

**Christian Books Dunstable
Trustees Annual Report 2021**

2021 was another challenging year with the Bookshop being closed for the first three months of the year due to the COVID-19 Pandemic – the third national lockdown. The shop re-opened to the public on 12th April but although some customers are back shopping, footfall and sales are 50% down and recovery is slow.

We are thankful for furlough payments for the three months and small business grants which were received from Central Bedfordshire Council. This made it possible to meet all financial obligations and pay all publishers and suppliers in full. A further one year roadmap for 2022 has been approved by the Trustees to help the shop navigate through the slow trading days.

Suitable protective measures were kept in place for staff and customers. Once the shop re-opened, the services of nine Volunteers has been available for cover and we are very thankful for the help and assistance they provide. Some ministry opportunities have arisen but with the restriction on numbers within the shop these have not been as frequent as pre-Pandemic days.

It was possible to hold bookstalls at two Conferences and also four Christmas bookstalls. We were able to sell all the entire stock of Christmas cards and calendars and this obviously helped towards the result of an operational profit for the year.

Brian K. Rigby.

Brian Rigby
Chairman of Trustees



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name

CHRISTIAN BOOKS DUNSTABLE

On accounts for the year ended

31st DECEMBER 2021

Charity no (if any)

801449

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

~~[[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: *Richard C Lambert*

Date: 8-4-22

Name: RICHARD C LAMBERT

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

N/A

(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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