



OLD SOUTHENDIAN ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of Wednesday, 9th November 2022

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Keith Spenceley

General Secretary

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3rd November 2022

Notice of the Annual General Meeting

To be held at

The Southendian Club, Garon Park, Southend on Sea, Essex

(with remote access available via *Google Meet* – see below)

On Wednesday, 9th November 2022 at 7.45 pm

All Members are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting, to contribute to the affairs of the Association and introduce new ideas for consideration by the Executive Committee

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10th November 2021
Available as circulated with this Agenda and at www.oldsouthendianassociation.org/news
3. Any Matters Arising
4. Chairman's Report
5. Treasurer's Report, and presentation of the Audited Accounts for the financial year ended 31st March 2022
6. Reports of Sub Committees, the School, OSA Clubs and the Affiliated Organisations
7. The Election of Officers, the Executive Committee and the Honorary Auditor
8. Date of the next Annual General Meeting
9. Any other competent business

Notice of apologies for absence for recording in the Minutes may be sent to:

Keith Spenceley, General Secretary

Email: secretary@oldsouthendianassociation.org

8th October 2022

Remote access to the Meeting will be available via the *Google Meet* video-communication service. The simple instructions are as follows:

- Follow this link on your computer or laptop: <https://meet.google.com/bno-zxup-tvo>
- Enter your name when prompted to be accepted into the meeting.
- You can also join the meeting by telephone. +44 20 3956 4975 PIN: 678 893 953#.
- Members overseas can also refer to the following link for more telephone numbers:
<https://tel.meet/bno-zxup-tvo?pin=1440559892092>
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**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Old Southendian Association
held at The Southendian Club, Garon Park, Southend on Sea (and via Google Meet)
on Wednesday, 10th November 2021 commencing at 7.50 pm.**

Those Present:

Clive Shiret (Chair)	Robin Bevan	Ken Carter	Kate Cooper
Bob Craven	Andy Crow	Philip Digby	Daniel Garside
Graham Glover	Will Green	Colin Hodges	Trevor Johnson
Geoff Kittle	Kevin Leigh	Geoff May	Richard Olson
Chris Sorrell	Keith Spenceley	Martin Stansfield	Joseph Zammit

Item	Minute
1.0	Apologies for Absence had been received from Don Brech, Sam Hodgson, Matt Jarvis, Claire Kirkland, James Masson, Owen Pay, Andy Sargeant and Graham Winckless.
2.0	Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 11th November 2020 : The Minutes were approved on a proposal by Martin Stansfield, seconded by Ken Carter and signed by the Chairman.
3.0	Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 11th November 2020: There were none.
4.0	Chairman's Report:
4.1	Clive Shiret's report had been circulated and was available on the website. He reported <i>inter alia</i> that the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic had continued to be felt in all areas of life throughout the year, not least in matters affecting the School and the Association.
4.2	The positive OSA events of 2021 were 70+ school leavers applying to join the Association, some very good 'Chin Wag' sessions organised by Andy Crow, a successful Autumn Lunch and indeed the first Reunion Dinner for two years.
4.3	He sent special thanks to Graham Glover who was stepping down from the Executive Committee after many years' service, especially in organising the Association's London Dinners so successfully. Graham would still be arranging the organisation of the London Dinner to be held on 4 th February 2022.
4.4	Clive confirmed that, after 15 years, next year would be his last as Chairman of the Executive Committee.
5.0	Treasurer's Report and Presentation of the Audited Accounts to 31st March 2021:
5.1	Dan Garside reported on the financial position of the Association and noted that expenditure in the year was lower than normal due to no magazine production and no donations to the School, neither for prizes, since it was not possible to hold the Prizegiving, nor for individual awards to departments, since such funds were being held over pending finalisation of plans for the Wellbeing Garden. Income was also down as there had been limited opportunity to hold the usual recruitment events in the School. The overall picture of the accounts remained a healthy one, having made a surplus of £6,686 and with accumulated funds of over £40,000.
5.2	Ken Carter clarified that the expenditure of £106 for the Spring Lunch related to refunds of monies collected in the previous year when the Lunch had had to be cancelled.
5.3	Martin Stansfield asked whether there was any way of contacting the 2020 and 2021 school leavers. Chris Sorrell advised that he had 45 email addresses for leavers that he was going to contact. Clive Shiret confirmed that a visit with pizza was made to the School on the last day of term and 65 completed application forms (with funds) had been obtained. Robin Bevan said that another useful recruitment opportunity would be the day in mid-December when the examination certificates were distributed.
5.4	The Accounts for the year ended 31 st March 2021 were adopted on a proposal by Graham Glover, seconded by Kate Cooper.

