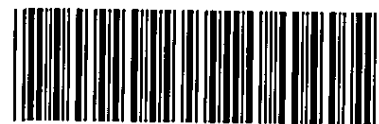


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SYCHROV (UK) LIMITED
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THE FRIENDS OF CASTLE SYCHROV (UK) LIMITED
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)
(REGISTERED CHARITY)
REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES

N V THOMPSON (ACTING CHAIRMAN)
L DE ROHAN
W MATTHEWS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

N V THOMPSON (ACTING CHAIRMAN)
C F DEWAR DURIE (TREASURER AND SECRETARY)
W MATTHEWS
A WEATHERSON
I KENNAWAY
N DE COURCY-IRELAND
E TEMPLE-RICHARDS

SPECIAL ADVISOR

M KOTTULINSKY-ROHAN

OVERSEAS REPRESENTATIVES

USA : ALICE DAYTON

COMPANY SECRETARY

C F DEWAR-DURIE

REGISTERED OFFICE

3 KING'S HOUSE
400 KING'S ROAD
LONDON SW10 OLL

HONORARY ACCOUNTANTS

SINGER HOME DESAI
29 GLOUCESTER PLACE
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COMPANY NO: 3045059
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1047737

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The Trustees who are Directors for company law purposes present their Report to the members with the Accounts and Notes thereto.

GOVERNING INSTRUMENT

The Company is a Registered Charity and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The object of the Charity is to preserve and restore Castle Sychrov in the Czech Republic, its historic contents and the parkland surrounding and belonging to it for public appreciation. There have been no changes in the Charity's objects or policies during the year.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

During the year covered by these accounts the Charity made grants of £11,500.

Allocations for future funding have been made on the basis of projects and estimates prepared by the Castle's Director for the Committee's consideration.

The Friends' administration expenses during the year amounted to £652.

The Trustees and the Committee were saddened to learn of the death of their former Chairman, Leslie McCracken in July 2008. A founder member of the Charity and a Trustee since its inception, his contribution had been vital, extensive and greatly appreciated both by the Charity in England and by the Castle administrators in the Czech Republic.

The year's efforts were focused on fund and profile-raising to support the restoration and conservation of Sychrov Castle and Park. The Castle hosts many events which also bring in vital revenue, not covered by these Accounts.

Construction works have continued under the supervision of Ing. Arch. Karel Ksandr; and some essential Park works were supervised by Ing. Weber, with overall responsibility lying with the Castle's Director, Dr Miloš Kadlec.

The UK Friends organised a Gothic Revival Day at the end of May, to visit two large country houses, Ashridge and Knebworth in Hertfordshire. This was followed in July by a Knights Templar and Knights Hospitaller Day to visit St John's Gate and the Temple Church in London. In October there was a long weekend trip to Malta. An illustrated talk was given in November by Dr Philip Mansel entitled, 'The Prince de Ligne, the Rohans and Bohemia'. All the events were well attended and generated funds for the Charity.

The Charity's Income in 2008, derived from members' subscriptions, donations, interest, sales of cards and booklets, and profit from the visits and the London lecture totalled £10,413.

The Trustees and Committee met formally once; and Trustees met informally several times. Trustee William Matthews made a visit to Sychrov in July and reported to the other Trustees and Committee. Regular contact has been maintained with the Friends' Special Advisor, Marguerite Kottulinsky-Rohan, who also made a trip to Bohemia to review progress and advised on various projects for which the Castle's Director was seeking funding.

It has been agreed that The Friends of Castle Sychrov (UK) should continue to direct the majority of its grants towards the vital, but sometimes less obviously 'exciting' projects that need to be done - mostly in the Park.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008 (CONTINUED)

DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES (AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE)

The constitution of the Board of Directors, Trustees and Executive Committee during the year was as follows:

DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES

N V Thompson (Acting Chairman)
L de Rohan
W Matthews

Mr L C McCracken died during the year.

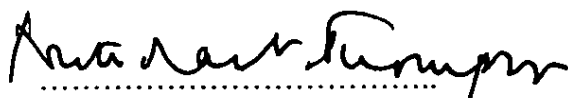
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

N V Thompson (Acting Chairman)
W Matthews
C F Dewar-Durie (Treasurer and Secretary)
A Weatherson
I Kennaway
N de Courcy-Ireland
E Temple-Richards (Elected February 2008)

There were no changes to the constitution of the Board of Directors or Trustees made during the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD



N V THOMPSON –
ACTING CHAIRMAN

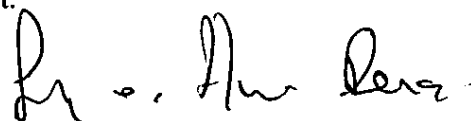


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ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

In accordance with instructions given to us, we have prepared the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 set out on Pages 6 to 9 from information and explanations supplied to us by the management of the company.

