



# *South Cambridgeshire Conservative Association*

Registered with the Electoral Commission as the South  
Cambridgeshire Conservative Accounting Unit

## Statement of Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2023

# The South Cambridgeshire Conservative Association

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### Introduction

This Statement of Accounts provides a report on the political and financial activities of the South Cambridgeshire Conservative Association. The South Cambridgeshire Conservative Association registered address is:

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4 Matthew Parker Street  
Westminster  
London  
SW1H 9HQ

For the purposes of the Political Parties Elections Referendums Act 2000, Joshua Vanneck is the Registered Treasurer.

### Independent review

██████████, was the Independent Reviewer of the accounts.

### Review of political activities

#### **Overview**

The primary function of the Association is to promote and sustain the values of the Party and to provide an effective campaigning organisation to ensure the election of Conservative candidates at all levels of elective democracy, whilst providing a suitable atmosphere for appropriate social activities.

#### **Membership**

The unit's membership consists of the two categories:

- Full members
- Patrons

In addition, some members opt to become a patron for an additional contribution

<u>Membership Type</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Full Members	457	592
Patrons	41	41

## ***Branches***

The Association has two (2022: three) branches based on village proximity and local authority boundaries. They pass income to the Association and hold only nominal balances. All income received from those branches has been included in the Unit's accounts. Balances held as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 have been included in this statement of accounts.

1. Comberton
2. Hansford

## ***Committees***

The Association's Executive Council is responsible for managing the business of the Association and met multiple times during the year. The Association's campaign committee met informally as necessary during the various election campaigns.

## ***Campaigning***

The Association's political activities during the year included a vigorous campaign conducted for District elections and the launching of the general election campaign to re-elect a conservative MP for South Cambridgeshire. Campaigning has continued since the local elections with canvassing, newsletters and social media development.

## **Review of financial activities**

### ***Overview***

The Association directly financed all its expenses from its own income and reserves. The funds were raised from subscriptions and fundraising events as shown in the accounts.

The Constituency office at [REDACTED]

## **Income and expenditure**

### ***Income***

The main areas of income for the Association were:

- Subscriptions and donations from members and patrons;
- Money raised by branches through social functions and by Association organised events;
- Subscriptions and donations for the associations business club.

### ***Expenditure***

The elections for the District Councillors were hard fought and substantial costs were incurred. In addition the general election campaign was launched within the year, and significant campaigning activity undertaken. The results necessitated continuing expenditure and this, together with election costs, resulted in a substantial deficit for the year.

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## Income and Expenditure Account For the year ended 31 December 2023

		2023		2022
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>				
Subscriptions	6,112		10,058	
Association events	18,053		15,644	
Branch social activities	510		520	
Campaign Fund	0		60	
Candidate Election Campaign Fund	34,011		13,911	
Summer and Christmas draws	0		0	
Patrons' Club	7,405		5,727	
Contributions from Councillors	535		630	
Donations	3,505		7,220	
Office support	1,060		1,985	
Miscellaneous Income	595		139	
Transfers from Conservative Associations	1,628		0	
Business Club	0		3,750	
		73,414		59,644
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Staff costs	5,774		11,754	
Association Events	11,737		8,726	
Patrons	1,776		0	
Stationery, postage and photocopying	25,102		11,266	
Campaigning	14,763		29,997	
Office costs & IT	1,693		329	
Telephones & Internet	1,055		878	
Rent, Service Charge, Rates	8,829		8,409	
Election expenses	0		41	
PCC election costs	0		0	
Legal & Professional costs	0		875	
Miscellaneous costs	1,365		392	
Depreciation	276		368	
Website & communications	1,149		1,725	
Transfer to Conservative Association and Anthony Browne Campaign Fund	15,907		0	
		89,427		74,760
<b>ACCUMULATED FUND (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR YEAR</b>		(16,013)		(15,116)
<b>Funds received for Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Area Funds</b>		20		0
<b>FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>		52,620		67,736
<b>FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		36,627		52,620