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7.1	<p>The Meeting approved the appointment of the following Officers:</p> <table> <tr> <td># Chairman (<i>of the Executive Committee</i>)*</td><td>Clive Shiret</td></tr> <tr> <td>President (<i>with effect from 01 January 2020 and to serve until 31st December 2021</i>)*</td><td>Andy Crow</td></tr> <tr> <td>Immediate Past President (<i>to serve until 31 December 2021</i>)*</td><td>Chris Sorrell</td></tr> <tr> <td>President Designate (<i>with effect from 01 January 2020 and to serve until 31st December 2021</i>)*</td><td>Keith Spenceley</td></tr> <tr> <td>President (<i>with effect from 1st January 2022 and to serve until 31st December 2022</i>)*</td><td>Keith Spenceley</td></tr> <tr> <td>Immediate Past President (<i>with effect from 1st January 2022 and to serve until 31st December 2022</i>)*</td><td>Andy Crow</td></tr> <tr> <td>President Designate (<i>with effect from 1st January 2022 and to serve until 31st December 2022</i>)*</td><td>Dan Garside</td></tr> <tr> <td>Treasurer*</td><td>Dan Garside</td></tr> <tr> <td>Secretary*</td><td>Keith</td></tr> <tr> <td>Spenceley</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Registrar*</td><td>Geoffrey May</td></tr> <tr> <td>Legal Adviser*</td><td>Kevin Leigh</td></tr> <tr> <td>Publications Officer*</td><td>Chris Sorrell</td></tr> </table>	# Chairman (<i>of the Executive Committee</i>)*	Clive Shiret	President (<i>with effect from 01 January 2020 and to serve until 31st December 2021</i>)*	Andy Crow	Immediate Past President (<i>to serve until 31 December 2021</i>)*	Chris Sorrell	President Designate (<i>with effect from 01 January 2020 and to serve until 31st December 2021</i>)*	Keith Spenceley	President (<i>with effect from 1st January 2022 and to serve until 31st December 2022</i>)*	Keith Spenceley	Immediate Past President (<i>with effect from 1st January 2022 and to serve until 31st December 2022</i>)*	Andy Crow	President Designate (<i>with effect from 1st January 2022 and to serve until 31st December 2022</i>)*	Dan Garside	Treasurer*	Dan Garside	Secretary*	Keith	Spenceley		Registrar*	Geoffrey May	Legal Adviser*	Kevin Leigh	Publications Officer*	Chris Sorrell
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7.2	# serving as Executive Committee Chairman from the 2019 AGM until the 2022 AGM.																										
7.3	In addition to the Officers marked*, all of whom are ex officio, the following were elected to the Executive Committee until the 2022 AGM: Ken Carter, Kate Cooper, Simon Darby, Geoff Kittle, Martin Stansfield, Will Green and Joe Zammit.																										
7.4	<p>Executive Committee representatives from the Affiliated Organisations and Clubs are advised as:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Cricket Club - Chris Sorrell</td><td>Football Club - Clive Shiret</td></tr> <tr> <td>Hockey Club - Andy Smithson</td><td>Organ Society - Joe Zammit</td></tr> <tr> <td>Golf Circle – Graham Winckless</td><td>Bowls Circle – Trevor Johnson</td></tr> </table> <p>A partner of Azets (formerly Wilkins Kennedy) has agreed to continue as Honorary Auditor.</p>	Cricket Club - Chris Sorrell	Football Club - Clive Shiret	Hockey Club - Andy Smithson	Organ Society - Joe Zammit	Golf Circle – Graham Winckless	Bowls Circle – Trevor Johnson																				
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8.0	Date of the next Annual General Meeting:																										
	The Meeting agreed that the 2022 Annual General Meeting should be held at The Southendian Club, Garon Park, Southend on Sea on Wednesday, 9 th November 2022, commencing at 7.45 pm.																										
10.0	Any Other Competent Business:																										
10.1	Bob Craven, attending the Association's AGM for the first time in 50 years, asked what consideration was given to the involvement of people with disabilities within the Association. Clive Shiret confirmed that, as a venue, Garon Park was completely accessible in that regard and Geoff Kittle suggested that perhaps links could be forged with Andy Crow's wellbeing initiatives. Bob agreed to write to the Association's Secretary with more information of what he had in mind.																										
10.2	Joseph Zammit reminded the meeting that there was an Organ Society concert at 7.30 pm in the School Hall on 13 th November.																										
10.3	There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.17 pm.																										

