

**LLOYDS AND
TRUSTEE
SAVINGS
BANKS
STAFF BENEVOLENT
FUND**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
April 2017**

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YOUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2017 – 2018

Chairman:

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Treasurer:

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**Wales, Cheshire, Shropshire,
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West Midlands.**

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Area 3***East Midlands***

**Derbyshire, Leicestershire,
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**Cumbria, Lancashire,
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Area 4***South East***

**Kent, London (South),
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Area 8***Home Counties (North)***

**Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire,
London (North) and
Northamptonshire.**

Vacant

Area 12***South Central***

**Berkshire, Dorset,
Hampshire, Oxfordshire
and Wiltshire.**

Paul Welch
2 Sainsbury Close
Andover

**TSB STAFF BENEVOLENT FUND
MINUTES OF
39th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
held at 33 Old Broad Street, London
on
26th April 2017**

Attendees:

L. Coombes	Chairman
J. Taylor	Vice Chairman
I.C. Brodie	Treasurer
A. Liversedge	Secretary

A. Ewan (Vice Chairman designate)	
T. Legge	E. Morris
P. Swift	P. Welch

M. Lewis – Independent Examiner

The Secretary to read the notice convening the meeting.

1. Welcome The Chairman to welcome all to the meeting.

Apologies S. Brough, C. Hardingham and R. Paterson

2. Minutes of the Thirty-Eighth Annual General Meeting held on 20 April 2016

The Minutes of the Thirty-Eighth Annual General Meeting were proposed by A. Ewan and seconded by P. Welch. They were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting and signed by the chairman as a true record.

3. Annual Report of the Trustees

The Annual Report of the Trustees was presented to the meeting.

The Annual Report of the Trustees (Appendix A) was accepted. Proposed by P. Swift and seconded by T. Legge and accepted without amendment.

4. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2016 was presented to the meeting. The Annual Accounts (Appendix B) were proposed by E. Morris and seconded by J. Taylor and unanimously adopted.

The Chair thanked Private Banking and Group Audit for their support and assistance.

5. Appointment of Officers and Independent Examiner

The Secretary, in accordance with Rules 6.2 and 13.2 of the Constitution, advised that the Committee had selected the following to act as officers and the Examiner:

Chairman	L.J. Coombes
Vice Chairman	A. Ewan
Secretary	A. Liversedge
Treasurer	I. C. Brodie
Independent Examiner	Martin Lewis of Lloyds Bank Group Audit

6. Election of Committee Members

Vacancies became due in the following areas for the period April 2017 to April 2020.

Area 5 Northern Ireland and Isle of Man

Area 6 Cheshire, Shropshire, Herefordshire & Worcestershire, Staffordshire, Wales, Warwickshire and West Midlands

Area 7 Cumbria, Lancashire, Greater Manchester and Merseyside

Area 8 Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire, London (North) and Northamptonshire

The following were the only nominees and therefore have been appointed:

Area	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded
5	R. Paterson	I. Brodie	P. Welch
6	L.J. Coombes	E. Morris	P. Welch
7	E. Morris	T. Legge	J. Taylor
8	Vacancy		

Proposed by J. Taylor and Seconded by P. Swift.

7. Other Business

The Chair recorded the thanks of the Committee and himself for the help and commitment given to the Fund by the retiring Vice Chair, John Taylor.

TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANKS STAFF BENEVOLENT FUND 276303**Objectives of the Fund**

The objectives of the Fund are to relieve cases of hardship or distress for the following classes of persons:

Members, former members and retired members of the Staffs of the former Trustee Savings Banks, subsidiary companies and other approved organisations

Members, former members and retired members of TSB Bank Plc, subsidiary companies and other approved organisations

Members, former members and retired members of Lloyds Bank Plc, subsidiary companies and other approved organisations

Individual who are or have been members of Lloyds (TSB) Pension Schemes No. 1, No. 2 and Your Tomorrow or a Pension Fund of TSB Bank Plc.

Dependants of members of such staff

Dependants of deceased members of such staff

Persons maintained by deceased members of such staff at the date of their death.

We have referred to the information contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and the trustees consider that our activities currently fall within the objectives set.

