

DURBAR AVENUE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the Financial Statements of the Church for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Reference and Administrative Details

The church is a Registered Charity no. 500200. The full title of the charity is: Durbar Avenue Evangelical Church. The address is: Durbar Avenue, Coventry, CV6 5LU.

The charity trustees for the purpose of these accounts comprise the Pastor & other officers of the church. The trustees during the year were as follows:

Mr Martyn Owens

Mr Kerry Cook

Mrs Carol Norman (resigned 1/4/22)

Mr Mark Norman (resigned 1/4/22)

Structure, Governance and Management

The Church is constituted as an independent church, and the governing document is a Trust Deed. The Pastor and Church officers are elected by the Church Meeting, and are responsible for leadership of the church.

Objectives and Activities

The Church's aims are to spread the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and to edify the congregation through the preaching and teaching of the Word of God, the circulation of good Christian literature, and the support of missionary endeavour at home and abroad.

Achievements and Performance

Sunday Services

Prior to the lockdown, we held 2 services every Sunday; one at 11.00 AM, with a creche available for any babies or toddlers if parents wished to use this facility. The other service was at 4.00 PM in the afternoon and we had refreshments in the church hall after the service where all were welcome to stay and enjoy a chat and get to know one another over a cake or biscuit and a cup of tea or coffee. We were able to resume all our services as restrictions eased, but continue to broadcast the morning service privately on YouTube and our church website: this has proven most helpful to those who are ill or looking after loved ones and cannot make it to the church, as well as a number of Christians around the country who find themselves without a local church to attend.

We are a small church and on average have approximately 20-30 people attending morning services and in the afternoon we have around 15-20 regularly. Our services are fairly traditional with classical hymns and modern worship songs along with preaching from the

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Word of God. Being in quite a multicultural part of a multicultural city, our church too is quite multicultural in its makeup with attendees having ethnic backgrounds from three different continents at least!

Prayer Meetings

Prior to lockdown, on Thursday evenings at 8.00 pm we had a prayer meeting which was open for anyone to come along to. This has resumed with the easing of restrictions too, with an average of 15-20 people attending. We had held our prayer meeting on Zoom when we were unable to meet face-to-face, and continue to do so in a sort of hybrid meeting. Those who are unable to attend do so on Zoom. This is a time of great blessing when we can lift one another up, along with the worldwide church, our families, the community, and the wider world up to the Lord in prayer. We encourage the congregation to inform us of any prayer needs even if they can't join the meeting themselves. Prayer is a huge part of our church and underpins everything we do.

Youth Meetings

We held a Family Fun Day as a church, which is a few hours of activities for kids accompanied by parents or caretakers. A number of games were set up around the church car park which awarded tickets to be exchanged for prizes, along with a refreshment table. In the centre was a story tent where every so often everyone gathered to hear a story from the Bible followed by a quiz. It was a great hit, particularly with children from the neighbourhood.

We then relaunched our youth meetings which hadn't taken place during lockdown as the 'Friday Flock'. This has proven to be a very popular meeting for the children of the neighbourhood who enthusiastically attend and often bring friends along. It begins with some songs and a Bible story followed by a team quiz, and then games and refreshments. We are very encouraged to be having this sort of impact on our neighbourhood.

Missionary Organisations

As a church we are committed to support several Missionary organisations around the world. In 2021 the organisations and missionaries that we sent donations to were: FEBA Radio, MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship), ReachAcross, Good News (formerly Gideons), Platform 67, Foundation Matters and a missionary in India that we support. Each of these organisations is committed to spreading the good news of the gospel, which is our commission. If you want to find out more about these organisations, you can visit their websites where they explain their work.

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Achievements and Performance (cont.)

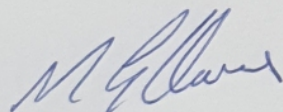
In carrying out its activities in the year under review, the Trustees have had regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission, and are satisfied that the activities mentioned above have all been for the public benefit.

Financial Review

Funds were used to pay the Pastor's fees, to pay for the maintenance and running of the Church, to support Missionary organisations, to provide literature and to fund various outreach activities. As shown in the Receipts and Payments Account on page 4, there was a net inflow of resources of approximately £4,200 (2020: outflow £25,900). Income was down slightly compared with 2020, but expenditure was significantly lower, following the substantial refurbishment costs of the earlier year. Overall the state of affairs of the Church is considered to be satisfactory. The Trustees regularly review the reserves of the Church, to ensure that sufficient liquid funds are available to meet ongoing obligations.

On behalf of the Trustees

M Owens,
Trustee



13 September 2022

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31 DECEMBER 2021**

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

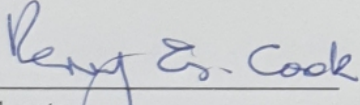
	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Receipts				
Sunday Offerings	9,841	-	9,841	7,387
Gift Aid donations (including tax refunds)	32,299	-	32,299	33,963
Gift Day and other Gifts	2,771	-	2,771	6,356
Total voluntary income	44,911	-	44,911	47,706
Investment income	7	-	7	81
Total incoming resources	44,918	-	44,918	47,787
Payments				
Pastor's salary and expenses	26,995	-	26,995	28,051
Visiting speakers	260	-	260	-
Payments to missions	6,156	-	6,156	3,708
Literature and other outreach expenses	-	-	-	61
Church building & equipment costs	5,435	-	5,435	39,447
Minibus expenses	-	-	-	847
Subscriptions	972	-	972	971
Internet expenses	257	-	257	116
Independent Examination	350	-	350	340
Miscellaneous expenses	292	-	292	145
Total Resources Expended	40,717	-	40,717	73,686
Net Receipts/(Payments)	4,201	-	4,201	(25,899)
Transfer between Funds	-	-	-	-
	4,201	-	4,201	(25,899)
Funds brought forward	69,327	-	69,327	95,226
Funds carried forward	73,528	-	73,528	69,327

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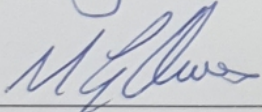
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted <u>Fund</u> £	Restricted <u>Funds</u> £	2021 Total £	2020 <u>Total</u> £
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash at Bank & in hand:				
Bank account - Easy Saver	65,169	-	65,169	67,162
Bank account	8,318	-	8,318	2,150
Cash	41	-	41	15
	<hr/> 73,528	<hr/> -	<hr/> 73,528	<hr/> 69,327
LIABILITIES				
Due within one year	(375)	-	(375)	(350)
Net Current Assets	<hr/> <hr/> 73,153	<hr/> <hr/> -	<hr/> <hr/> 73,153	<hr/> <hr/> 68,977

Approved by the trustees on 13 September 2022


Trustee

K.G. COOK.


Trustee

M G OWENS

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. Accounting policies

Accounting Convention

The Financial Statements are prepared under the Historical Cost Convention. Because the Church's income is under £250,000 the accounts are prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis, to avoid the need to comply with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

Fixed Assets

No valuation is included in the accounts in respect of the church building, as significant costs are involved in obtaining such a valuation, which are onerous compared with the additional benefit derived by the users of the accounts in assessing the trustees' stewardship of the assets.

Income & Expenditure

All sources of income are accounted for when received.
Expenditure is accounted for when payment is made.

2. Trustees and employees

One of the trustees, Mr M Owens, receives a salary for his work as the pastor of the church. The costs of this are shown in the receipts and payments account. The church employs no other staff.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF DURBAR AVENUE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 44(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 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners 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 Commissioners. 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 to 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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