Keith Spenceley, General Secretary.
30th November 2021.

Agenda Item 4 – Chairman's Report

It has been 15 years since I took on the role of Chairman of the Association and, in that time, I have made great strides to move the organisation into a sustainable financial position and modernised some of the processes and procedures to give a base for the future. Change is a process that is vital to the wellbeing of any organisation and specifically for the OSA, to keep it relevant to the new members, while retaining the spirit and soul for existing members.

The Covid pandemic has been a time of prolonged and profound change in our society and the effects will be felt by the nation in terms of health and wellbeing for many years to come. The generational nature of the OSA membership represents a complete cross section of the community and therefore reflects the nation as a whole.

It is therefore appropriate that, at this moment when we need to reshape our approach to the needs of the School, its students - our life blood - and our members, that I am stepping down and handing the role on to a person who has the energy and empathy to guide the organisation over the next few years.

I would like to personally thank all those who have been on or joined the Executive Board while I have been Chairman, especially those who currently fulfil administration roles which keep the wheels turning - Dan Garside, Geoff May, Keith Spenceley, Chris Sorrell, Kevin Leigh, Joe Zammit, Ken Carter, Andy Crow and the 'Old Guard' who keep us firmly connected to our roots.

The Associated Clubs still maintain rude health, but they also have their struggles and challenges moving forward and we should all try to support them as much as we can through these difficult times.

I have enjoyed my time as your Chairman and I plan to still play my part in supporting the new Chairman and enjoying the company of my many Association friends.

My focus for a few years now has been on the facilities at Garon Park, which are being modelled as destination facilities for the benefit of the mental and physical health and wellbeing of the local population. Do pop in or lend us your support as a participant – we have many volunteering and development roles and I can say from my own experience it real is good for your soul.

Clive Shiret (Athens, 1973-1975)

Agenda Item 5 – Presentation of the Audited Accounts for the financial year ended 31st March 2022

I am delighted to present the 2022 accounts for approval at the AGM.

The year marked our return to our full events schedule and the Associations emergence from the COVID pandemic.

We have been very fortunate to have not been unduly impacted financially by the pandemic and I am pleased to report a surplus for the second year in a row, this totalled £2,966.

Income from annual subscriptions of £5,430 and life member donations of £2,460 have held up well and it is really pleasing to see this grow year on year. As I move into my year of Presidency, I am keen to ensure that as an Association we all look to do our bit in driving more members by reaching out to old School friends and getting them to part with £10. Whilst I appreciate our Magazine has been on pause during the pandemic, this will return and we continue to have significant appetite to support the School wherever we can. Rest assured therefore that every £10 contribution is important to us, so thank you for your ongoing support of the OSA.

It was with great pleasure that we were able to again support the School in funding the shortfall in expenditure for the annual Prizegiving as well as our ability to present Cliff Wyatt with a 100th birthday cake shortly before his sad passing.