Support Provided to Colleagues

At the Annual General Meeting in April 2015, our constitution was amended to widen potential beneficiaries with the agreement of the Charities Commission. Our constituency is now circa 300,000 and covers all current employees of Lloyds Banking Group Plc and the new TSB Bank Plc including those who are, or have been, members of a Lloyds or TSB Pension Scheme, plus dependants. During 2016, 18 new cases were received and the Committee reviewed a further 20 active cases. Funds distributed amounted to £27,596. The Committee is very conscious that all its funds come from donations from Members and we are fortunate at present that The Fund has been able to meet requests for assistance that fall within its guidelines. However, the general decline in subscriptions continues, though with our current assets we do not see an issue in the foreseeable future.

Our web site has been fully operational for 3 years. To maintain this facility there is a nominal cost to the Fund and this year it was £429. Hampers were sent to 37 beneficiaries during the Christmas period 2016 and many letters and phone calls of thanks were received.

Committee

We continue to be very fortunate in having a dedicated Committee, which is made up of both serving and retired officers of the original TSB and Lloyds Bank. Together they provide a wide spectrum of experience, which is to the benefit of all our Members in the review of cases.

The Chairman would like to place on record his appreciation of the work of the Secretary and Treasurer during the year. Likewise, the Committee wishes to express their thanks to the Chairman who maintains the web site.

Support of Lloyds Banking Group

The Trustees wish to record the invaluable help and support that the Lloyds Banking Group give to the Fund in providing banking, advice and administration expenses. The Committee, through that support, is able to dedicate 100% of the Fund to its objectives; except for the nominal running costs of the web site – see above.

Martin Lewis of Lloyds Banking Group Audit was appointed as Independent Examiner to the Fund. We thank Group Audit for their advice and support during the year.

Reserves Policy

All monies held by the Charity as Reserves are Unrestricted Funds. The policy for reserves is set against the background of reducing subscriptions and is as follows:

- (a) to provide funds to meet regular commitments and specific one-off needs of applicants and to enable these requests to be satisfied at short notice and
- (b) to ensure that there are sufficient realisable investments and income from those investments to meet the shortfall in income from subscribers to cover future applicants' requests and
- (c) to continue to invest any surplus investment income or realised profit from investments to ensure that in the future the reserves will be able to meet the needs of applicants.

The Trustees consider that at present the reserves are sufficient to meet policy objectives.

Risk

The Trustees are fully aware of the trend of a continued decrease in members' subscriptions. The pool of potential beneficiaries increased in 2015 due to the inclusion of the staff and dependents from Lloyds Bank becoming eligible for support. The impact of the extension of eligibility in 2009 to pensioners and dependents of the Lloyds TSB Pension Scheme No. 1 and in 2014 to the new TSB Bank Plc continues to be minimal and there has been negligible impact seen during the 20 months since the 2015 change. Whilst the demands from the potential beneficiaries may well become greater as time passes, the funds are managed to produce both income and capital growth and over most recent years there has been a small excess. The Fund has discretion as to whom funds are distributed and there are guidelines in place to ensure that grants are distributed in a fair way and that no one beneficiary could deplete the Fund. The Fund has neither employees nor property and the Capital of the Fund is managed for the Trustees by Professional Fund Managers.

Legal Details

Charity Number: 276303

Charity Name Trustee Savings Banks Staff Benevolent Fund
Also known as Lloyds and TSB Staff Benevolent Fund

Trustees Lawson J. Coombes (Chairman)
John Taylor (Vice Chairman)
Iain C. Brodie (Treasurer)
Anthony Liversedge (Secretary)

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Copies of the Rules and Constitution are available from the Secretary of the Fund at the Principal Office.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the TSB Staff Benevolent Fund
Year ending 31 December 2016**

I report on the accounts of the TSB Staff Benevolent Fund (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2016, which are set out on pages 8 and 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Martin Lewis
C/o Lloyds Banking Group Plc
Group Audit

25th April 2017

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

Appendix B

LLOYDS & TSB STAFF BENEVOLENT FUND

Receipts and Payments Account
for the year to 31st December 2016

	2016	2015
		£
RECEIPTS		
Subscriptions	9,929	10,660
Donations	270	280
Investment Income	19,556	22,570
Net Gain on Sales of Investments	3,282	0
	<u>33,037</u>	<u>33,510</u>
PAYMENTS		
Grants	27,596	39,540
Administration Expenses	429	114
Net Loss on Sales of Investments	0	4,276
	<u>28,025</u>	<u>43,930</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS (2015 PAYMENTS) FOR YEAR	<u>5,012</u>	<u>-10,420</u>
ACCUMULATED FUND		
Accumulated Fund (Unrestricted) Brought Forward	680,199	690,619
Excess of Receipts (2015 – Payments) for Year	5,012	-10,420
Accumulated Fund (Unrestricted) Carried Forward	<u>685,211</u>	<u>680,199</u>

