

# HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1008882

## Details

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Other names	HURSTWOOD CHURCH
Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	1992-02-27
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** ADVANCEMENT OF RELIGION

**Activities:** The furtherance of the Christian religion throughout the Hurstwood area & the provision of general assistance where required. Activities undertaken include: youth club, kids club, leisure classes, mums and tots group, conferences, tea room, senior citizens meals.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** HURSTWOOD AREA AND ELSEWHERE
- Lancashire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£68,264	£26,117	-	-
2024-03-31	£57,613	£34,065	-	-
2023-03-31	£91,231	£40,104	-	-
2022-03-31	£62,443	£49,156	-	-
2021-03-31	£71,431	£67,383	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Wraight		2017-08-31
DANIEL CLIFF		
EDDIE CLIFF		
MARY CLIFF		

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

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# Accounts

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**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
TRUST**

**ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025**

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025**

**OFFICERS, PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS AND REGISTERED OFFICE**

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**MANAGING TRUSTEES:** Mrs. M. Cliff  
Mr. E. Cliff  
Mr. D. Cliff  
Mr. A. Wraight

**HOLDING TRUSTEES:** Mrs. M. Cliff  
Mr. E. Cliff  
Mr. D. Cliff  
Mr. J. H. Sansom

**ADMINISTRATOR:** Mr. D. Cliff

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** Hurstwood Church,  
Hurstwood Village,  
Worsthorne,  
Burnley,  
Lancashire,  
BB10 3LG

**ACCOUNTANTS** Ashworth Moulds,  
11, Nicholas Street,  
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**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:** 1008882

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## **HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025**

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The Managing Trustees (the "Trustees") present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2025.

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

Hurstwood Christian Church Trust is a registered charity (No. 1008882). Its principal address is Hurstwood Church, Hurstwood Village, Worsthorne, Burnley, Lancashire BB10 3LG.

The present Trustees, and any past Trustees who served during the period, are given on the foregoing statement of officers, professional advisors and registered office, together with the name of the administrator and external advisors.

The title to the property is held under a freehold in the name of the Holding Trustees of Hurstwood Christian Church Trust. The names of the Holding Trustees are also given on the foregoing statement of officers, professional advisors and registered office.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

The charity is constituted as a trust and governed by its Trust Deed dated 19th February, 1992.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the overall governance of the charity. The total number of Trustees shall be not less than three but may not exceed seven. New Trustees are elected by the existing Trustees and must assent to the doctrinal basis of the trust. The Trustees meet regularly to manage the affairs of the charity.

Since the end of September 2021 the church has relied on lay preachers, many of whom belong to the church. There was also one voluntary part-time administrator who managed the day to day administration of the charity. Since January 2025 the church has employed a full-time preacher and a part-time church secretary.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The objectives of the charity are the furtherance of the Christian Religion throughout the Hurstwood area and elsewhere, and the provision of general assistance where required.

The church holds weekly Sunday morning services, and the charity provides Sunday School for children, as well as weekly youth meetings and a children's club. The charity also organises church away days and conferences for men and women, runs holiday clubs for primary school children, and hosts family games nights.

In addition, the church facilitates prayer meetings, Bible studies, a mums' and toddlers' group, Christmas meals, and the provision of a weekly tearoom. All church activities are open to the wider community and available to anyone to attend.

In planning the activities for the year the Trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at their meetings and are satisfied that the charity's objects, and the activities it carries out in pursuit of those objects, as set out above, are for the public benefit.

## HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025 (CONTINUED)

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#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The focus of the charity's activities throughout 2024 and 2025 has remained the provision of regular Sunday Services, Sunday School, Playgroup, Children's Club and Youth Club meetings, all held within its own premises. These activities support adults, children and young people in learning more about the Bible and the Christian way of life, while also providing valuable opportunities for fellowship and social interaction with their peers. The church welcomes all people, regardless of personal background, gender or personal circumstances.

In addition to these core activities, the charity provides a range of other services, including:

- a weekly tearoom offering refreshments and a welcoming space for social interaction.
- The provision of facilities for meetings of various community groups, including walking groups, other churches, and the parish council, when required.

During the year ended 31st March, 2025, the church experienced encouraging levels of attendance and participation across all activities.

