

CHRISTIANS IN SCHOOLS TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1019848

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1993-04-08

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF CHRISTIAN RELIGION (FOR FURTHER DETAILS SEE CLAUSE 2(A) AND (B) OF TRUST DEED)

Activities: CIST is active within Primary and Secondary schools in the Stockport area by providing a service that includes R.E. lessons, assemblies and projects to support the school curriculum in the teaching of Christianity. CIST also aims to partner with Christian Communities in providing opportunities for children and young people to explore the Christian faith

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** STOCKPORT AREA AND ELSEWHERE
- Manchester City
- Stockport

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£55,304	£59,200	-	-
2024-07-31	£53,255	£51,469	-	-
2023-07-31	£58,943	£36,916	-	-
2022-07-31	£52,488	£32,218	-	-
2021-07-31	£61,921	£31,646	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
STEPHEN INNES	Chair	2016-03-22
CHRISTINE JOYCE HALL		
Debbie Allen		2016-03-31
Gillian Audrey Golding		2022-05-26
JANET ELIZABETH FORD		
PAULINE MCKENDRICK		2025-02-20
Philip Pasteiner		2023-11-01
Viv Allen		2016-03-31

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/08/24 to 31/07/25

Section A. Reference and administration Details

Charity name

Christians in Schools Trust

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Charity's principal address

The principal address for the charity is that of the Charity Office

Office Address

Church House 99 Chatham Street Stockport SK3 9EG

Trustees

As at the end of the financial year, 31st July 2024:

Mr Stephen Innes (Trust Chairman)
Mrs Deborah Allen (Secretary)
Mrs Gill Golding (Safeguarding)
Mr Phillip Pasteiner (Trust Treasurer)
Mrs Vivienne Allen
Mrs Janet Elizabeth Ford
Mrs Christine Joyce Hall
Ms Pauline McKendrick

Section B. Structure, governance and management

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Clause 6 of the Declaration of Trust which governs the Trustees provides for not less than 3 nor more than 9 Trustees. Each Trustee is required to assent in writing to the doctrinal basis of this trust. The appointment of new Trustees is by the continuing Trustees. There are no custodian trustees. The Trustees met 7 times during the year and the average attendance was 87% No trustee attended less than 50% of Trustee meetings. Apologies were given to the meeting at all times.

One new Trustee was elected to join the Trust at the Trustees meeting in February 2025

Review of major risks

Major risks are reviewed at Trustee meetings. Systems designed to mitigate significant risks are introduced as necessary. Trust policies are reviewed and updated on a regular basis.

The following policies form part of our overall policy pack

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The organisation, sponsorship and promotion of Inter-denominational Christian work throughout the Stockport area and elsewhere the object of which shall be to present to men, women, young people and children the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord by all possible means.

The Trust

The Trust is committed to providing Christian support for schools. Funds are provided by gifts from churches and individual supporters, mainly from Stockport and the surrounding areas.

The Trust has a Mission Statement. All activities that we carry out must adhere to at least one of the points in our mission statement.

Our mission is to:

- Share the relevance of the Christian faith with young people
- Support and promote excellence in religious education, Assemblies and Schools' work
- Partner with Christian communities in providing opportunities for children and young people to explore the Christian faith.

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Grant-making Policy

The Trust does not normally make grants. A specific decision of the Trustees, following appropriate enquiries, is necessary before a grant could be made.

Investments Policy

The Trust seeks funds to support its current programme. It does not currently have any long-term investments. Specific investment powers are included in clause 3 of the Declaration of Trust.

Volunteers and Supporters

Volunteers of the Trust offer support by praying for the Trust it's work and workers, and by supporting through financial giving. They do this on their own and also through meeting together for prayer. The staff compose a monthly news sheet which includes news of our work and points to pray for.

Mission Partners

These are gifted individuals or church workers who support our staff in their work in a practical way both on an ad-hoc and regular basis. We currently have several church workers who we consider our Mission Partners. All partners carry a current DBS

Section D. Achievements and performance for the public benefit**Overview****A year of growth and new things**

The team continued to form links with schools that we have previously not had links with and also rebuild links that we had lost contact with.

The team have also continued to update our weekly assemblies programme and they have produced some new lessons replacing out of date subjects. The team have also continued to create suitable "Prayer Spaces" for schools to book.

