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Donor Report 2017/18

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£698,814

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£811,386

Legacies



£2,337,745

New Funds Raised

920

Donors

As we bid farewell to Sir Martin Taylor after eight years of happy wardenship and prepare to welcome Professor Irene Tracey (1985) as his successor, Merton is in good heart and grateful as ever to our many friends and supporters. Your generosity continues to lend vital sustenance to the College's efforts in research and teaching and to our life as a community.

One landmark has been the formal establishment of the Braam Family Bequest. This legacy by Dr Peter Braam (1987), who came to the College as a Junior Research Fellow, will support research into the most pressing problems confronting humankind for generations to come. Its anchoring in the College is designed both to ensure its longevity and to give future Junior Research Fellows the freedom of manoeuvre necessary to tackle challenges we cannot yet envisage. Meanwhile Sir Howard (1961) and Lady Stringer, generous benefactors over the years, have made a significant donation in respect of the future endowment of another fellowship at the College.

Support for students takes many forms. We give undergraduate bursaries, graduate scholarships and grants to those in sudden difficulties; we provide facilities for sport, music and other activities; we endow fellowships to protect tutorial teaching. Presently fundraising is gathering momentum to endow a graduate scholarship in memory of my fondly remembered predecessor as History tutor, Dr Roger Highfield, and for support for tutorial teaching in Physics in tribute to Professor Michael Baker's long and distinguished leadership of the Merton Physics team. Both Roger Highfield and Michael Baker left significant legacies to the College, as did Gerald Winzer (1947) and Kenneth McLaughlin (1953). Even tutors admit that students benefit from experiences outside the tutorial, library or laboratory, and we are grateful

to Sir Gerry Grimstone (1968) for his pledge to continue his generous support of the student travel grants for a further four years.

The Choir continues to excel, and we are delighted that the Reed Foundation and Reed Rubin (1957) have made a further grant towards the Choral Foundation this year. Chapel services will be more widely heard thanks to Professor Cheyney and Dr Sandy Ryan, who have funded the installation of webcasting facilities. The Library's historic collections have also been enhanced by MC3's grant towards the restoration of the early *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society* in honour of the retiring Warden.

Donations large and small have contributed to this year's totals of more than £2.3 million in new funds raised and £2.5 million in cash received, and a wide range of Mertonians have given the College almost £700,000 in support of diverse activities through the Merton Fund. We have had the opportunity to thank our donors in various ways, with a well-attended meeting of the Founder's Society and a Benefactors' Event at the Divinity School in June 2018, the latter linked to the concert that marked Sir Martin's retirement. In November four new shields were installed in the Hall to honour the extraordinary generosity of Sir Howard Stringer (1961), Francis Finlay (1962), John Booth (1976) and Charles Manby (1976).

As Acting Warden, I am enjoying meeting Mertonians of many generations and I am struck by your affection and support for the College. If I do not have the chance to thank you in person before the end of my year in office, please accept my thanks on behalf of all of us working and studying here, some of whom you will meet in the pages of this report.

Professor Steven Gunn
(Acting Warden, 1979)



49

of Merton's undergraduates
receive a Merton-Oxford Bursary


£3,700

value of a full Merton-Oxford
Bursary each year

Creating life-changing opportunities

Merton is committed to ensuring that talented individuals from all backgrounds can access an Oxford education. With the continued rise in the cost of university education, the College is concerned that excellent students could be deterred from applying or coming to Merton due to a lack of funds or concerns about future personal debt.

Created with the support of alumni and friends, the Merton-Oxford Bursaries are crucial in addressing this challenge head on. The bursaries provide financial support to undergraduates whose overall household income is less than £42,876 per year, and they operate on a sliding scale, so that those who are most in need receive the highest levels of support.



Frank Nightingale

Frank Nightingale (2017, MChem Chemistry) told us about how his Sir Howard Stringer Merton-Oxford Bursary helped him to come to Merton and to make the most of his time at College.

'Few students from my school went on to study at Oxford or Cambridge. I was fortunate that my teachers encouraged me to apply and that I was able to take part in the UNIQ summer school at Oxford. This is when I was introduced to Merton: I was struck by its beauty and stellar academic reputation.'