#### RESERVES POLICY

All of the funds are of an unrestricted nature and are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

The charity is entirely dependent on individual donations, the level of which can fluctuate year on year. As a result, the main financial risk is a reduction in donations. The charity's policy is to hold sufficient funds to meet twelve months' operating costs, plus an additional £25,000 for any unforeseen expenditure that may occur.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

Liquid funds have risen over the last few years as there has not been a paid pastor. As of January 2025 the church decided to employ a preacher and an assistant on 12 month contracts to help fulfil the needs of the congregation and the activities in the wider community. In the future this will lead to a decrease in the level of reserves held.

As at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2025 the charity held funds of £179,379 (2024: £138,312), all of which are unrestricted.

#### APPROVAL

This Report was approved by the Board of Trustees on

30th January, 2026

and signed on their behalf:

Mary Cliff

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST  
CHARITY NUMBER 1008882**

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hurstwood Christian Church Trust ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st March, 2025 set out on pages 4 to 6.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Act and regulations made under section 154 of the Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

**M. Holmes F.C.A.  
for Ashworth Moulds  
11, Nicholas Street, Burnley, Lancashire BB11 2AL**

**30th January, 2026**

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025

	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.25	Total Unrestricted	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.24
<b>INCOME RECEIPTS</b>			
Gross Gift Aid donations	26,395	26,395	39,157
Voluntary donations from individuals (including GASDS)	17,477	17,477	18,016
Legacy Income	24,392	24,392	-
Sundry income	-	-	440
	<u>68,264</u>	<u>68,264</u>	<u>57,613</u>
Loan repayments	-	-	1,900
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	£ 68,264	68,264	59,513
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
Wages and salaries (gross)	13,519	13,519	-
Preacher expenses	300	300	300
Food	2,275	2,275	5,378
Group activities costs	2,788	2,788	4,701
Donations	2,511	2,511	6,617
Courses and conferences	291	291	145
Rent and rates	211	211	266
Insurance	2,788	2,788	2,590
Premises expenses	(3,451)	(3,451)	11,468
Church resources	142	142	136
Licences and subscriptions	1,242	1,242	1,020
Independent examiner's fees	2,700	2,700	-
Legal and professional	221	221	275
Incidentals	580	580	1,169
	<u>26,117</u>	<u>26,117</u>	<u>34,065</u>
Loan advances	-	-	2,975
Purchase of assets	1,080	1,080	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	£ 27,197	27,197	37,040
<b>NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	41,067	41,067	22,473
Cash and Bank Balances b/fwd	138,312	138,312	115,839
<b>Cash and Bank Balances c/fwd</b>	£ 179,379	179,379	138,312

All of the funds in the year ended 31st March, 2025 were unrestricted monies.

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2025**

	Notes	As at 31.03.25			As at 31.3.24
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>					
Bank Current Account		£ 179,379	£ -	£ 179,379	£ 138,312
		<u>£ 179,379</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 179,379</u>	<u>£ 138,312</u>
<b>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
Functional Use by the Charity	2	£ 215,853	£ -	£ 215,853	£ 214,773
		<u>£ 215,853</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 215,853</u>	<u>£ 214,773</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Prepayments		630	-	630	601
Gift Aid Reclaim		16,805	-	16,805	8,938
Loans		10,000	-	10,000	18,881
		<u>£ 27,435</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£ 27,435</u>	<u>£ 28,420</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors and Accruals		5,297	-	5,297	5,220
Tax and Social Security Creditor		1,763	-	1,763	-
		<u>£ 7,060</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£ 7,060</u>	<u>£ 5,220</u>

The accounts on pages 4 to 6 were approved on

30th January, 2026

For and on behalf of the Trustees

Mary Cliff

## HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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#### 1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

#### 2 NON-MONETARY ASSETS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	As at 31.03.25 Total	As at 31.03.24 Total
Functional use by the charity - at cost:				
- Equipment	33,169	-	33,169	32,089
- Alterations to leasehold	177,344	-	177,344	177,344
- Freehold	5,340	-	5,340	5,340
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£	215,853	-	215,853	£ 214,773
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#### 3 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In January 2025 A. Wright, a trustee, was employed to further the objects of the charity as authorised in the trust deed. He received remuneration of £9,282 in the year ended 31st March, 2025 (2024: £nil).

