

## **Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of "ST. IGNATIUS ELIAS JACOBITE SYRIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, BELFAST"**

I report on the accounts of "ST. IGNATIUS ELIAS JACOBITE SYRIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, BELFAST" for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 2 to 4.

### **Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

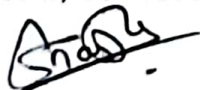
My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



**Shaji John**  
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Date: 18/01/2024

## Statement of financial activities

(01 April 2022 - 31 March 2023)

### SUMMARY OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

#### INCOMING RESOURCES

##### Incoming resources from generated funds

Voluntary income	1	£25,535.00
Income from operating activities	2	£25,848.00
Other incoming resources	3	£12,364.61
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>£63,747.61</b>

#### RESOURCES EXPENDED

##### Cost of generating funds

Diocesan parish share	4	£250.00
Management and administration	5	£32,871.36
Expenses for other activities	6	£81.20
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>£33,202.56</b>

<b>Net incoming /outgoing resources</b>		<b>£30,545.05</b>
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#### RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

<b>Total funds brought forward from previous year</b>		<b>£99,687.30</b>
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<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>£130,232.35</b>
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### Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Tangible assets	£0.00	£0.00

<b>Current assets</b>		
Sundry Debtors	£0.00	
Cash at bank and in hand	£130,232.35	£130,232.35
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Amount falling due within one year	£0.00	
Bank overdrafts	£0.00	£0.00
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>£130,232.35</b>

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<b>Funds</b>		
Restricted funds	£37,395.00	
Unrestricted funds	£92,837.35	
<b>Total funds for the charity</b>		<b>£130,232.35</b>

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<b>1. Voluntary income</b>	
Donations from members	£12,230.00
Donations from non-members	£0.00
Members subscriptions	£13,305.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£25,535.00</b>

<b>2. Income from operating activities</b>	
Offertory from services	£11,687.00
Charity collections	£1,396.00
Holy Eucharist	£2,490.00
Annual Parish Feast service	£6,127.00
Christmas Carol	£3,250.00
Other contributions	£898.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£25,848.00</b>

<b>3. Other incoming resources</b>	
Gift Aid Refund from HMRC	£12,364.61
<b>Total</b>	<b>£12,364.61</b>

<b>4. Diocesan parish share</b>	
MSOC UK Contribution	£250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£250.00</b>

<b>5. Church management and administration</b>	
Vicar expenses and travel charges	£11,913.60
Church rent	£5,152.50
Sunday school expenses	£2,633.10
Charity payments	£2,700.00
Refreshments	£6,256.16
Misc. & stationary	£846.23
Furniture & other church items	£617.99
Christmas Carol, Gifts, Donations	£2,751.78
<b>Total</b>	<b>£32,871.36</b>

<b>6. Expenses for other activities</b>	
Public liability insurance	£0.00
Bank Charges	£81.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>£81.20</b>