UNIQ is a programme for gifted state school students, enabling them to stay in Oxford for five days and experience what it is like to study at the University. Alongside UNIQ, the Merton-Oxford Bursary was vital in encouraging Frank to consider applying to the College.

'Without support from the bursary, I would not have been able to afford to come and study at Merton – plain and simple. I am very thankful to all Mertonians who helped establish the bursary that provided me with the opportunity to be here and immerse myself in the study of Chemistry, which I am incredibly passionate about.'

The Merton-Oxford Bursary helps students pay for accommodation, food, textbooks and other essential costs. It reduces immediate financial worries and allows students to focus on their studies. Other support is also available at Merton for individuals who experience a sudden change in their financial circumstances or for those who have further academic needs, such as travel for language learning and fieldwork.

'If I didn't have such a strong level of support from the College, I would have had to take on paid work during the vacations to fund my living costs during term. This would have severely reduced the time I had for preparing for exams and getting to the heart of my subject.'

'I am proud to say that I have received a number of prizes for results during exams and collections, and last summer I was able to do a fascinating research placement at the Oxford Inorganic Chemistry Lab. I explored how the crystal sizes of metal-organic frameworks can be tuned through their synthesis conditions, which could have applications in drug delivery and capturing pollutant gases to prevent emissions. Without the bursary, it is hard to imagine that I could have taken advantage of this opportunity.'

'I'm really interested in the impact that Chemistry can have on medicine, particularly in dealing with antibiotic resistance and diseases like cancer and Alzheimer's. After my degree, I would love to do a DPhil and embark on a career in research that will make a positive impact and give back to society.'

A photograph of two men in a library setting. The man on the left, wearing glasses and a grey sweater, is gesturing with his hands while speaking. The man on the right, wearing a blue sweater, is listening attentively. They are both looking at a document on a table. The background is filled with bookshelves containing many books.

Safeguarding the Tutorial System

Tutorials are at the heart of Merton's academic excellence, and the cornerstone of many students' experience of studying at Oxford. One of the many lasting legacies of the 750th Anniversary campaign is the endowment of a number of Tutorial Fellowships at Merton across subjects as diverse as Chemistry, Economics, History and Music. The endowment of further Tutorial Fellowships remains a key priority, with work underway to establish a Tutorial Fellowship in Physics in memory of Professor Michael Baker.

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Tutorial Fellowships endowed through the generosity of Mertonians

£9,000

the approximate shortfall between income from tuition fees and the real cost of tutorial teaching

Tom Murphy

To understand more fully the value of the Tutorial System at Merton, we spoke to Tom Murphy (2016, BA History) about how it has allowed him to dig down into his particular interests with world-renowned experts in the field.

'Before I even came to Oxford, it was the tutors that convinced me I had to apply. The prospect of being tutored by someone like Professor Eugene Rogan (Director of the Middle East Centre, St Anthony's) was incredible, given I was already very keen on Middle Eastern history. I knew that it was only in a tutorial setting that I would have the opportunity to explore those interests fully. Moreover, being able to study with the eminent historians at Merton, such as Dr Matthew Grimley, guaranteed that I would benefit from a world-class education when I took units like "Theories of State" in my first year.'

Dr Matthew Grimley (1989) is the current postholder of the Mark Reynolds Fellowship in History, endowed at Merton through the generosity of Mertonians to safeguard the teaching of History at the College. Two of the three History Fellowships at Merton have been endowed thanks to the support of the Mertonian community.

'The depth of analysis and teaching available to me in tutorials is something that I just couldn't get from lectures and classwork alone. It's invaluable to be part of an environment where you can talk through your ideas with people who are not only genuine experts, but are also sincerely interested in what you think and will challenge you on how you've come to those conclusions.'

'Doing my further subject course, "History of the Modern Middle East", allowed me to take lectures by Eugene while being tutored by Professor James McDougall, another expert in the field. My work with him was key in developing my thesis, for which he is my supervisor, looking at relationships between the British government and British individuals working in the Middle East.'