Our overall reserves now stand at a total of £43,103 giving us a great platform to continue to sustain friendships but also to continue to build on the power of the OSA network and to ensure the Association is around to support Old Boys well into the future.

Lastly, I would like to offer a personal thanks to Clive Shiret for his vision, energy and service to the Association over the past 15 years. We have been very lucky as an organisation to have had someone work so hard and altruistically on our behalf and as an Executive we will miss him. Good luck to Clive as he continues to build on the fantastic foundation he has built at Garon Park."

Dan Garside FCCA (Tuscany, 1988-1995)

OLD SOUTHENDIAN ASSOCIATION
ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

OLD SOUTHENDIAN ASSOCIATION

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE OLD SOUTHENDIAN ASSOCIATION

We can confirm that the accompanying Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure Account and Notes thereto in respect of the year ended 31st March 2022 have been prepared from the books, vouchers, bank statements and other information made available to us by the Treasurer and are in accordance therewith.

Julian Golding
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OLD SOUTHENDIAN ASSOCIATION**GENERAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

	Year ended 31/03/2022		Year ended 31/03/2021	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM SUBSCRIPTIONS				
Life subscriptions	0		0	
Annual subscriptions	5,430		5,350	
		5,430		5,350
INTEREST RECEIVED				
National savings income bonds		24		209
OTHER INCOME				
Magazine revenue	0		0	
(Deficit) on necktie/scarf sales/cuff links	-500		-275	
Life member donations	2,460		2,420	
Sundry donations	0		120	
(Deficit) on social functions (note 2)	-11		-106	
		1,949		2,159
		7,403		7,718
LESS: EXPENDITURE				
Publication of magazine	0		0	
Printing, postage & stationery	66		3	
SHSB sponsorship (note 3)	0		0	
SHSB archive project contribution	0		0	
SHSB trophies and prizes	1,865		0	
SHSB wellbeing garden project	0		150	
Awareness campaign associated costs	1,382		0	
OSA public liability insurance premium	925		796	
Cliff Wyatt 100th birthday cake	143		0	
Domain registration and hosting costs	56		83	
		4,437		1,032
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		2,966		6,686

OLD SOUTHENDIAN ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST MARCH 2022

	31/03/2022		31/03/2021	
	£	£	£	£
INVESTMENT				
National savings income bonds		25,000		25,000
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stock in hand, at cost	2,237		2,987	
Sundry debtors	<u>500</u>		<u>500</u>	
		2,737		3,487
BANK BALANCES				
T.S.B. current accounts		<u>15,640</u>		<u>11,934</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		43,377		40,421
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Sundry creditors		<u>-274</u>		<u>-284</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>43,103</u>		<u>40,137</u>
REPRESENTING:				
ACCUMULATED FUNDS				
General income and expenditure account (note 1)		<u>43,103</u>		<u>40,137</u>

Signed by:

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D. Garside - Treasurer

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C Shiret - Chairman

OLD SOUTHENDIAN ASSOCIATION

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

1. GENERAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	2022 £	2021 £
Balance brought forward at 1st April 2021	40,137	33,451
Surplus for the year	2,966	6,686
Balance carried forward at 31st March 2022	<u>43,103</u>	<u>40,137</u>

2. (DEFICIT) ON SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

	London Dinner £	Reunion Dinner £	Spring Lunch £	Autumn Lunch £	TOTAL £
Income	4,365	7,900	0	451	12,716
Expenditure	<u>-4,365</u>	<u>-7,911</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-451</u>	<u>-12,727</u>
Net (Deficit)/Surplus	<u>0</u>	<u>-11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-11</u>
2021	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-106</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-106</u>

3. SHSB SPONSORSHIP

	2022 £	2021 £
Sixth form - EPQ Courses (inc stress reduction, yoga etc)	0	0
Music - Organ Music and Bursary	0	0
PE - Netball equipment	0	0
Art DSLR	0	0
Economics - Library books	0	0
Drama - Lighting	0	0
History Trip	0	0
Charity week	0	0
Business Studies	0	0
Y7 Book trust	0	0
Veterans Lunch	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Agenda Item 6.1 – Bowls Circle Report

With the sun now having set on this Summer's Fixtures, it is time for me to put pen to paper to give you my report on this year's overall performance.