The Trustees continue to review the Trust's policies in our portfolio at regular intervals

Staffing

The Trust currently employs 3 members of staff, 1 full time worker and 2 part time workers. Our full-time worker is the team lead and also works in the primary sector. One part time worker works in the primary sector whilst the other focuses on secondary schools

Secondary schools

Our secondary school worker has continued to build on the links we have with secondary schools and input into a new school began this year. Our worker has not only been doing some R.E. lessons but also runs lunch time and after school clubs in several schools. These have been supported by partners from the local churches or staff from within the schools. One school also invited our worker to join them on a pupil's residential retreat. Our worker also supports a monthly youth event held in the centre of the town.

It is hoped to continue growing and developing the work further in the coming academic year. Feedback shows that the clubs are valued and well attended by pupils. Our worker is currently training part time to be a trained councillor at a university nearby and is also a qualified Mental Health First Aider. It is hoped to develop further our Prayer Space for key stage 3 children during 2025/6.

We currently run 4 clubs in different schools.

Primary schools

The Trust continues to develop its work in primary schools. Throughout 2024 and 2025 both our staff have delivered weekly school assemblies, lessons and projects which have been widely used and valued by many schools. The Trust currently has links with almost 50 local schools and visit most on a regular basis. Many new lessons have been written to link with the new Greater Manchester R. E. curriculum. Following further training on "Prayer Spaces in Schools" a U.K. wide organisation the team have developed and refined our spaces suitable for Key Stage 1 and 2 children. Partly due to the current "Mental health" amongst children these Spaces have become very popular and useful to schools and they are making use of them.

During the year our staff planned and led around 270 workshops, 9 prayer spaces as well as taking over 300 lessons plus assemblies and have had contact with around 8000 children, this is a small increase on last year's figures and demonstrates how much our local schools value our work.

The Trust also works in conjunction with the "Heaton's Churches Partnership" to resource and manage input into the schools there and to build links with churches. One member of staff takes overall responsibility for this and attends the church leaders' meetings.

This year we piloted a new activity linked to our "It's Your Move" project. Our staff team ran a full day Saturday event called "Move Social". Year six children were invited to explore deeper some of the challenges in moving to a new and often much larger school and looked at some of the changes involved. All this was done in a fun and exciting way, and we had good feedback from the young people who attended

SACRE

The Trust has representation on the local council SACRE group. Our team lead is currently a member and attends the meetings.

Development work

Trust employees and some Trustees visit local churches and related organisations to promote and maintain the work of the Trust. Networking with Christian organisations and educational bodies is also a part of the Trust's work.

Over recent years the staff team have continued to develop and improve our current projects for schools. The projects that have been developed so far are aimed mainly at Key Stage 1 and 2 children which have been well received. Staff continue to review and update all material used as necessary.

The staff have all continued to develop some sessions and projects suitable for reception and Key Stage 1 children, The Trusts intention is to continue rebuilding links with the secondary schools,

further develop the Prayer or reflective spaces projects more and encourage local churches to take an active interest in and serve their local schools where possible.

Over the past twelve months the staff and Trustees have been able to strengthen our links with some local churches and partner with them in projects and clubs.

The Trustees continue to make sure we comply with current Data Protection and our Privacy Policy, making sure both are up to date.

Safeguarding

As a Trust we are committed to having a high standard of safeguarding both for our staff and those they come in contact with. The Trust has a Safeguarding Policy and we review this policy approximately every twelve months.

Safeguarding is an item on the agenda at every Trustee's meeting.

Safeguarding training for staff was completed in a local school in September of 2025 where they joined with the school staff on their Safeguarding training day. The Trustee's hope that staff will continue to have access to in-school training this coming academic year. Our Safeguarding trustee and team lead has had "Safer Recruitment" training. The Trustees have also completed some on-line training in "Safeguarding" and "Safer Recruitment" recently. All Trustees attended a Safeguarding for Trustees' training day in January 2025

Internet resources

The Christians in Schools Trust web site (www.cist.org.uk), was originally launched in September 2000. The website continues to be upgraded and developed as a point of information. Our website was redesigned, edited and our new site was launched at Easter term of 2021 and is updated by our "Team Leader"

The staff also use other social media sites such as "Facebook" and "Instagram" to keep our supporters informed on a regular basis.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in planning all our activities.

Serious Incidents

There were no serious incidents relating to the charity during the previous year that the Trustees needed to inform the Charity Commission.

Section E. Financial review

Whilst our current financial situation is very healthy, and we have been able to employ a further worker year, our expenditure has exceeded our income. Although we have funds to cover this, it is a matter that the Trustees will need to address in the near future.