Tutorial Fellowships ensure that students at Merton are in regular contact with senior academics who, in other institutions, simply would not have the time or resources to deliver almost one-to-one teaching alongside their research. The variety of specialisms present within Oxford also allows students like Tom to pursue exactly what they are interested in, and forge a degree that is tailored specifically to them.

'My friends and I worked it out on a whiteboard in our first year. Because of the near-endless combination of tutorials that you can take as a historian, there are more possible combinations within a History degree at Oxford than there have been History students here in decades. That level of variety paired with expertise is possible only because of the Tutorial System.'



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members of the MCR

£15,000

average annual cost of living
in Oxford for graduates

Supporting exceptional graduates

The provision of an increased number of graduate scholarships is a key priority for Merton in the coming years. We are currently seeking to endow a Graduate Scholarship in History through philanthropy in memory of Dr Roger Highfield, former Tutor in History, and will continue to seek further support to ensure that every graduate student who secures a place at Merton is able to take up their place and make the most of the unique opportunities that Oxford can offer.

Carla Groenland

We spoke to Carla Groenland (2017, DPhil Mathematics) about her experience at Merton and how being the recipient of the Tira Wannamethee Graduate Scholarship allowed her to pursue her research.

'I took my undergraduate degree in Amsterdam, my master's in Cambridge, and a second master's back in Amsterdam in a different area – working in artificial intelligence. As I began to narrow down my field of study, I realised that I wanted to be in Oxford. I work in extremal combinatorics and graph theory, an area for which Oxford has a strong reputation, and was particularly interested in working with Professor Alex Scott, one of the Mathematics Fellows at Merton, as my supervisor.'

After receiving the offer of a place at Merton, many graduates must immediately turn their attention to funding. The College offers an increasing number



of graduate scholarships each year, many of which are available only because of the generous support of the Mertonian community. However, applying for scholarships is a very competitive process and sufficient funding cannot always be secured.

'I had not fully realised that funding was not guaranteed at doctoral level when I was offered my place. That must be a huge deterrent to many researchers at this stage; applying to Oxford is already quite scary, and if you feel like you only have a small chance of securing the funding you need then you might not even begin to apply. The Graduate Scholarship from Merton gave me financial peace of mind and allowed me to focus on taking my research to the next level.

'I love being here in Oxford. The culture at both the Mathematics department and Merton is amazing and I have met many very interesting people and had a lot of fun. I appreciate how everyone is very interested in what they are doing, yet there are many opportunities to explore non-academic interests as well. In my free

time, I have been playing ultimate frisbee (we beat the Cambridge first women's team in the Varsity match) and football for Merton. I love Merton's gardens and have been making use of the opportunity to work there or in the MCR. I have also been showing off Merton's guest nights and formals to my non-Merton friends.

'My DPhil has been progressing well and I am now well into my second year. I have submitted four joint papers, and we are currently writing up another. Thanks to my scholarship I have been able to attend several conferences, both in the UK and abroad, which have allowed me to meet many people from my field and have given me the opportunity to present some of my own work to my peers.

'Although it's a long way off, I'm also thinking about what I will do when my DPhil comes to an end. I'm reassessing whether I want to stay in academia or go into industry. And I might also like to do some more extracurricular activities, like taking up a committee position, to make the most of my time at Merton.'

Connecting Mertonians



Paris Jagers

Paris Jagers (2016, Biological Sciences) talked with Mertonians from all walks of life as part of the 2018 Telephone Campaign, during which she worked as one of Merton's team of student callers. We spoke to Paris about how she found the experience and how it affected her understanding of philanthropy at the College.

'Telethon was a brilliant experience to have, especially as I wasn't hugely confident on the phone beforehand. But having such interesting conversations with alumni around the world helped me to get over the initial nerves, and it was really fun to share that experience with the whole team.

'I spoke to such a range of alumni; those who had done the same subject as me, or had studied something completely different. It gave me a real insight into what's changed at Merton over the years – not least the admission of women – and what's stayed exactly the same. It was fascinating to hear what people had gone on to do, and how their time at Merton had shaped that. I realised that after studying at Merton, you really can go on to do whatever you want – people have had such diverse careers from the same starting point.