For 2022, 20 matches were organised and with the glorious warm sunny summer all were played. 15 matches were won and 5 lost, resulting in us having, overall, a very successful season. Only the Fair Wood game was rain affected, with ends reduced. A small number of others were reduced in ends owing to excessive heat!!

Ends won totalled 44 against 29 lost. Shots won being 1,250 against 995. Below, I have attached a list of the season's results. Achieving 101 shots at Rochford was magnificent, first time in my time as Match Secretary we have achieved a score in excess of 100!

DATE 2022	CLUB	T/R	RESULT	NOS.	SHOTS
10TH MAY	FAIRWOOD	T X 4	WON	3-1	89-46
19TH MAY	SOUTHEND	T X4	WON	2-2	62-55
26TH MAY	HOCKLEY	TX4	WON	2-2	69-58
1ST JUNE	EASTWOOD	TX3	WON	2-1	51-38
8TH JUNE	WHITE HALL	TX4	WON	3-1	70-42
15TH JUNE	CASTLE POINT	TX4	LOST	0-4	52-75
23RD JUNE	THORPE BAY	RX4	LOST	2-2	49-59
30TH JUNE	ROCHFORD	TX4	WON	4-0	101-52
7TH JULY	BOURNEMOUTH P.	TX3	WON	1-2	44-43
14TH JULY	ESSEX COUNTY	TX4	WON	3-1	62-59
21ST JULY	CHALKWELL	TX3	LOST	1-2	37-54
27TH JULY	PRITTEWELL	TX3	LOST	0-3	33-53
3RD AUGUST	SOUTH BENFLEET	TX4	WON	1.5-2-5	57-53
10TH AUGUST	BELFAIRS	TX4	WON	4-0	75-43
18TH AUGUST	GT.WAKERING	TX3	WON	3-0	66-25
24TH AUGUST	HADLEIGH	TX4	WON	2.5-1.5	69-63
31ST AUGUST	SHOEBURY	TX3	WON	3-0	73-36
7TH SEPT.	RAYLEIGH	TX4	WON	3-1	78-47
14THSEPT.	SOUTHCHURCH	TX4	WON	3-1	72-45
22ND SEPT.	BOURNEMOUTH P.	TX3	LOST	1-2	41-49

This year, with Chris Sorrell's help, I managed at long last to arrange a fixture with Castle Point. They put out a strong side against us which resulted in us being humbled 0-4. Hopefully we can correct that next year.

Match reports on all fixtures have already been sent out to members, so I will not repeat. However, to summarise, matches where we lost last year (Fair Wood, Eastwood, Rochford, Shoebury, Southchurch) were all won this year. Similar to 2021 we again won one and lost won to Bournemouth Park. Those lost this year were at Castle Point, Thorpe Bay, Chalkwell, Prittlewell and Bournemouth Park. Looking to overturn these next season.

During the season, a total of 32 of our membership represented us in fixtures, some playing a single game, others a majority of fixtures. We again fielded full sides in all fixtures, many thanks to those agreeing to fill in when call offs occurred. Having attended 19 of the season's 20 games, I think I should highlight, in particular, the strong level of performances by Alan Worsdale, Gail Innes and Brian Smith throughout the season.

I was delighted to see a number of new members play this year, including Gary Packer, Mo Moody and Ben Amos. Ben is currently still at the School but is keen to play during the School summer holidays. He is an exciting prospect. Welcome to each of them, here's looking forward to seeing them play for many years. Also, delighted to see Mike Dunstan back playing after the ending of Covid restrictions.

During the season we learnt of the sad deaths of Ron Windebank and Roly Cross, both of whom had retired from playing for us. Sad to see their passing.