Income 2024 – 2025

Donations are received from supporting churches and individuals who support our mission. General gifts received during the year of operation totalled £29,539 from churches and £17,541 from individuals. No tax was recovered through "Gift Aid" due to a problem at the Government office. A further £7,200 came from the service agreement with the Heaton's' Group of Churches. The Trust did not receive any further one-off gifts.

Expenditure 2024 – 2025

Employee costs totalled £49,014 for salaries and pensions, £6577.00 for expenses and activities. Support, Administration and I.T. costs for the year were £2,569.00. We also gifted £1,100 to St Matthews Church for the use of St Matthews Church House as an office. This is included in our support costs.

Budget for 2025 – 2026

Total Assets at the start of the next year are £135,842. The Trust's budget for 2025-2026 is £66,725.00. Our aim is to have a balanced budget for the year; however, we currently hold enough reserves to cover any shortfall. We expect to see a reduction in our balance over the next 12 months due to employing a further part time worker.

Reserves policy

Trustees are alerted when funds fall to near three months working expense and appeals to supporters are initiated as required. The Trust's funds include a sum of £13,900.00, which covers 90 days of total salaries, our Employer's financial responsibilities and any other financial commitments that the Trust has. Since we have been able to employ a third worker this year and still have a good balance, we should be able to continue to operate at the current level for at least the next 24 months.

Capital expenditure policy

Items of capital expenditure costing over £500 bought for the use of the Trust and its employees, these are treated as investment assets and are normally depreciated in four equal annual steps of 25%.

Section F. Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's report above at a trustee meeting on October 23rd 2025

Signed on behalf of the charity

Mr Stephen Innes
Chair of Trustees

Handwritten signature of Stephen Innes in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' and 'I' followed by the name 'Innes'.

Date 23.10.25

Mrs Deborah Allen
Secretary & Trustee

Handwritten signature of Deborah Allen in black ink, appearing as 'DA Allen' with a long horizontal stroke underneath.

Date 23/10/25



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/08/2024	To	31/07/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Church Gifts	29,539	-	-	28,939	22,049
Personal Gifts	18,141	-	-	18,141	17,911
Tax Reclaimed	-	-	-	-	3,781
Other Gifts	-	-	-	-	2,313
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Heaton Service Partnership	6,600	-	-	7,200	7,200
Investment Income	1,024	-	-	1,024	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	55,304	-	-	55,304	53,254
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	55,304	-	-	55,304	53,254
A3 Payments					
Employees Salaries	43,421	-	-	43,421	38,451
HMRC (includes NI)	3,531	-	-	3,531	3,291
Nest Pensions	2,062	-	-	2,062	1,746
Material Costs	4,500	-	-	4,500	174
Employee Expenses	-	-	-	-	802
Office Costs	3,759	-	-	3,759	3,397
Insurance	985	-	-	985	933
IT Costs	442	-	-	442	308
Trustee Costs	-	-	-	-	2,313
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	58,700	-	-	58,700	51,415
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Equipment Purchases	500	-	-	500	55
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	500	-	-	500	55
Total payments	59,200	-	-	59,200	51,470
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,896	-	-	- 3,896	1,784
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 3,896	-	-	- 3,896	1,784

I have examined these accounts & found them materially correct

*J A Supra A.C.A.
2/12/25*

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	20,018	-	-
	Deposit Account	115,824	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	135,842	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	STEPHEN INNES	23.11.25
	DEBORAH ALLEN	23/11/25

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From Sept 2023, the team continued to rebuild their links with schools and form new links with schools that we had lost contact with.

The team have also continued to update our weekly assemblies programme and they have produced some new lessons replacing out of date subjects. The team have also continued to create suitable "Prayer Spaces" for schools to book.

Our treasurer stood down from the role as of 1st January 2024 and the trustees voted to appoint Mr Phillip Pasteiner as our new treasurer from 1st January 2024. The trusts existing treasurer stood down as a trustee in April 2024.

The trustees have created and added a new policy to the trust's policy portfolio, "Trustees Expenses". Other polices are updated at regular intervals.

Staffing

It has been a year of change for the trust again as we were able to appoint a secondary school's worker during the year. Our new member of staff joined us during October 2023 and is a valued member of our staff team. The trustees also agreed to an increase in the hours worked by our 2nd primary worker from September 2023.

Secondary schools

Due to the fact that our new secondary school worker began working for the trust in October 2023, the first priority was to reconnect with schools we have previously had links with. However, the work has grown quite quickly and new contacts have been made. Our worker has not only been doing some R.E. lessons but also runs lunch time and after school clubs in several schools. These have been supported by staff from the local churches or staff from within the schools. Our worker also supports a monthly youth event held in the centre of the town.