'I think there were three conversations that really stood out to me. The first was when I got through to a prominent geneticist who had made incredible strides in his field. We spoke for over an hour, and he told me all about his experiences at Merton – where he lived, what he got up to with his friends, and his career as a scientist. It was an amazing opportunity for me to speak to someone whose work has influenced my own studies that I would not otherwise have had.

'I also spoke to a recent graduate who had also done biology. She was so friendly, and it was great to be able to relax and talk about all the fun stuff about Merton that

was still fresh in her mind. It was also interesting to see where a recent Biology graduate's career was taking her; she was conducting research for nature documentaries alongside her work in animal research. It was heartening to hear about the variety of options that might be open to me when I graduate.

'The last conversation that really sticks out is one that I found really touching. I spoke to a Mertonian who studied Law, and now had a family and a job in the City. She was telling me that when she was at Merton, the group of lawyers was quite small – no more than five or six of them – and that they were all really close. They're all still best friends and they meet up all the time even though they're spread all over the country. It reminded me how lucky I was to be part of such a tight-knit community, the same that this Mertonian had found her lifelong friends in.

'And, of course, part of my role was to ask people to make a gift to the Merton Fund, and that was new for me. But you go through so much preparation, it sets you at ease. The response was fantastic; so many people I spoke to were happy to get involved, and I found that because I could talk about what I found important, because I believed what I was saying, that made everything a lot easier. Like the fact that I received a Merton-Oxford Bursary in my first year. At the time, I hadn't realised that the bursary was available because of the generosity of Mertonians. That really brought everything full circle for me.'

Telethons
at Merton
over the past
five years

2,622
conversations

1,488
Mertonians making a gift

£750k
given

A woman with short, wavy grey hair and blue eyes is looking upwards and to the right. She is wearing a black turtleneck sweater. Her right hand is raised to her forehead. The background is a library with tall wooden bookshelves filled with books. The lighting is warm and focused on the woman's face.

150+

alumni and friends are **leaving a gift**
to the College in their will

30s–90s

age range of our legators

Remembering Merton

Christen Pears

Merton has benefited enormously from the generosity of alumni and friends who have made gifts to the College in their wills. Legacy donations of all sizes help us to support students in need and preserve the exceptionally high quality of a Merton education. We are hugely grateful to our growing community of legators, now numbering over 150 individuals from a wide range of matriculation years. We spoke to Christen Pears (1994, BA Modern History) about her time at Merton and her fascinating career – and why she has decided to leave a gift to the College in her will.

What brought you to Merton?

Pure luck! I didn't know much about Oxford, but my history teacher at school had been at St Hilda's. Since I was very interested in Tudor history, she encouraged me to apply to Merton and study under Professor Steven Gunn.

What are your favourite memories of the College?

My favourite memories are from third year, when I lived in Mob Quad, overlooking the tree on Chestnut Lawn. I had a brilliant group of friends, met famous historians and thoroughly enjoyed the traditional History reading party in Cornwall.

Did you have a particular mentor or role model at Merton?

It's hard to pick one person. I had absolutely fantastic tutors, but I also learned a lot from my peers.

Are you still in contact with people from Merton?

Not as much as I would like. I saw quite a few people at the Gaudy, but as I live in Cornwall, it can take a while to get to London and Oxford, where most gatherings are held. I'm in touch with Mertonians through social media though, and I'm quite active in the Cornwall Oxford Association.

If you are interested in leaving a legacy to Merton, the Development Office would be delighted to hear from you, discuss your plans, and explore how you might be able to make a difference. You can get in touch by calling **+44(0)1865 286314** or emailing **development@merton.ox.ac.uk**.

What did you do when you graduated?

I went to journalism school for one year and then spent the next decade working as a journalist.

How did you make the transition to working in fitness?

This was also a stroke of luck! I was working as the Managing Editor of a news website, and I began to experience a lot of back pain. Someone suggested that I try Pilates, and it made a huge difference. Soon after, I moved to Australia and was inspired to change careers. The health and fitness sector is growing massively and it's important to find your niche and get the best possible training. My specialism is working with older people and those who have diabetes or heart disease.

