are clear terms and conditions that need to be adhered to. Any grant over £500 is very closely monitored. We report on the website and in the newsletter when a project is completed. Sue said that members are welcome to contact her if they want to know how a particular project is progressing.

- The Chairman, David Livermore, also assured the meeting that grants are monitored to ensure that they have been used in accordance with the request. He said that we have had fewer applications this year than we would have liked but that this is probably simply down to the fact that, due to the pandemic, people have not been meeting over the past year as they would have been normally. He made a plea to members to spread the word about HAT's grants programme.

Sue then explained that videos would be shown during Tea for members to learn more about the recent launch of the book *Telling Other Histories, Early Black History in Southampton c.1500-1900*, which had benefited from HAT funding.

She then called on Trish Simpson Davis from Bishops Waltham Area Local History Group to address the meeting. Trish Simpson Davis then gave a very stimulating and uplifting talk on how Bishops Waltham Oral History Group had used HAT funding to finance equipment needed to record and preserve interviews for its oral history project. She updated the meeting on the successful progress and expansion in its history project. She thanked HAT for its grant and support. Her talk was appreciated greatly by all those at the meeting.

9. Any Other Business

-Michael Woodhall said that he and Barry Shurlock had produced a list of 130-140 historical societies active in Hampshire. The list has now been updated and HAT wants to help societies to develop and to encourage them to curate documents and other archives in their communities.

-Barry Shurlock said that a card had been designed to promote HAT but that, due to the pandemic, it had not been possible yet to distribute the card. He had a box of cards with him at the meeting and encouraged attendees to take some to distribute to local libraries, etc.

-Barry also told the meeting that videos on various subjects/talks were available on the Hampshire Field Club website (the next talk in the series would be on Tuesday 26th October)

10. Vote of thanks.

The Chairman gave a vote of thanks to all who had organised and presented at the AGM, with particular thanks to Sue Chopping and Dick Treglown for all their work in organising the event.

The meeting ended at 3.05pm

Present

David Livermore, David Canniford, Sue Woolgar, Alistair Dougall, Karon Anderson, Hugh Bethell, Lesley Bethell, Sue Chopping, Sue Deciccio, Alison Deveson, Julie Dypdal, Mary Harris, Michael Harris, Graham Hull, Janet Hurrell, Tony Hurrell, Anne Isherwood, John Isherwood, Sue Lane, Jill Lee, Graham Mist, Rosemary Mist, Lindsay Morgan, Louis Murray, Jane Painter, Geoff Phillpots, David Roberts, Stan Roberts, Gill Rushton, Barry Shurlock, Trish Simpson-Davis, Anne Thick, Gordon Thick, Dick Treglown, Elizabeth Wicks, Michael Woolgar, Chris Woolgar (27)

ITEM 5 Chairman's Annual report and Annual Return, 2021-22

HAMPSHIRE ARCHIVES TRUST TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

There has been a great emphasis over the last 3-4 years to reshaping the Trust to ensure it is better equipped to fulfil its objectives and deliver public benefit. This, together with sustaining an efficient and effective trust, will be a constant

objective and work in 2021-2022 has included:

- a selection process to appoint a website provider when the existing contract ended May 2021
- co-opting in May 2021 2 new trustees with needed skills, with subsequent confirmation and election at the October

AGM

- extending the agreement with our current social media provider which ended March 2022
- appointing our own dedicated social media research fellow to be paid by stipend (who will run all social media for HAT) - in place 1 February 2022
- agreeing a communications strategy, the website being at the forefront
- agreeing to re-brand (including a new logo) and replace the existing website with a more vibrant and accessible

version, one which will allow Trustees to input material themselves - project late March 2022. To be followed by a soft launch in 2022

- agreeing a project to encourage younger members based around a local history competition - due to launch late Spring 2022 and award prizes Spring 2023

On line talks

HAT took part in Local and Community History month co-ordinated by British Association for local history by running

2 on line talks in May 2021. On 11 May Prof Chris Woolgar spoke about Southampton's people and their possessions

1250-1500 and on 18 May David Livermore spoke about the history of Fairey Aviation.