Mrs. C. Cliff is the wife of D. Cliff (trustee). In January 2025 Mrs. C. Cliff was employed as a part time secretary of the church. She received remuneration of £6,000 in the year ended 31st March, 2025 (2024: £nil).

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

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# Accounts

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**Chartered Accountants**

Established Nineteen Twenty Six

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
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**ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024**

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**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024**

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### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024**

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The objectives of the charity are the furtherance of the Christian Religion throughout the Hurstwood area and elsewhere, and the provision of general assistance where required.

The church maintains weekly Sunday morning services and the charity has provided Sunday School for children and young people and a weekly youth meeting. The charity also organises church away days and conferences for men and ladies, runs holiday clubs for primary school children and organises family games nights. In addition, there are prayer meetings, bible studies, a mums' and toddlers' group, Christmas meals and the provision of a weekly tearoom.

The church activities are open for all to attend.

In planning the activities for the year the Trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at their meetings and are satisfied that the charity's objects, and the activities it carries out in pursuit of those objects, as set out above, are for the public benefit.

## HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024 (CONTINUED)

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#### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

The focus of the charity's activities throughout 2023 and 2024 has remained the provision of a Sunday Service, Sunday School and Youth Club meetings in its own premises. These enable the children and young people attending to learn more about the Bible and the Christian way of life and provide an opportunity for fellowship and social interaction with their peers. The church welcomes all children and young people regardless of personal background, gender or personal circumstances.

The charity also provides various other services including the following:-

- regular play groups for pre-school children and their carers to provide an opportunity to learn and play together.
- a tearoom to provide refreshments and a meeting place for social interaction.
- a place for meetings of various groups.

In the year ended 31st March, 2024 the church, despite the difficulties faced by people due to the cost of living, has seen pleasing attendance and participation at each activity.

#### **RESERVES POLICY**

All the funds are of an unrestricted nature and are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Liquid funds have risen over the last few years as there has not been a paid pastor. Moving forward, the church has decided to employ a leader and an assistant on a 12 month contract. This may lead to a decrease in the level of reserves held. The church's policy is to keep reserves at a level which will provide a sufficient buffer for the church to continue with its current activities in the event of a short term unexpected fall in income or unexpected additional expenditure.

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024 (CONTINUED)**

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charity's policy is to hold adequate funds in order to meet its on-going obligations, any unforeseen expenditure that may occur and to help with the cashflow of future operations. As at 31st March, 2024 the charity held funds of £138,312 (2023: £115,839), all of which are unrestricted.

**APPROVAL**

This Report was approved by the Board of Trustees on

29th January, 2025

and signed on their behalf:

Daniel Cliff

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**

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### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

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**29th January, 2025**

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.24	Total Unrestricted	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.23
<b>INCOME RECEIPTS</b>			
Gross Gift Aid donations	39,157	39,157	36,355
Voluntary donations from individuals (including GASDS)	18,016	18,016	42,376
Legacy Income	-	-	12,500
Sundry income	440	440	-
	<u>57,613</u>	<u>57,613</u>	<u>91,231</u>
Loan repayments	1,900	1,900	3,650
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	£ 59,513	59,513	94,881
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
Preacher expenses	300	300	340
Food	5,378	5,378	5,592
Group activities costs	4,701	4,701	6,009
Donations	6,617	6,617	3,192
Courses and conferences	145	145	820
Rent and rates	266	266	146
Insurance	2,590	2,590	2,470
Premises expenses	11,468	11,468	12,230
Church holiday deposit	-	-	1,550
Church resources	136	136	1,047
Licences and subscriptions	1,020	1,020	965
Independent examiner's fees	-	-	2,460
Legal and professional	275	275	552
Incidentals	1,169	1,169	2,731
	<u>34,065</u>	<u>34,065</u>	<u>40,104</u>
Loan advances	2,975	2,975	12,380
Building costs	-	-	5,100
Purchase of assets	-	-	1,082
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	£ (37,040)	(37,040)	(58,666)
<b>NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	22,473	22,473	36,215
Cash and Bank Balances b/fwd	115,839	115,839	79,624
<b>Cash and Bank Balances c/fwd</b>	£ 138,312	138,312	115,839

All of the funds in the year ended 31st March, 2024 were unrestricted monies.