What influence did Merton have on your career?

It taught me to be disciplined, which is invaluable in both journalism and fitness. It also taught me to be an independent thinker, to be curious and not to be afraid to try something different.

Was there a particular moment or experience that inspired you to plan a gift in your will to Merton?

As the first person in my family to go to university, I was always conscious of how lucky I was to be at Merton. I was at one of the 750th Anniversary events, and I heard the Warden say that he hoped Mertonians would remember their experience at the College as a 'golden time'. That really resonated with me, and I was moved both to make a monthly donation and to pledge a gift in my will.

What do you enjoy most about giving to the College?

It is hugely satisfying to know that I am helping students today to have the same wonderful opportunities that I had. I'm very keen for Merton to stay at the forefront of higher education, and donations are essential for that.

What is your advice to anyone thinking of leaving a legacy to Merton?

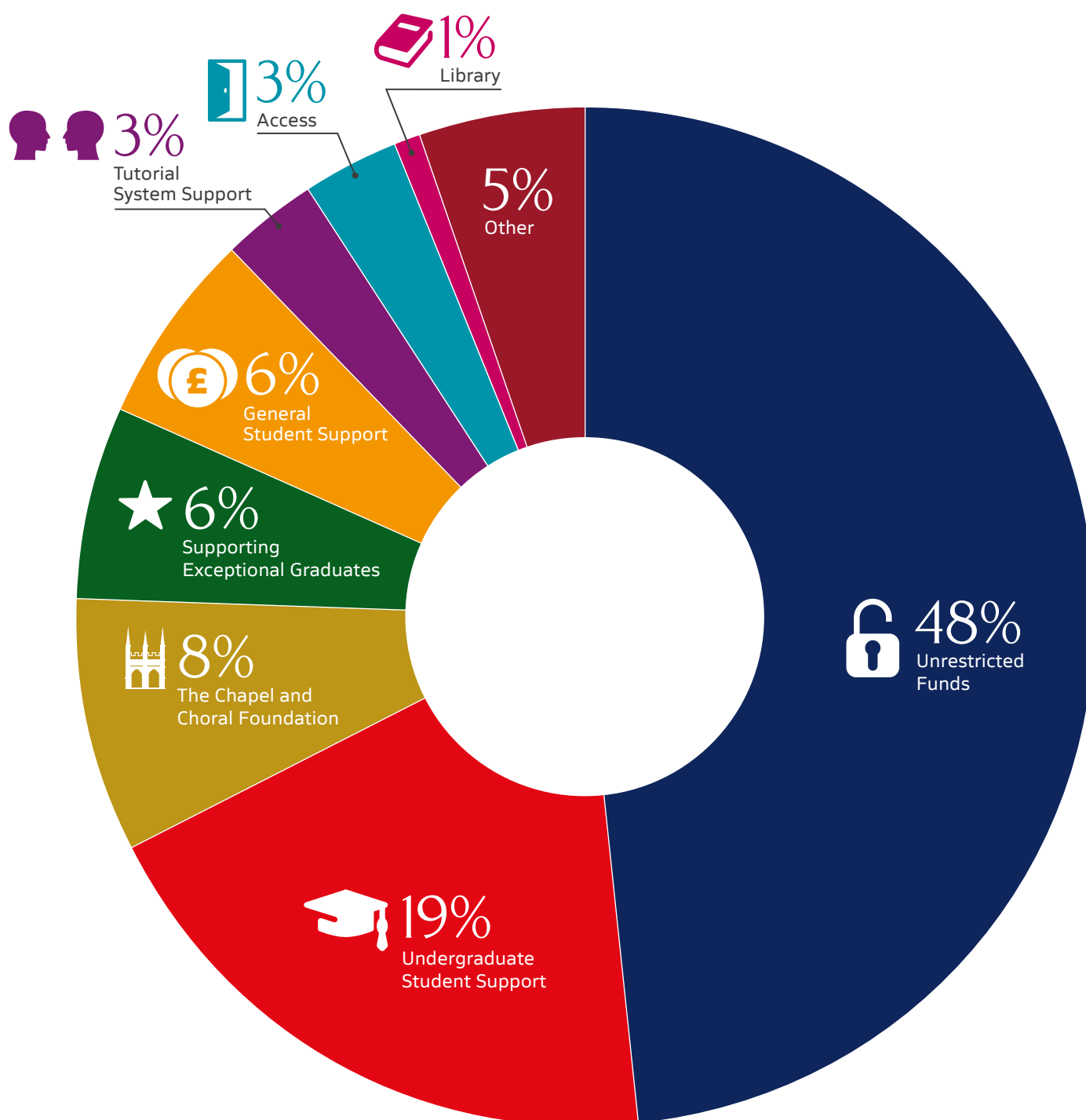
I would encourage you to remind yourself of the experience you had at the College and think about how you might want to help future generations of students. Then, contact the Merton Development Office to have a chat about your ideas.