We have not audited the financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express our audit opinion or any other form of assurance that the accounting records and the financial Statements are free from material misstatement.



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DATED: 13 October 2009

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE – GENERAL FUND**

<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Donations – General	£ 5,874	£ 3,924
Sundry Net Income	4,237	5,144
Investment Income	302	305
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<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>	<u>£ 10,413</u>	<u>£ 9,373</u>
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<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>		
<u>Direct Charitable Expenditure</u>	<u>£ 11,500</u>	<u>£ 12,765</u>
<u>Other Expenditure</u>		
Management and Administration of the Charity	652	519
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<u>Total Resources Expended</u>	<u>£ 12,152</u>	<u>£ 13,284</u>
	-----	-----
Net Outgoing/Incoming Resources for the Year	£(1,739)	£(3,911)
Balance Brought Forward at 1 January 2008	9,130	13,041
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<u>Fund Balances Carried Forward</u>		
<u>at 31 December 2008</u>	<u>£ 7,391</u>	<u>£ 9,130</u>

The Notes form part of these Financial Statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2008

<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>	<u>NOTES</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Debtors	3	£ -	£ -
Cash at Bank and In Hand		7,391	9,130
		<u>£ 7,391</u>	<u>£ 9,130</u>
<u>LESS:</u>			
<u>CREDITORS</u>			
Amounts falling due within One Year	4	£ -	£ -
		<u>£ 7,391</u>	<u>£ 9,130</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>£ 7,391</u>	<u>£ 9,130</u>
<u>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</u>		<u>£ 7,391</u>	<u>£ 9,130</u>

The Directors have taken advantage of the total exemption from audit conferred by Section 249A(1) of Companies Act 1985 and confirm that members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the period in accordance with S249B(2).


The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that:

2. The charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 221 of the Companies Act 1985 and
3. The financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at 31 December 2008 and of its incoming resources, including income and expenditure in the year, in accordance with the requirements of Section 226 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 1985 relating to the financial statements so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part V11 of the Companies Act 1985 relating to Small Companies, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for smaller entities (effective January 2007).


N V THOMPSON – ACTING CHAIRMAN

DIRECTOR


W MATTHEWS

DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 13 October 2009.

The Notes form part of these Financial Statements.

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008****NOTE: 1****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****ACCOUNTING CONVENTION**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

DONATIONS AND OTHER INCOME

Income is derived from donations, subscriptions and sundry sales.

ALLOCATION OF COSTS

Costs are allocated between direct charitable and other expenditure according to the nature of the cost. Where items involve more than one category they are apportioned between the categories according to the nature of the cost. Detailed analysis of the allocation of costs is given in Note 2 to the Accounts.

<u>2. ANALYSIS OF TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
<u>Direct Charitable Expenditure</u>		
Donations to Castle Sychrov projects	£ 11,500	£ 12,765
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>Management and Administration</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Telephone, Postage and Stationery	£ 302	£ 321
Sundry Expenses	41	37
Travel Expenses	226	160
Bank Charges	83	1
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	£ 652	£ 519
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>4. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Sundry Debtors	£ -	£ -
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008 (CONTINUED)****5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING
DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Accrued Expenses	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>

FUNDS

All the funds of the charity are unrestricted.

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THE INFORMATION WHICH APPEARS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES HAS BEEN
PREPARED AT THE REQUEST OF THE COMPANY'S MANAGEMENT AND FOR
MANAGEMENT PURPOSES ONLY AND DOES NOT FORM PART OF THE
STATUTORY ACCOUNTS AND IS SUBMITTED TO THE INLAND REVENUE
AND TO OTHER THIRD PARTIES AS INSTRUCTED BY THE DIRECTORS.

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INCOME

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Donations Received	£ 5,874	£ 3,924
Interest Received (Gross)	4,237	5,144
Sundry Net Income	302	305
	-----	-----
	£ 10,413	£ 9,373

LESS:

ADMINISTRATION EXPENDITURE

Postage	£ 83	£ 110
Telephone and Fax	16	15
Printing	112	110
Stationery	32	17
Statutory Charges	15	30
Bank Charges	83	1
Travel Expenses	226	160
General Expenses	41	37
Subscriptions	39	39
	-----	-----
	652	519

NET INCOME AVAILABLE
FOR CASTLE SYCHROV

9,761 8,854

DONATIONS TO CASTLE
SYCHROV PROJECTS

11,500 12,765

DEFICIT/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR
COMMITTED TO CASTLE SYCHROV FOR 2008

(1,739) (3,911)

DEFICIT/SURPLUS AFTER COMMITMENT

£(1,739) £(3,911)

FUNDED FROM SURPLUS REVENUE FROM
PREVIOUS PERIOD

Transfer from/to Surplus Revenue Account	£ -	£ -
	(1,739)	(3,911)
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	£ -	£ -
	=====	=====