The following online series of talks called "Hands on History 2021" were run with Hampshire Field Club:

-27 April 2021 the VCH way parish histories speaker Jean Morrin

-25 May 2021 Today's history for tomorrow - keeping modern records speaker Roger Palmer

-29 June 2021 Making local history films speaker Tom Young

-28 September 2021 Digital publishing Part one From research to page

Speakers Heather Needham, setting the scene

Sam Butcher, HCT Researching and using still images

Martin Coppen From text and pictures to page

As recording only live edit masterclass

-26 October 2021 Digital Publishing Part two 26 October from page to product

Speakers Roger Ottewill Moving on from conventional print

John Owen Smith Publishing on demand from digital files

Zoe Viney Film and Sound a local history treasure

-30 November 2021- researching newspapers for local history speaker Nick Saunders

Each talk attracted c.40-50 participants, with one reaching 99

Newsletters

Every member gets the 2 printed newsletters and members who have given their email contacts receive a further 2

electronic e-chat newsletters.

Publicity

HAT has had some 45 articles accepted for publication by local press including local history articles, and about grants

awarded

Grants programme

There were 7 Grants awarded in 2021 to 2022 together amounting to £18,306

July 2021 Trustees agreed the following awards for a diverse range of projects;

- £3500 to Ropley History network and archives for the publication of a book about Four Marks enclosures by Chris

Heal (this was published October 2021 as Ropley's legacy)

- £1557 to Bishops Waltham Area Local History Group to purchase of additional equipment to support enlargement of

group using volunteers and ensure professional oral history standards

- £7249 to a project called FWordz collecting oral history from from diverse ethnic background looking at their

experience of discrimination and so on. The material collection would inform a series of performances. The project was conceived by Sam Gilroy who had already secured the majority of the funding needed from the Arts Council.

- A small grant of £500 to Steep History Group to publish a social history booklet on the people, families and building of Steep

- £300 to Hampshire Archives for the purchase of a document at auction Russell account book and will 1799 (of

Goldings Basingstoke)

- £3700 to Hampshire archives for a project called Back to nature -exploring Hants natural heritage

through archives

- £1500 awarded to Milford on Sea Historical Record Society for their project 'Local History Lives' This project is also

supported by NHLF. Its aim is to make it easy to find research and source material on Milford On Sea on their

website-through articles, name directories and parish registers- when they want and in a way sympathetic to their needs for example in formats suitable for those with visual impairment or who have difficulty travelling.

Of these and grants previously awarded there continues to be some delay but many continue on course.

A table listing

grants awarded since 2019 together with their status is available on request

Events - there was a tentative return to face to face events with a

- walking tour of Crawley 18 July

- AGM at Winchester College 23 October

Volunteer input has been much restricted due to covid, although all the online talks have been provided by volunteers

All trustees have signed a declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit) on becoming a Trustee, so Alistair Dougall and Andrew Burcher did so April 2021 when co-opted, and all other trustees did so July 2020 (Martins advise only new Trustees or when declaration changed by CC need to be re-sworn. HAT will ensure re-elected Trustees sign again at their appointment).

The Trust offers continued support for Hampshire's archives services (especially as a key stakeholder of HRO) both in

general and as grant awarding body

The Trust continues support of archive preservation through accessions offered by members to repositories and through its grant programmes

The Trust supports VCH activity - opening up the county's archives; volunteer engagement with research; publishing;

fundraising; etc

The Trust offers other volunteer opportunities for example in the preparation and mailing out of its newsletter, videoing for its new social media venture and online talks.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

31.3.22

31.3.21

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies		1,386	-	-	1,386	1,443
Charitable activities	5	7,527	-	-	7,527	6,219
Archive history		98	-	-	98	-
Other trading activities	3					
Investment income	4		3,047	2,220	-	5,267
			4,019			
Total		12,058	2,220	-	14,278	11,681
EXPENDITURE ON						
Raising funds		520	-	-	520	216
Charitable activities	6					
Archive history	37,667			-	-	37,667
				123,809		
Total		38,187	-	-	38,187	124,025
Net gains on investments		8,147	5,949	-	14,096	32,550

NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(17,982)	8,169	-	(9,813)	(79,794)
Transfers between funds	17	3,894	(3,894)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(14,088)	4,275	-	(9,813)	(79,794)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		96,054	108,697	25,000	229,751	309,545
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		81,966	112,972	25,000	219,938	229,751

BALANCE SHEET 31 MARCH 2022

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment fund	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					31.3.22	31.3.21
Tangible assets	12	8,518	-	-	8,518	7,204
Investments	13	49,132	77,219	25,000	151,351	137,255
		57,650	77,219	25,000	159,869	144,459
CURRENT ASSETS						
Stocks	14	1,672	-	-	1,672	1,751
Debtors	15	-	-	-	-	4,295
Cash at bank		36,138	35,753	-	71,891	119,360
CREDITORS		37,810	35,753	-	73,563	125,406
Amounts falling due within one year	16	(13,494)	-	-	(13,494)	(40,114)
NET CURRENT ASSETS						
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		81,966	112,972	25,000	219,938	229,751
NET ASSETS FUNDS	17		112,972		219,938	229,751
Unrestricted funds					81,966	96,054
Restricted funds					112,972	108,697
Endowment funds					25,000	25,000
TOTAL FUNDS					219,938	229,751

ITEM 6 Elections & re-elections

Hampshire Archives Trust; Annual General Meeting

Item 6

22 October 2022

Election and Re-elections

Report author: Sue Woolgar, Secretary

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The term of office is 4 years and our President, all but one of our President and Vice Presidents complete their term of office at this AGM. All have significant responsibilities for archives in the county and so their involvement in the Trust is valued.
- 1.2 Two Trustees complete their term of office at the AGM, one has decided to retire and the other has agreed to re-stand
- 1.3 All those standing for re-election have a biography on the HAT website see <https://hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk/about-hampshire-archives-trust> under Our People. The following nominations have been proposed and seconded by HAT's chairman and secretary

2 Re-election of President

- 2.1 Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire, Nigel Atkinson was elected as HAT President in 2014 following the retirement of Lady Fagan. For more information follow link at 1.3

3. Election and re-election of Vice Presidents

- 3.1 Current Vice- Presidents (also known as Patrons) have agreed to stand for re-election: Earl of Carnarvon, Earl of Malmesbury and Lady Mary Fagan
- 3.2 The Rt. Revd Tim Dakin and Rt Revd Christopher Foster have retired as Bishop of Winchester and Bishop of Portsmouth respectively, and their term of office as vice-presidents end at this AGM. It is proposed the meeting gives them a vote of thanks for their support
- 3.3 Rt Revd Debbin Sellin (Acting Bishop of Winchester) and Rt Revd Dr Jonathan Frost (Bishop of Portsmouth) together have responsibility for most of the Anglican Church records in Hampshire. They have both agree to stand for election, for a brief biography of both see the end of this report

4. Re-election of Trustee

- 4.1 Trustee Michael Woodhall has agreed to re-stand and see link at 1.3 for more information about him
- 4.2 Trustee Dick Treglown has decided to retire as a Trustee but will continue to organize visits as part of the events team. It is proposed the meeting give a vote of thanks for his support

5 Recommendation

It is recommended that the Annual General Meeting approve the above election and re-election



The Rt Revd Dr Jonathan Frost, Bishop of Portsmouth since January 2022. Jonathan took up this post having previously being Dean of York and Suffragan Bishop of Southampton in the Diocese of Winchester for 9 years. Jonathan was ordained priest in 1994 serving his curacy in Nottingham. In 2002 he became chaplain to the University of Surrey in Guildford and a Residentiary Canon at the Guildford Cathedral. Jonathan is married to Christine and three adult children. He is lifelong Fulham fan.