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024

	Notes	As at 31.03.24			As at 31.3.23
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>					
Bank Current Account		£ 138,312	£ -	£ 138,312	£ 115,839
<b>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
Functional Use by the Charity	2	£ 214,773	£ -	£ 214,773	£ 214,773
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Prepayments		601	-	601	557
Gift Aid Reclaim		8,938	-	8,938	8,294
Loans		18,881	-	18,881	17,896
		£ 28,420	£ -	£ 28,420	£ 26,747
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Accruals		5,220	-	5,220	2,400
Other Creditor		-	-	-	14
		£ 5,220	£ -	£ 5,220	£ 2,414

The accounts on pages 5 to 7 were approved on

29th January, 2025

For and on behalf of the Trustees

Daniel Cliff

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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**1 BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

**2 NON-MONETARY ASSETS**

	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>As at 31.03.24 Total</b>	<b>As at 31.03.23 Total</b>
Functional use by the charity - at cost:				
- Equipment	32,089	-	32,089	32,089
- Alterations to leasehold	177,344	-	177,344	177,344
- Freehold	5,340	-	5,340	5,340
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£	214,773	-	214,773	£ 214,773
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**ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023**

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**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023**

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### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023**

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The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2023.

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

Hurstwood Christian Church Trust is a registered charity ( No. 1008882).

The present trustees, and any past trustees who served during the period, are given on the foregoing statement of officers, professional advisors and registered office, together with the name of the administrator and external advisors.

The title to the property is held under a freehold in the name of the trustees of Hurstwood Christian Church.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

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The Board of Trustees is responsible for the overall governance of the charity. The total number of trustees shall be not less than three but may not exceed seven. New trustees are elected by the existing trustees and must assent to the doctrinal basis of the trust. The trustees meet regularly to manage the affairs of the charity.

Since the end of September 2021 the church has relied on lay preachers, many of whom belong to the church. There was also one voluntary part-time administrator who manages the day to day administration of the charity.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The objectives of the charity are the furtherance of the Christian Religion throughout the Hurstwood area and elsewhere, and the provision of general assistance where required.

The church maintains weekly Sunday morning services and the charity has provided over 50s meals as well as Sunday School for children and young people, a kids' club and a weekly youth meeting. The charity also organises school assemblies and conferences for men and ladies, runs holiday clubs for primary school children and organises a monthly family games night. In addition, there are prayer meetings, bible studies, a mums' and toddlers' group and the provision of a weekly tearoom.

The church activities are open for all to attend.

In planning the activities for the year the Trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at their meetings and are satisfied that the charity's objects, and the activities it carries out in pursuit of those objects, as set out above, are for the public benefit.

## **HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023 (CONTINUED)**

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#### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

The focus of the charity's activities throughout 2022 and 2023 has remained the provision of a Sunday Service, Sunday School and Youth Club meetings in its own premises. Other media platforms such as zoom have continued to be used to further this. These enable the children and young people attending to learn more about the Bible and the Christian way of life and provide an opportunity for fellowship and social interaction with their peers. The church welcomes all children and young people regardless of personal background, gender or personal circumstances.

The charity also provides various other services including the following:-

- regular play groups for pre-school children and their carers to provide an opportunity to learn and play together.
  
- a tearoom to provide refreshments and a meeting place for social interaction.

In the year ended 31st March, 2023 the church, despite the difficulties faced by people due to the cost of living, has seen pleasing attendance and participation at each activity. The use of zoom and YouTube has enhanced and enabled access to activities when people could not attend in person.

#### **RESERVES POLICY**

All the funds are of an unrestricted nature and are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Liquid funds have risen since last year. The aim is to build up reserves again, following higher expenditure in previous years on building alterations and the kitchen refurbishment. This will provide a sufficient buffer in order that the church can continue with its current activities in the event of a short term unexpected fall in income or unexpected additional expenditure.

