

St Edmundsbury & Ipswich Mothers' Union
Reserves Policy

The need for reserves: The Society needs to hold reserves to cover unexpected and unbudgeted expenditure. In particular, Outings and Retreats should be self-funding, but there comes a time during the booking period when we are committed to considerable expenditure. If few people book the event, we may be in financial difficulty. Though it is fair to say that this has never happened, it is prudent to keep reserves to cover such a possibility.

Other Funds: Money is held in CAF bank to cover all restricted funds and the subscriptions and other donations which fund Diocesan expenditure. The total amount held fluctuates throughout the year.

The level of reserves: It is the Trustees policy to keep only sufficient reserves in the investments to cover any sudden unexpected drop in income. This amount is £15000 and is almost the only source of interest/dividend. There are no items of expenditure on buildings or other hardware for which reserves might be necessary, as the Trustees do not own any.

Where the reserves are held: £5000 is invested in the Investment Fund and £10,000 in the Deposit Fund at the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England.

Action at the year end: At their last meeting of the year, the Trustees will consider any excess money held in CAF Bank and decide how to disburse it, either into Diocesan restricted funds or to be sent to MSH for particular Action and Outreach purposes.

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Name:..... Position Diocesan President.

Signed:..... Date.....

Due for review by 2025

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