ICAEW Humberside & District 2022 Annual Report

The members of the committee have pleasure in presenting the 96th annual report and financial statements of the Society, covering the year ended 31st December 2022

OBJECTIVES

The primary objectives of the Society are:

- To meet the local needs of members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, including continuing professional education and social events.
- To facilitate communications between the Institute and its members. •
- To represent and promote the profession locally.

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship of the Society is vested in a team of office holders and volunteers who make up the main committee, to achieve the Society's spread of objectives.

The current members of the committee and their principal areas of interest are set out below, these members shall hold office until Wednesday 24th May 2023 Annual General Meeting.

Office Holders	
President	Christopher Driver
Deputy President	Sophie Holmes
Treasurer	Ian Pounder
Honorary Secretary & Council Member	Peter Duffield
H&DCASS Chair	James Humble

INSTITUTE SUPPORT

Institute support to help the Society achieve its objectives is provided by Dale Kay Daley (Regional Executive) and Dr James Callaghan (Regional Director, Northern, Yorkshire and Humber).

MEMBERSHIP

Fifteen newly qualified members joined the Society in 2022, and we continue to build upon our number of student members working in diverse organisations and in all sectors across the region.

Membership of ICAEW Humberside & District Society (H&DSCA) and Humberside & District Chartered Accountants Student Society (H&DCASS) now stands at 1,116 in total, as of March 2023.

District Society Activities

Excluding committee meetings, twenty-five events were staged by the Humberside Society for the benefit of members during 2022.

The Annual Dinner was held in April at the Minster and attracted over 150 guests including members and their clients along with six visiting District Society Presidents. The evening was a great success of fine dining and entertainment, culminating in a piano sonata to compliment the beautiful surroundings of the 13th Century gothic hall.

Strengthening trust in the profession was our focus in May, as the Society hosted a roundtable discussion and film screening of the latest HMRC All too familiar film.

In the summer, the Society scripted and launched an Emerging Leaders Academy, focusing on social literacy and personal career development which was followed with a series of networking lunches for attendees and key note speakers. The successful program was given over to the ICAEW West Yorkshire and South Wales societies to help support their local ICAEW young professionals. Further activities for young members continued with a mini golf event, and several social evenings held in collaboration with the Hull Young Professionals Network.

Summer also saw the first of the ICAEW Humberside Past Presidents lunches, which was well attended and received, and gave those previously serving in the role of President an opportunity to meet up and discuss the plans for future activities.

Former ICAEW Humberside Vice President Yii Foong Tien hosted Annie Curie of KPMG with crucial tips and advice on ESG reporting matters in July as we continued to lead on the successful *Driving Sustainable Development in the North* campaign on behalf on the wider region. In 2023, the format shall alter slightly replacing the interview sessions with a trilogy of virtual group meetings focusing on sustainability insights, as we look to encourage our members to discuss their shared experiences and best practice.

In August the President hosted a summer BBQ for members and student society members The annual golf day was back in September, with the usual rivalry of the North and South bank trophies up for grabs.

Three complimentary lunches were held throughout the year and attended by the District Society President giving members an opportunity to hear the latest Institute news and feed into the activity plans for the 2022/23 district society program.

November saw our local members take to the national platform, as ICAEW held its first ever regional economic summit to launch its business confidence monitor. Featuring the Chief Economist from the Bank of England Huw Pill and Ian Dixon FCA, Finance Director of Smart Technology Advisers, the event attracted over five hundred attendees and over two hundred press articles and will become a regular feature of the future regional program.

The Society increased the number of pan regional events hosted throughout the year, continuing to build upon the collaboration with our sister district societies across the North East, Yorkshire, and Humber (NYH) regions. The program of activities included a virtual legal series, sessions delivered by expert speakers on menopause, our established program of bitesize business breakfasts and virtual interviews with women in leadership roles. Retired and Lifetime member events were also held collaboratively, including a guided tour of the Yorkshire Air Museum at Elvington.

Recognising the importance of trainees to the future of our profession, the Society continued to provide a comprehensive programme of CPD with an expanded programme of blended learning, incorporating virtual and face to face training bolstered by ICAEW online *Essentials* CPD program.

FINANCIAL OUTCOME

The financial statements for 2022 show a deficit for the year of £6,229: (2021, surplus £600) Reserves now stand at £19,076: (2021, £25,305)

THE FUTURE

At the Annual General Meeting of the ICAEW Humberside & District Society, taking place on Wednesday 24th May 2023, a vote on the future of the District Society will be made, as to whether we integrate and align more closely with the ICAEW. An outline of the proposal can be found <u>here</u> and on the ICAEW Humberside & District Society webpage.

We shall also be looking to increase our volunteer committee at the AGM, as we constantly try to diversify our volunteer support and strive to represent all of our members at all stages of their career. If you have a little spare time on your hands, there are many benefits to getting involved with your district society.

The Society will continue in its commitment to support members by providing local relevant activities and events, together with ongoing promotion of both the ICAEW and the ICAEW Humberside & District Society.

Finally, this is my last report as Honorary Secretary because I shall be stepping down from the post, and the General committee, after the AGM. I'd like to thank all of the committee members with whom I've worked since taking on the role more than twenty years ago and to wish the Society all the very best for the future.

I shall also be stepping down as ICAEW Council Member for the Humberside region and thank David Brigham for taking on that role from June this year.

Should you require any guidance, advice or have any suggestions for future activities, please telephone the District Office on (0) 113 322 0874 or email <u>dale.daley@icaew.com</u>

For and on behalf of the Main Committee of The Humberside & District Society of Chartered Accountants

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