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023 (CONTINUED)**

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charity's policy is to hold adequate funds in order to meet its on-going obligations, any unforeseen expenditure that may occur and to help with the cashflow of future operations. As at 31st March, 2023 the charity held funds of £115,839 (2022: £79,624), all of which are unrestricted.

**APPROVAL**

This Report was approved by the Board of Trustees on

31st January, 2024

and signed on their behalf:

Mary Cliff

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**

### **HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**CHARITY NUMBER 1008882**

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hurstwood Christian Church Trust ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st March, 2023 set out on pages 5 to 7.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Act and regulations made under section 154 of the Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

**M. Holmes F.C.A.**  
**for Ashworth Moulds**  
**11, Nicholas Street, Burnley, Lancashire BB11 2AL**

**31st January, 2024**

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.23	Total Unrestricted	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.22
<b>INCOME RECEIPTS</b>			
Gross Gift Aid donations	36,355	36,355	41,488
Voluntary donations from individuals (including GASDS)	42,376	42,376	20,955
Legacy Income	12,500	12,500	-
	<u>91,231</u>	<u>91,231</u>	<u>62,443</u>
Loan repayments	3,650	3,650	12,725
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	£ 94,881	94,881	75,168
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
Wages and salaries	-	-	15,965
Pension costs	-	-	385
Preacher expenses	340	340	530
Food	5,592	5,592	2,379
Group activities costs	6,009	6,009	3,384
Donations	3,192	3,192	836
Courses and conferences	820	820	536
Rent and rates	146	146	127
Insurance	2,470	2,470	2,310
Premises expenses	12,230	12,230	12,299
Church holiday deposit	1,550	1,550	-
Church resources	1,047	1,047	911
Licences and subscriptions	965	965	932
Independent examiner's fees	2,460	2,460	2,400
Legal and professional	552	552	502
Incidentals	2,731	2,731	5,660
	<u>40,104</u>	<u>40,104</u>	<u>49,156</u>
Loan advances	12,380	12,380	19,005
Building costs	5,100	5,100	-
Purchase of assets	1,082	1,082	4,853
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	£ (58,666)	£ (58,666)	(73,014)
<b>NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	36,215	36,215	2,154
Cash and Bank Balances b/fwd	79,624	79,624	77,470
<b>Cash and Bank Balances c/fwd</b>	£ 115,839	115,839	79,624

All of the funds in the year ended 31st March, 2023 were unrestricted monies.

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2023

	Notes	As at 31.03.23			As at 31.3.22
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>					
Bank Current Account		£ 115,839	£ -	£ 115,839	£ 79,624
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
Functional Use by the Charity	2	£ 214,773	£ -	£ 214,773	£ 215,090
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Prepayments		557	-	557	534
Gift Aid Reclaim		8,294	-	8,294	8,824
Loans		17,896	-	17,896	9,166
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
		£ 26,747	£ -	£ 26,747	£ 18,524
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Accruals		2,400	-	2,400	1,800
Other Creditor		14	-	14	14
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
		£ 2,414	£ -	£ 2,414	£ 1,814
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>

The accounts on pages 5 to 7 were approved on

31st January, 2024

For and on behalf of the Trustees

Mary Cliff

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

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**1 BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

**2 NON-MONETARY ASSETS**

	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>As at 31.03.23 Total</b>	<b>As at 31.03.22 Total</b>
Functional use by the charity - at cost:				
- Equipment	32,089	-	32,089	31,006
- Alterations to leasehold	177,344	-	177,344	178,744
- Freehold	5,340	-	5,340	5,340
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£	214,773	-	214,773	£ 215,090
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**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1008882

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# Accounts

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**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
TRUST**

**ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022**

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022**

**OFFICERS, PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS AND REGISTERED OFFICE**

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**PASTOR:** Mr. J. H. Sansom Resigned 30 September 2021

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES :** Mrs. M. Cliff  
Mr. E. Cliff  
Mr. D. Cliff  
Mr. A. Wraight

**ADMINISTRATOR:** Mr. D. Cliff

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** Hurstwood Church,  
Hurstwood Village,  
Worsthorne,  
Burnley,  
Lancashire,  
BB10 3LG

**ACCOUNTANTS** Ashworth Moulds,  
11, Nicholas Street,  
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**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:** 1008882

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

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## **HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022**

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Until the end of September 2021 there was one full-time employee who furthered the objects of the charity. Since then, the church has relied on lay preachers, many of whom belong to the church. There was also one voluntary part-time administrator who managed the day to day administration of the charity.