Finally, if you could suggest one thing that everyone could do to benefit themselves, what would it be?

People these days have very busy lifestyles, and it is easy to neglect your health. I would suggest putting aside some time for fitness every day, whether that is going to the gym or playing football with your kids. You don't have to do a lot, but it should be consistent and, most importantly, fun!

Your Gifts at Work

Philanthropic support from the Mertonian community has a tremendous impact on every aspect of life at Merton today. In 2017/18, your gifts totalling £2,337,745 were directed to the following areas:



Thank you

We would like to thank all the supporters of Merton College over the past year. Your donations have a huge impact on every area of College life – from safeguarding tutorial teaching, providing essential student support and creating new opportunities for graduate students, to preserving the College and its collections.

We hope that the articles and profiles in the preceding pages have given you an insight into the impact of your support for Merton.

The Warden, Fellows and students of Merton are delighted to recognise each of the College's supporters in the following pages. We thank you all, sincerely, for the support you have shown Merton this year.

Benefactions Committee Report

The Committee, which was formed in July 2012, presents its report to the College's benefactors for the fiscal year to 31 July 2018. The Committee comprises Tim Morrison (1972) (Chair), William Watson (1980) and Caroline Doan (1997). Meetings are attended by the Finance Bursar and the Development Director.

In the past year, we have received information from the Warden about the College's strategic review and the consequential current spending priorities. We have obtained certain information relating to the College's control of and accounting for the receipt, investment and disbursement of benefactions (both restricted and unrestricted), and have discussed these matters with the Development Director, the Finance Bursar, the College Accountant and the external auditors. Because Merton College Charitable Corporation (MC3), which is incorporated

in the USA, is a charity independent of the College, we have performed no work in respect of benefactions received by MC3 until they have been transferred by MC3 to the College. We have also reviewed, on a sample basis, a small number of benefactions received by the College (both restricted and unrestricted) to satisfy ourselves that, in each case selected, the relevant funds have been properly recorded to enable disbursements to be made in accordance with the donor's wishes.

On the basis of the work we have performed, we confirm that nothing has come to our attention which casts doubt on the way in which the receipt, investment and disbursement of benefactions have been controlled and accounted for by the College during the year ended 31 July 2018.

Tim Morrison (1972)
Chairman, Benefactions Committee

Donors recognised by the University

The Chancellor's Court of Benefactors and the Vice-Chancellor's Circle recognise individuals, foundations and corporate benefactors who have provided significant and generous support to the collegiate University.

We are immensely proud of the following Mertonians who have been recognised in this way for their generosity.

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(HF)	Honorary Fellow	(VRF)	Visiting Research Fellow	(ExV)	Former Visiting Research Fellow	🏡 1264 Society
(BF)	Bodley Fellow	(L)	Lecturer	(ExL)	Former Lecturer	👑 Loyal donor (has given continuously for 5 years)
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(EF)	Emeritus Fellow					

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We would like to thank and recognise the lifelong generosity of the following major benefactors of Merton College. We are especially grateful to the Honorary, Bodley and Wyliot Fellows whose names appear below for their exceptional and strategic philanthropic commitments to Merton.

All new benefactors, or those who have moved levels since the last *Donor Report*, are [highlighted in blue](#).

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£500,000 AND ABOVE)

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