The Rt Revd Debbie Selin, Acting Bishop of Winchester. Debbie became Bishop of Southampton in July 2019 and supports clergy in Southampton, Eastleigh, Romsey, Christchurch, the New Forest, and Bournemouth. She studied languages at university and then worked in NHS Managements before being ordained in Guildford. Debbie is married to Paul and they have two adult sons.

Hampshire Archives Trust; Annual General Meeting

Item 7

22 October 2022

Appointment of Independent Examiner

Report author: David Canniford, Treasurer and Trustee

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The appointment of independent examiner or auditor of HAT's accounts is brought to the AGM each year for approval
- 1.2 Martin and Co of Winchester have served in this capacity for HAT for four years

2 The Independent Examiner

- 2.1 The firm of accountants Martin and Co have considerable knowledge and experience of Charity accounts. They have been approached and agreed to continue to serve in this capacity

3 Recommendation

It is recommended that the Annual General Meeting approve

- 3.1 The appointment of Martin and Co accountants as independent examiner

22 October 2022

Report on Grants 2021-22

For information

4. Report author: Sue Woolgar, Secretary to the Trust

1 Introduction

The Trust continues to make a significant contribution to Hampshire archives through its support of archive based projects through its grant programme, and in doing so brings real public benefit. The grants programme was launched at the 2018 Annual General meeting. The annual return, news items on the website and in the newsletter together have brought members up to date with the progress made in 2021-22. This report concentrates on the grants awarded since the last AGM, that is, from November 2021 to September 2022.

The last couple of years have been difficult for projects with the restrictions on social distancing and so on due to Covid. However all have worked through the difficulties and most have now completed their projects

Each July the Board of Trustees considers its financial situation and decided the maximum level of awards it can make in the financial year. Last year 2021-22 a level of £40,000 was agreed. However we can only consider awards when application are made! From those received 2021-22 £18,806 was awarded

Between Nov 2021 and Sept 2022 8 grants have been awarded amounting to £22,380. Sometimes HAT is the sole funder but often our funding tops up or helps secure other funding (for example National Heritage Lottery Fund)

2 Descriptions of grants awards Nov 2021-September 2022

£300 for purchase at auction of Russell account book and will 1790 for estate based on Goldings at Basingstoke. This book is now at the Hampshire Record Office see HAT website for details <https://hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk/news/hampshire-archives-trust-grants/hampshire-volume-saved-and-kept-in-hampshire>

£1500 awarded to Milford on Sea Historical Record Series for their project Local History Lives. This project will digitise the mass of material they have gathered over their own 100 years as a society. This far-sighted and ambitious project looks to make research material widely available and in a form that suits the needs of users. See HAT website for details <https://hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk/news/hampshire-archives-trust-grants/grants-access-to-archives/local-history-lives-and-moves-into-the-digital-world>

Cataloguing is often pushed by the list of priorities when Archives organisation face pressing demands, but without this work collection sit unseen by researchers. HAT was pleased to receive an application for £3700 from Hampshire Record Office for a cataloguing project based on cataloguing and identifying archives which explore the natural heritage of Hampshire, the full amount was awarded see <https://hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk/news/hampshire-archives-trust-grants/grants-saving-archives/natural-history-heritage>

Some may remember the Victorian author Charlotte Yonge, in the view of a society celebrating her role and work not enough do. On the occasion of the bicentenary of her birth a commemorative programme, including a booklet, 'Rediscovering Hampshire's Overlooked author, Charlotte Mary Yonge (1823-1901)'. Charlotte Yonge was a significant figure in Victorian life and letters who is largely unknown today. HAT awarded £1680 towards this project. It is intended awareness of her life and context will increase understanding of the Victorian age, especially in Hampshire. Hampshire Archives and Local Studies provide a wealth of information about her life in Hursley and Otterbourne which is not immediately obvious to the casual visitor or user of the catalogue, but which will feature in the booklet. <https://hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk/news/hampshire-archives-trust-grants/grant-towards-a-commemorative-programme-on-the-bicentenary-of-the-birth-of-charlotte-mary-yonge>

The Gosport Society was awarded £500 to support the publication of 'Conservation and Heritage in Gosport' which will be the printed outcome of Project 18 about the Gosport Heritage Action Zone - part of a programme of 21 of such zones by Historic England. See <https://gosporthaz.org.uk/> for more information. This is a government-funded programme which seeks to unlock the potential of historic areas such as Gosport, creating economic growth and improving quality of life.