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In planning the activities for the year the Trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at their meetings and are satisfied that the charity's objects, and the activities it carries out in pursuit of those objects, as set out above, are for the public benefit.

## **HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022 (CONTINUED)**

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#### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

The focus of the charity's activities throughout 2021 and 2022 has remained the provision of a Sunday Service, Sunday School and Youth Club meetings in its own premises. Other media platforms such as zoom have continued to be used to further this even though restrictions have been relaxed. These enable the children and young people attending to learn more about the Bible and the Christian way of life and provide an opportunity for fellowship and social interaction with their peers. The church welcomes all children and young people regardless of personal background, gender or personal circumstances.

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In the year ended 31st March, 2022 the church, despite the difficulties faced by people, has seen pleasing attendance and participation at each activity. The use of zoom has enhanced and enabled access to activities when people could not attend in person. The Keys to Freedom and Youth Alpha courses have been particularly effective and in the future we are looking to offer the same and similar new courses.

#### **RESERVES POLICY**

There were no restricted funds in the year ended 31st March, 2022. In the year ended 31st March, 2021 there was one restricted fund which finished in the year:

- Church holiday fund which related to the return of monies previously collected to cover the costs of a church holiday. The holiday was cancelled due to the Covid pandemic.

All the remaining funds are of an unrestricted nature and are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Liquid funds have risen slightly since last year. The aim is to build up reserves again, following higher expenditure in previous years on building alterations and the kitchen refurbishment. This will provide a sufficient buffer in order that the church can continue with its current activities in the event of a short term unexpected fall in income or unexpected additional expenditure.

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022 (CONTINUED)**

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charity's policy is to hold adequate funds in order to meet its on-going obligations, any unforeseen expenditure that may occur and to help with the cashflow of future operations. As at 31st March, 2022 the charity held funds of £79,624 (2021: £77,470), all of which are unrestricted.

**APPROVAL**

This Report was approved by the Board of Trustees on

22nd December, 2022

and signed on their behalf:

Mary Cliff

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### **HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**CHARITY NUMBER 1008882**

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**M. Holmes F.C.A.**  
**for Ashworth Moulds**  
**11, Nicholas Street, Burnley, Lancashire BB11 2AL**

**22nd December, 2022**

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022

	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.22	Total Unrestricted	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.21
<b>INCOME RECEIPTS</b>			
Gross Gift Aid donations	41,488	41,488	60,311
Voluntary donations from individuals (including GASDS)	20,955	20,955	10,409
Returned holiday deposits to repay	-	-	150
Donations of returned holiday deposits	-	-	540
Gift Aid repayment interest	-	-	21
	<u>62,443</u>	<u>62,443</u>	<u>71,431</u>
Loan repayments	12,725	12,725	-
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	£ 75,168	£ 75,168	71,431
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
Wages and salaries	15,965	15,965	38,600
Pension costs	385	385	771
Preacher expenses	530	530	-
Food	2,379	2,379	248
Group activities costs	3,384	3,384	497
Donations	836	836	200
Courses and conferences	536	536	724
Rent and rates	127	127	103
Insurance	2,310	2,310	2,180
Premises expenses	12,299	12,299	11,376
Repayment of church holiday deposit	-	-	150
Church resources	911	911	273
Licences and subscriptions	932	932	956
Independent examiner's fees	2,400	2,400	2,016
Legal and professional	502	502	883
Incidentals	5,660	5,660	3,200
	<u>49,156</u>	<u>49,156</u>	<u>62,177</u>
Loan advances	19,005	19,005	2,886
Purchase of assets	4,853	4,853	2,320
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	£ (73,014)	£ (73,014)	(67,383)
<b>NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	2,154	2,154	4,048
Cash and Bank Balances b/fwd	77,470	77,470	73,422
<b>Cash and Bank Balances c/fwd</b>	£ 79,624	£ 79,624	77,470

All of the funds in the year ended 31st March, 2022 were unrestricted monies.

