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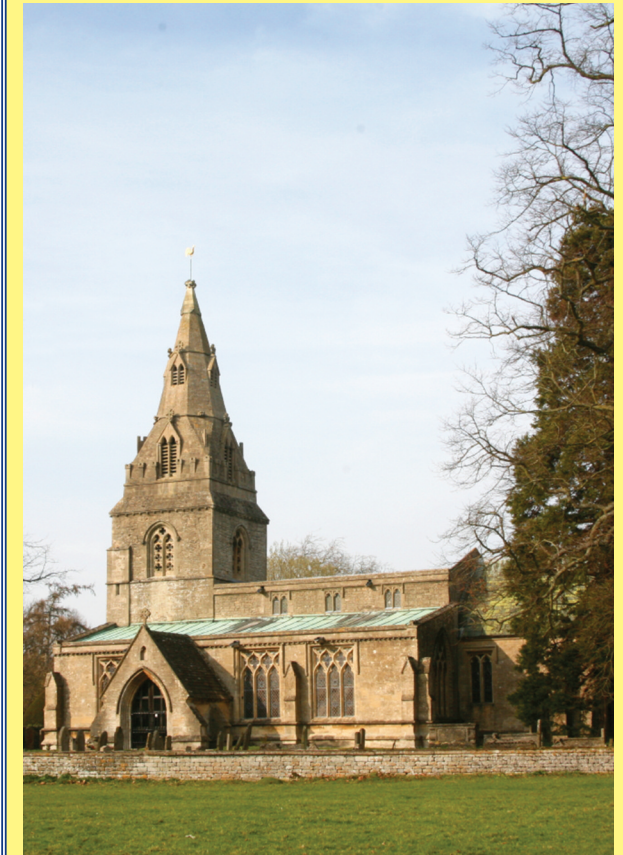
RUTLAND HISTORIC CHURCHES PRESERVATION TRUST						
RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2014						
	2013 - 2014			2012 - 2013		
	£		£	£		£
<b>OPENING CASH BALANCE</b>			<b>48,311</b>			<b>167,614</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>						
Ride and Stride	16,480			24		
less payments to churches	-8,172			-231		
less administration	-346			-97		
Ride and Stride Surplus	7,962			-304		
Donations (including Gift Aid)	865			1,029		
Interest and Dividends	10,251			8,588		
Other	524	<b>19,602</b>		453	<b>9,766</b>	
<b>PAYMENTS</b>						
Grants	24,000			27,985		
Administration	761	<b>24,761</b>		584	<b>28,569</b>	
<b>DEFICIT on ordinary activities</b>			<b>-5,159</b>			<b>-18,803</b>
Legacy			<b>20,000</b>			<b>38,500</b>
<b>MOVEMENT of INVESTMENTS</b>						
Investments matured		158,295		135,000		
Investments opened		-173,000	<b>-14,705</b>	-274,000	<b>-139,000</b>	
<b>CLOSING CASH BALANCE</b>			<b>48,447</b>			<b>48,311</b>
<b>STATEMENT OF ASSETS and LIABILITIES at MARCH 31st 2014</b>						
<b>ASSETS</b>						
BANK BALANCES						
Barclay's current account		26,128		8,146		
COIF deposit account		22,319	<b>48,447</b>	40,165	<b>48,311</b>	
INVESTMENTS						
Equity based (market value)		155,064		80,740		
Fixed term bonds		304,000	<b>459,064</b>	354,644	<b>435,384</b>	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>507,511</b>			<b>483,695</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Grants committed			<b>26,000</b>			<b>20,500</b>
<b>TOTAL NET FUNDS</b>			<b>481,511</b>			<b>463,195</b>

# Rutland Historic Churches Preservation Trust

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# Annual Report 2013/14



Richard Adams

St. Mary's Church, Clipsham

**Trust Members**  
**showing parishes of churches for**  
**which they have**  
**Special Responsibility**

**Mr R J A Adams**

Braunston, Brooke, Egleton, Hambleton,  
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North Luffenham, South Luffenham,  
Tinwell, Tixover

**Mrs S Wilson**

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Whissendine

**Mr A J Griffin**

Bisbrooke, Caldecott, Glaston, Lyddington,  
Morcott, Seaton, Stoke Dry and  
Uppingham Methodist Church and  
Uppingham School Chapel

**Annual Report for 2013/14**

**Rutland Historic Churches Preservation Trust** exists to provide financial assistance to the 63 churches and chapels within the County of Rutland, whenever they may need help for conservation and maintenance. All of these places of worship, fine buildings, have been inherited by our generation to use and to care for, and to pass on, diligently preserved, as we have received them.

