

**HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH
TRUST**

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

HURSTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRUST

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

OFFICERS, PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS AND REGISTERED OFFICE

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

ADMINISTRATOR: Mr. D. Cliff

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

ACCOUNTANTS Ashworth Moulds,
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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, 2023

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

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 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)

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)

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

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
INCOME RECEIPTS			
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
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>£ 94,881</u>	<u>94,881</u>	<u>75,168</u>
PAYMENTS			
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
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>£ (58,666)</u>	<u>£ (58,666)</u>	<u>(73,014)</u>
NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	36,215	36,215	2,154
Cash and Bank Balances b/fwd	79,624	79,624	77,470
Cash and Bank Balances c/fwd	<u>£ 115,839</u>	<u>115,839</u>	<u>79,624</u>

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

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

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

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

2 NON-MONETARY ASSETS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	As at 31.03.23 Total	As at 31.03.22 Total
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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