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2022

	Notes	As at 31.03.22			As at 31.3.21
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>					
Bank Current Account		£ 79,624	£ -	£ 79,624	£ 77,470
		<u>£ 79,624</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 79,624</u>	<u>£ 77,470</u>
<b>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
Functional Use by the Charity	2	£ 215,090	£ -	£ 215,090	£ 210,237
		<u>£ 215,090</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 215,090</u>	<u>£ 210,237</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Prepayments		534	-	534	482
Gift Aid Reclaim		8,824	-	8,824	10,411
Loans		9,166	-	9,166	2,886
		<u>£ 18,524</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 18,524</u>	<u>£ 13,779</u>
		<u>£ 18,524</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 18,524</u>	<u>£ 13,779</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Accruals		1,800	-	1,800	1,800
Other Creditor		14	-	14	14
		<u>£ 1,814</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 1,814</u>	<u>£ 1,814</u>
		<u>£ 1,814</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 1,814</u>	<u>£ 1,814</u>

The accounts on pages 5 to 7 were approved on

22nd December, 2022

For and on behalf of the Trustees

Mary Cliff

# HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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### 1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

### 2 NON-MONETARY ASSETS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	As at 31.03.22 Total	As at 31.03.21 Total
Functional use by the charity - at cost:				
- Equipment	31,006	-	31,006	27,836
- Alterations to leasehold	178,744	-	178,744	177,061
- Freehold	5,340	-	5,340	5,340
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£	215,090	-	215,090	£ 210,237
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**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1008882

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# Accounts

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**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
TRUST**

**ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2021**

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2021**

**OFFICERS, PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS AND REGISTERED OFFICE**

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**ASSISTANT PASTOR:** Mr. H. Stockburn Resigned 6 January 2021

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## **HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The objectives of the charity are the furtherance of the Christian Religion throughout the Hurstwood area and elsewhere, and the provision of general assistance where required.

Following COVID-19 guidance and observing restrictions, the church has continued, when possible, to maintain weekly Sunday morning services and the charity has provided over 50's meals as well as Sunday School for children and young people, a kid's club and a weekly youth meeting. The charity also organises school assemblies and conferences for men and ladies, runs holiday clubs for primary school children and organises a monthly family games night. In addition, there are prayer meetings, bible studies and Keys to Freedom courses, a mums' and toddler's group and the provision of a weekly tea room.

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## HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2021 (CONTINUED)

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#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The focus of the charity's activities throughout the COVID -19 pandemic has remained the provision of Sunday School and Youth Club meetings in its own premises. Other media platforms such as zoom have been used to further this when restrictions have been in place. These enable the children and young people attending to learn more about the Bible and Christian way of life and provide an opportunity for fellowship and social interaction with their peers. The church welcomes all children and young people regardless of personal background, gender or personal circumstances.

The charity also provides various other services including the following:-

- regular play groups for pre-school children and their carers to provide an opportunity to learn and play together.
- a tea room to provide refreshments and a meeting place for social interaction.

In the year ended 31st March, 2021 the church, despite the difficulties faced by people, has seen pleasing attendance and participation at each activity. The use of zoom has enhanced and enabled access to activities when people could not attend in person. The Keys to Freedom course has been particularly effective and in the future is looking to be expanded.

#### RESERVES POLICY

There was one restricted fund during the year:

- Church holiday fund which related to the return of monies previously collected to cover the costs of a church holiday. The holiday was cancelled due to the Covid pandemic.

All the remaining funds are of an unrestricted nature and are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Liquid funds have risen slightly since last year. The aim is to build up reserves again, following higher expenditure in previous years on building alterations and the kitchen refurbishment. This will provide a sufficient buffer in order that the church can continue with its current activities in the event of a short term unexpected fall in income or unexpected additional expenditure.

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2021 (CONTINUED)**

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charity's policy is to hold adequate funds in order to meet its on-going obligations, any unforeseen expenditure that may occur and to help with the cashflow of future operations. As at 31st March, 2021 the charity held funds of £77,470 (2020: £73,422), all of which are unrestricted.