The notes on page 9 forms part of these accounts

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Appendix B

TSB STAFF BENEVOLENT FUND

Statement of Assets as at 31st December 2016

	31.12.16	31.12.15
ASSETS EMPLOYED		£
Investments at Cost	671,958	668,732
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank Account	13,253	11,467
	<u>685,211</u>	<u>680,199</u>
REPRESENTED BY		
ACCUMULATED FUND (UNRESTRICTED)	<u>685,211</u>	<u>680,199</u>

These accounts were approved by the Committee on 26th April 2017

(Signed) I C BRODIE (TREASURER)

(Signed) L J COOMBES (CHAIRMAN)

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2016

1. Income and Expenditure

Income and expenditure is accounted for on a receipts and payments basis.

2. Investments

	2016	2015
		£
Quoted Investments at cost	<u>671,958</u>	<u>668,732</u>
Market Value at 31st December 2016	<u>833,786</u>	<u>734,400</u>
Unrealised Profit	<u>161,828</u>	<u>65,668</u>

Lloyds Private Banking Limited manage the investment portfolio. The instructions to Private Banking are to invest part of the capital in equity markets to achieve growth with the remainder in low risk investments to provide a steady income stream.

**WILL YOU SUBSCRIBE TO THE LLOYDS AND TSB
STAFF BENEVOLENT FUND?**

The fund exists to relieve hardship that may be suffered by members and former members of staff and their dependents who worked for Lloyds Banking Group, the former TSB Group companies, and members of the new TSB Bank, together with those receiving pensions from Lloyds Pension Schemes No. 1 and No. 2

And...

**BOOST THE VALUE OF YOUR DONATION BY 25p OF GIFT AID FOR EVERY £1 YOU
DONATE**

If you are a self employed or personal tax-payer you can increase the value of your donations to The Lloyds and TSB Staff Benevolent Fund at no extra cost by signing the declaration below. Should you wish to increase your subscription, or start donating, please complete both instructions.

In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the box below:

I want to Gift Aid my donation of £..... per month and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years (existing amounts are shown on your pay / pension advice) to:

Lloyds & TSB Staff Benevolent Fund

I am a UK tax payer and understand that if I pay less Income and / or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Signed Date.....
Full Name
Address.....
.....
.....Post Code Telephone.....

To: Pay Admin. Lloyds Banking Group Plc. (Code 573) / TSB Bank /Willis Towers Watson *

Employing Company / Pension Fund Name:

Please deduct from my pay/pension each month the sum of:

Amount £..... (..... in words)
to be paid to the **Lloyds and TSB Staff Benevolent Fund** Charity No. 276303

Name: Pay/Pension Number:
Address:
.....
.....Post Code.....
Signature: Date:

* delete as appropriate

**PLEASE FORWARD BOTH PARTS TO THE TREASURER,
Iain Brodie, 110B Maxwell Avenue, Westerton, Bearsden, Glasgow G61 1HU**
(Please photocopy for additional copies)

**LLOYDS AND TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANKS
STAFF BENEVOLENT FUND**

What we do.....

The Lloyds & TSB Staff Benevolent Fund provides benevolence for members, former members of staff and pensioners who work or worked for Lloyds Banking Group, the former TSB Group companies, and members of the new TSB Bank. Close relatives and dependants are also included.

The Fund exists to relieve hardship and examples of assistance that have been given are:

- Provide essentials to a member of staff made homeless due to violence
- Essential property repairs for a member of staff diagnosed with a terminal illness
- Colleague on sick leave supported with travel costs to visit specialist in London
- Bought replacement washing machines and televisions for pensioners
- Purchased a wheelchair for a former member of staff
- Help buy a motorised scooter to provide greater independence
- Assisted the building of a wet-room with seat for a gentleman with MS
- Helped a lady replace her spectacles after falling

If you know someone who may be able to benefit from the Fund, please contact the Secretary or Area Representative (see page 2). All requests for assistance are treated as confidential to the Benevolent Fund and given impartial consideration.