Martin Harvey has again agreed to organise indoor fixtures for the winter and interest in playing has pleasingly increased. Next season's fixtures will be resolved over the next month or so; 20 fixtures are, I believe, the maximum we can play. Details will be sent out in the New Year.

Once again, my grateful thanks to all those who have played over the summer and given me and the Circle their whole hearted support, resulting in another successful season and considerable positivity going forward.

Trevor Johnson, Match Secretary (Troy, 1956-1963)

Agenda Item 6.2 – Golf Circle Report

Thankfully, we were able to play a full season's golf this year without any COVID restrictions. The only casualty was Guest Day which had to be cancelled due to a lack of support. This being so, Guest Day for 2023 will have a different format which, hopefully, will attract more participants. However, the other events were very well supported with a lot of good golf being played.

Spring Meeting at Warley Park - winner Garry Clark
Summer Meeting at Chigwell - winner Malcolm Price
Autumn Meeting at Burnham on Crouch - winner Jim Harrington
Mac Price player of the Year - Steve Clarke
Golfing Cock House - Tuscany

A 4 day, 4 course tour to Brighton (won by Brant Chapman) was enjoyed by 14 players even though the weather was not at its best. My personal thanks go to Circle Captain Jim Harrington and to John Blackmore for his valuable assistance. If the thought of playing golf and socializing with former School friends, with new friends or just enjoying a golf day out, please contact me direct on gwinckless@gmail.com and all new members will be warmly welcomed.

Graham Winckless (Athens, 1963 – 1970)

Agenda Item 6.3 – Organ Society Report

The Old Southendian Organ Society continues to support the school and raise the profile of the organ amongst the School community, with Old Southendians, around the local area, and beyond.

The last year has remained a challenge, though gradually a sense of normality has returned to the music and events industry. Throughout, we have remained committed to supporting the student organists, who continue to be nurtured and well trained by Warren Symes at the School. At the same time, we have been able to keep up the regular cycle of maintenance and tuning of the organ, which is vital to keep it sounding at its best and working well into the future.

Our "Concert for Remembrance" in November 2021 brought musicians and audience together in person, with a combination of student, staff and Old Southendian performers creating a variety of music. Clarinet, piano and saxophone soloists were interspersed by music on the War Memorial Organ and a reading of "High Flight". It was a welcome chance to gather in the School again, ahead of the difficulties of the winter as COVID set in.

We are grateful to departing student, Harsh Mehta, for sharing his thoughts on the process of learning and composing for the organ, alongside a summary of his time as School Organist. Read Harsh's report on our website under the "News" section: www.osos.org.uk.

Looking ahead, we are pleased to be putting on another "Concert for Remembrance" shortly on Friday 11th November 2022, 7:30pm to 8:30pm at the School. We would be pleased to welcome you to enjoy a varied programme. Tickets will be available on the door or do reserve yours in advance at www.osos.org.uk/events.

Next year marks the centenary of the organ: we invite you to join us to celebrate this milestone as we showcase the organ as a solo instrument and for accompaniment, and across a variety of styles from choral to light music over a series of six major concerts. Further details will follow on our wider plans for the year soon, but please do save the dates of the first four concerts in the series:

- Adrian Lucas (OSOS President, Tuscany 1972-1979) performs the opening recital: Saturday 25th February 2023
- A Southendian Showcase: Saturday 22nd April 2023
- Choir & Organ with Cantate & Gaudeamus: Saturday 27th May 2023
- John Dixon (Tuscany, 1968-1975) plays a concert of his own compositions: Saturday 22nd July 2023

We express our thanks to the School for its continued support, to our donors and members for their essential and valuable contributions, and to everyone who follows our work and attends our events. Your enthusiasm and interest ensure we may further the opportunities for the next generation of organists on our magnificent instrument.

Joseph Zammit (Tuscany, 2004-2011)

Publicity and Communications, The Old Southendian Organ Society

www.osos.org.uk