**APPROVAL**

This Report was approved by the Board of Trustees on

27th January, 2022

and signed on their behalf:

Mary Cliff

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**

### **HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**CHARITY NUMBER 1008882**

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Hurstwood Christian Church Trust ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st March, 2021 set out on pages 5 to 7.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

#### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with the accounting records.

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

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Act and regulations made under section 154 of the Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

**M. Holmes F.C.A.**  
**for Ashworth Moulds**  
**11, Nicholas Street, Burnley, Lancashire BB11 2AL**

**27th January, 2022**

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2021

	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.21	Total Unrestricted	Total Restricted	Church Holiday	Grand Total Year Ended 31.03.20
<b>INCOME RECEIPTS</b>					
Gross Gift Aid donations	60,311	60,311	-	-	35,979
Voluntary donations from individuals (including GASDS)	10,409	10,409	-	-	32,955
Legacy income	-	-	-	-	21,449
Contributions towards youth trip	-	-	-	-	2,317
Deposits received towards church holiday	-	-	-	-	690
Returned holiday deposits to repay	150	-	150	150	-
Donations of returned holiday deposits	540	540	-	-	-
Gift Aid repayment interest	21	21	-	-	-
Sundry income	-	-	-	-	500
	<b>71,431</b>	<b>71,281</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>93,890</b>
Loan repayments	-	-	-	-	3,811
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	£ <b>71,431</b>	£ <b>71,281</b>	£ <b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	£ <b>97,701</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Wages and salaries	38,600	38,600	-	-	40,017
Social Security costs	-	-	-	-	169
Pension costs	771	771	-	-	762
Preacher expenses	-	-	-	-	402
Food	248	248	-	-	6,069
Group activities costs	497	497	-	-	6,033
Donations	200	200	-	-	5,678
Courses and conferences	724	724	-	-	157
Rent and rates	103	103	-	-	187
Insurance	2,180	2,180	-	-	2,156
Premises expenses	11,376	11,376	-	-	8,972
Youth trip costs	-	-	-	-	2,633
Church holiday deposit	-	-	-	-	690
Repayment of church holiday deposit	150	-	150	150	-
Church resources	273	273	-	-	504
Licences and subscriptions	956	956	-	-	1,142
Independent examiner's fees	2,016	2,016	-	-	1,680
Legal and professional	883	883	-	-	1,255
Incidentals	3,200	3,200	-	-	1,796
	<b>62,177</b>	<b>62,027</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>80,302</b>
Loan payments	2,886	2,886	-	-	3,811
Purchase of assets	2,320	2,320	-	-	2,062
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	£ <b>(67,383)</b>	£ <b>(67,233)</b>	£ <b>(150)</b>	<b>(150)</b>	£ <b>(86,175)</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>4,048</b>	<b>4,048</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,526</b>
Cash and Bank Balances b/fwd	73,422	73,422	-	-	61,896
<b>Cash and Bank Balances c/fwd</b>	£ <b>77,470</b>	£ <b>77,470</b>	£ <b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	£ <b>73,422</b>

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2021**

	Notes	As at 31.03.21			As at 31.03.20
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>					
Bank Current Account		£ 77,470	£ -	£ 77,470	£ 73,422
<b>NON-MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
Functional Use by the Charity	2	£ 210,237	£ -	£ 210,237	£ 207,917
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Prepayments		482	-	482	619
Gift Aid Reclaim		10,411	-	10,411	24,417
Loans		2,886	-	2,886	-
		£ 13,779	£ -	£ 13,779	£ 25,036
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Accruals		1,800	-	1,800	1,800
Other Creditor		14	-	14	114
		£ 1,814	£ -	£ 1,814	£ 1,914

The accounts on pages 5 to 7 were approved on 27th January, 2022

For and on behalf of the Trustees

Mary Cliff

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2021

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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**1 BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

**2 NON-MONETARY ASSETS**

	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>As at 31.03.21 Total</b>	<b>As at 31.03.20 Total</b>
Functional use by the charity - at cost:				
- Equipment	27,836	-	27,836	25,516
- Alterations to leasehold	177,061	-	177,061	177,061
- Freehold	5,340	-	5,340	5,340
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	£ 210,237	-	210,237	£ 207,917
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