**The South Cambridgeshire Conservative Association**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As at 31 December 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
Office equipment	827	1,103
Campaign materials	0	0
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<u>827</u>	<u>1,103</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash at bank	43,616	65,697
Stock	-	-
Debtors	653	1,218
Rent Deposit	2,854	2,854
	<u>47,123</u>	<u>69,769</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>		
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Creditors and accruals	11,323	18,252
	<u>(11,323)</u>	<u>(18,252)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>35,800</u>	<u>51,517</u>
	<u>36,627</u>	<u>52,620</u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>		
Accumulated Fund		
As at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2023	52,620	67,736
Anthony Election Fund transferred		
Area Fund movement	20	
Income / (Deficit) during year	(16,013)	(15,116)
	<u>36,627</u>	<u>52,620</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>36,627</u>	<u>52,620</u>
 SCCA Residual Funds	 13,866	 46,882
Anthony Browne Campaign Fund	0	5,556
SCCA New Constituency	22,559	0
Boundary changes apportionment	?? ??	0
Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Area Funds	202	182
	<u>36,627</u>	<u>52,620</u>

I confirm that the above Statement of Accounts has been prepared in accordance with guidance issued by the Electoral Commission and is correct to the best of my knowledge:  
Signed

John Biggs  
Chairman  
2023

The Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December 2022 together with the underlying accounting records have been independently reviewed by Mr

Signed

Joshua Vanneck ACA  
Treasurer  
2023

Independent Reviewer

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## Notes to the accounts

### 1. Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and guidance issued by the Electoral Commission.

### 2. Accounting convention

The statements are prepared on a historical cost basis.

### 3. Change in basis

There have not been any material changes to the Statement of Accounts, since last year's return.

### 4. Transfers

	2023 £	2022 £
From Cambridgeshire constituencies for PCC campaign	0	0
Anthony Browne Campaign Fund	(5,556)	0
St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire Conservative Association	(10,351)	
Area Management Executive	20	(65)
South East Cambridgeshire CA – PCC campaign surplus	0	0
	<u>(15,887)</u>	<u>(65)</u>

### 5. Fixed assets

Changes to the tangible asset basis of the organisation during the year:

	Property £	Fixtures & fittings £	Campaign Materials £	Information technology £	Total £
<b>Asset cost</b>					
Balance brought forward	0	5,941	2,865	4,364	13,170
Additions	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,941</b>	<b>2,865</b>	<b>4,364</b>	<b>13,170</b>
	Property	Fixtures & fittings	Campaign Materials	Information technology	Total
<b>Depreciation</b>					
Method	Nil	Straight line over 4 years	25% Straight Line	25% Reducing Balance	
Balance brought forward	0	5,941	2,865	3,261	12,067
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
Charge for the year	0	0	0	276	276
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,941</b>	<b>2,865</b>	<b>3,537</b>	<b>12,343</b>
<b>Net book value b' forward</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,103</b>	<b>1,103</b>
<b>Net book value c' forward</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>827</b>	<b>827</b>

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## Notes to the accounts (continued)

### 6. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Debtors	0	1,218
Premises	2,854	2,854
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,854</b>	<b>4,072</b>

### 7. Creditors and accruals

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	2023 £	2022 £	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	0	0	0	0
Accruals	13,627	13,627	0	0
Short term loans and overdrafts	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,627</b>	<b>13,627</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### 8. Branch Income and Expenditure

Amount banked for Branch events	520
Estimate on costs for these events	0
Gross Income	520
<b>Branch Expenditure</b>	<b>520</b>

### 9. Staff Costs

The Unit employed an average of one part time staff. Total costs amounted to £5,000 (2022: £10,000). This cost was paid via a recharge mechanism with the national conservative party and is inclusive of national Insurance and pension costs. In 2022, pension costs amounted to £499 and pension costs to £592.

### 10. Fundraising

The Unit runs a number of fundraising activities, which include:

- Lunches
- Raffles
- Drinks Parties
- Dinners
- Speaker events

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## Notes to the accounts (continued)

### 11. Investments

#### *Movement in investment assets during the year*

	2023	2022
Value at beginning of the year	0	0
Add any additions during the year	0	0
Less disposals at cost	0	0
<b>Value at end of the year</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

#### *Detailed breakdown of investments, by value and income generated*

	Value at year end		Income from investments	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Investment properties	0	0	0	0
Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange	0	0	0	0
Securities not listed on a recognised stock exchange	0	0	0	0
Cash held as part of the investment portfolio	0	0	0	0
Other investments	0	0	0	0
<b>Value at end of the year</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### 12. Donations reported to the Electoral Commission

None.

### 13. Donations over £1,500 reported to Central Office

None.

### 14. Commitments

None.

### 15. Guarantees

None.

### 16. Contingent Liabilities

None.

### 17. Accumulated Fund

None.