Our new income for this year has come from kind and generous donations from the following Rutland Parochial Church Councils: Belton & Wardley, Hambleton, Morcott, Pickworth, Pilton, Preston, Stoke Dry, Tixover and Whissendine to all of whom we acknowledge our sincere thanks.

The Finance Sub-Committee continues to keep our investments closely under review. In response to the continuing climate of very low interest rates for cash investments the trustees are cautiously developing a policy of increasing the proportion of our investments which are held in the COIF range of recommended equity funds suitable for Charities, where we anticipate that such funds can remain in investment for the medium term. The trustees have prepared an information leaflet on the subject of Legacy Giving, a copy of which is included with this Annual Report.

On Saturday 14th September 2013 the Sponsored Ride and Stride around the churches and chapels of Rutland was very well supported on a fine day, and raised in total £16,480 Half of this sum was returned to the individual Rutland churches nominated by the participants and half was added to RHCPT Funds for the future support of all Rutland Churches. Hanson Cement arranged all the printing with significant cost saving to the Trust. Barnsdale Lodge Hotel and Rutland Cycling also assisted with publicity and the provision of vouchers for the best walking and cycling team endeavour. A presentation evening was hosted by Barnsdale Lodge Hotel, attended by The Lord Lieutenant of Rutland. The Davenport Cup was presented to Ian Curtis of Langham who visited 51 churches, an award for the best team performance went to the Case family of Hambleton and Mike and Sue Blee received an award for their achievement of walking to 25 churches.

This meeting also marked the retirement from the Ride & Stride sub-Committee of Mr Richard Adams, who had led the R&S organisation for the past 15 years. The Trustees wish to acknowledge the debt of gratitude owed to Richard, who will continue to serve as a trustee of RHCPT, for his leadership and the success of his team's work over these past years. We are also sad to report that Mr George Shepherd has retired both as a member of the R&S sub-Committee and as a Trustee of RHCPT. The trustees wish

to record their gratitude to George for his major contribution to the Trust's work over a period of 9 years. He will be very much missed.

In October 2013 we welcomed Mr Peter Hitchcox of Greetham as a new Trustee to take over responsibility for the churches and parishes previously under the care of George Shepherd.

We are also very pleased to welcome, both as a new Trustee and as leader of the R&S Sub-committee, Mr Richard Foulkes of Hambleton, who joins the Trust with effect from our AGM 2014.

During the past Financial Year the Trust has approved grants totalling £24,000 to Edith Weston, Exton, Greetham, Ketton Methodist Church and Preston. The funds were granted for structural and roofing repairs and towards the replacement of a heating system.

As and when their Church Quinquennial Reports are issued we are encouraging the parochial church councils to contact us for financial help, if they need it, so that they may complete the recommended work promptly, thus avoiding any unnecessary deterioration to their Church Fabric.

Finally, we record with great sadness, the loss of our Vice President Sir David Davenport-Handley, who departed this life in January 2014 at the age of 94. He was a Founder Member of the Trust in 1954 and Chairman of the Trustees from 1987 to 2004 (the 50th Anniversary of the Trust's formation). His influence on the construction of our Trust Deed and upon the guiding principles of the Trust's policies in supporting our Rutland Churches was inestimable. Until the very end of his life he continued to take an active interest in the Trust's grant giving policies, financial planning and fundraising. A Churchwarden of Clipsham until his death, he was a strong believer in the regular maintenance of the fabric of our churches, and in particular in promptly carrying out the work recommended by the Church Architect in the Quinquennial Reports. On Sir David's retirement as Chairman of the Trust and appointment as Vice President in 2004, the Bishop of Peterborough, in tribute said:

"Sir David's concern and support was not only for churches and their people, but for the worship that takes place. As Chairman he had always been most kind and hospitable." We acknowledge his extraordinary contribution to the Trust and to the care of our Churches and their people.

The Trustees wish to take this public opportunity of thanking all of our supporters, sponsors and donors for all they have contributed during the past year. During the coming year, as in the past, we confidently look forward to receiving the continuing favour of our benefactors, and to providing all necessary support to our beautiful Rutland churches.