New Forest Heritage Trust has been awarded £10,000 towards their project 'For the Common good; conserving the Crosthwaite Eyre collection'. This project will make the archives of the Crosthwaite Eyre family of the 'Warrens', an estate in the New Forest village of Bramshaw, publicly available through a programme of conservation and repackaging to enable access to the public now, while ensuring its preservation for future users. This extensive collection includes estate records, property deeds, agreements, indentures, cashbooks, manuscript and typed correspondence, and photographs, spanning the 18th to the 20th centuries. The donor of the archive is Oliver Crosthwaite Eyre, former Official Verderer (chairperson of the Verderers, the judicial officers of a royal forest), and former chairperson of the New Forest National Park Authority. This is phase 1 and is expected to complete summer 2023, the New Forest Heritage Trust then aim to raise funds to catalogue the entire collection.

<https://hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk/news/hampshire-archives-trust-grants/grant-to- conserve-crosthwaite-eyre-collection>

Continuing the theme of making material readily available a grant of £4200 has been awarded to digitise 4 back volumes of Winchester Studies, these volumes will then be available free of charge from Archaeopress. It is the intention that all back copies will be made available in this way. <https://hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk/news/hampshire-archives-trust-grants/grant-to-digitise-winchester-studies-volumes>

Fordingbridge Historical Society was awarded £500 to support its publication of 'A place of last resort; the history of the Fordingbridge Workhouse'. The book will look at the workhouses's role in the history of the town and surrounding district from the C17th to the present day. It looks to publish before Christmas.

<https://hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk/news/hampshire-archives-trust-grants/grant-for-publication-about-fordingbridge-workhouse>

3 Recommendation

It is recommended that Members note the progress of the grant programme, and urges Members to mention the programme to those who have a good project based on archives but are looking for funding to bring it to fruition

VOTING & NOMINATION PAPERS FOR MEMBERS OF HAMPSHIRE ARCHIVES

AGM 22 October 2022 at 2.00PM

You can vote EITHER at the meeting

OR using this form which must be returned to the Secretary by post by 18 October 2022 c/o HRO, Sussex Street, Winchester SO23 8TH marked *AGM Voting Papers* or by e mail to Sue Woolgar secretary@hampshirearchivestrust.co.uk

You may only **vote once** and must be a paid up member to do so, which is why we ask you to give your name below so we can check our records

The following are the decisions that we ask you to vote on – papers have been sent to you

for all of these decisions

item 3 Minutes from 2021 – I agree the minutes

item 5 Annual return Treasurers report, I agree the accounts and return to be made to Charity Commission

item 6 I approve the election of trustees, President and Vice Presidents as laid out in the agenda – I understand other nominations may be presented at the AGM

item 7 I approve the appointment of Martin & Co as independent examiner/auditor

My name is and I confirm I am a fully paid up member of HAT (please put your name in capital letters) and sign and date here

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NOMINATION PAPER for Item 6

I nominate the following person for election to the Board of Trustees for an initial term of 4 years at the Hampshire Archives Trust AGM on 24 October 2020

Nominee.....

Signed.....

Date.....

I second the nomination of the following person for election to the Board of Trustees for an initial term of 4 years at the Hampshire Archives Trust AGM on 24 October 2020

Signed.....

Date.....

I consent to my name being put forward as Trustee for election to the Board of Trustees for an initial term of 4 years at the Hampshire Archives Trust AGM on 23 October 2021....

Or have e mailed my consent or written with my consent

I confirm that I am a member of Hampshire Archives Trust

Signed.....

Date.....