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Income 2023 – 2024

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Expenditure 2023 – 2024

Employee costs totalled £43,488 for salaries and pensions, £3,099.00 for expenses and activities. Support and Administration and I.T. costs for the year were £2,569.00. We also gifted £1,100.00 to St Matthews Church for the use of St Matthews Church House as an office.

Budget for 2023 – 2024

Total Assets at the start of the next year are £139,733 The trusts budget for 2024-2025 is £XXXXX Our aim is to have a balanced budget for the year; however, we currently hold enough reserves to cover any shortfall. Our balance is so high due to the fact that we have not been able to employ a third worker for some time. We expect to see a reduction in our balance over the next 12 months due to being able to employ one and the increased hours for our second worker.

Reserves policy

Trustees are alerted when funds fall to near three months working expense and appeals to supporters are initiated as required. The Trust's funds include a sum of £12,868.00. which covers 90 days of total salary's, our employer's financial responsibilities and any other financial commitments that the trust has. Due to the fact that we have been able to employ a third worker this year and still have a good balance, we should be able to continue to operate at the current level for a lest the next 24 months

Capital expenditure policy

Items of capital expenditure costing over £500 that have been bought for the use of the Trust and its employees, these are treated as investment assets and are normally depreciated in four equal annual steps of 25%.

Section G. Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustee's report above at a meeting on September 12th 2024

Signed on behalf of the charity



Mr Stephen Innes
Chair of Trustees

Date 12/09/2024

D. A. Allen

Mrs Deborah Allen
Secretary & Trustee

Date 12/09/2024

Accounts Independently Examined by

J. A. Simpson A.C.A.



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/08/2023	To	31/07/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Church Gifts	22,049	-	-	22,049	20,838
Personal Gifts	17,911	-	-	17,911	26,145
Tax Reclaimed	3,781	-	-	3,781	3,072
Other Gifts	2,313	-	-	2,313	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	1,688
Heaton Service Partnership	7,200	-	-	7,200	7,200
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	53,254	-	-	53,254	58,943
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	53,254	-	-	53,254	58,943
A3 Payments					
Employee Salaries	38,451	-	-	38,451	28,028
HMRC (includes NI)	3,291	-	-	3,291	1,614
Nest Pensions	1,746	-	-	1,746	1,810
Staff Training	-	-	-	-	353
Employee Expenses	802	-	-	802	621
Office Costs	3,397	-	-	3,397	1,451
Insurance	933	-	-	933	865
IT Costs	308	-	-	308	941
Trustee Costs	2,313	-	-	2,313	-
Sub total	51,241	-	-	51,241	35,683
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment Purchase	55	-	-	55	220
Material Costs	174	-	-	174	1,013
Sub total	229	-	-	229	1,233
Total payments	51,470	-	-	51,470	36,916
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,784	-	-	1,784	22,027
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,784	-	-	1,784	22,027

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Currant Account	43,909	-	-
	Deposit Account	95,824	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	139,733	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

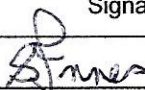
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Stephen Innes	11/03/2025
D A. ALLEN	DEBORAH ALLEN	11/03/2025

CHRISTIANS IN SCHOOLS

QUERIES

- 1 I need to see the Gift Aid return for the amount of £1,057.50 received in December 2023. I also need to check a sample of donors to authorisation forms.
- 2 What is the Heaton Contract for which you receive £7,200 per annum.
- 3 What was the loan refund of £2,312.93 paid to J A Whelan as posted to Trustees Expenses?
- 4 Do you claim Employer's Allowance so you do not need to pay Employer's National Insurance?
- 5 I need to see the bank statement showing £95,824.07 in the deposit account at 31/07/24.
- 6 Why is there £45k in the current account, could you not put more into the deposit accounts and leave enough in the current account to cover normal expenditure?
- 7 Is there an employer's contribution to NEST? If so how much for year to 31/07/24?
- 8 Where is the rent charged for? OK – St Matthews Church – in Annual Report.
- 9 Are donations from churches and individuals regular or do they tend to be one-offs?
- 10 Is there a reason for the fall in personal gifts from £26,145 in 2023 to £17911 in 2024?
- 11 I can see that Beth was taken on extra for 2024, so salaries were higher than the previous year. What extra functions does Beth carry out and is this likely to increase income?
- 12 I have lumped together Resources and Rent into Office Costs which totals £3396.75 for 2024 and compared this to £1451 Office Costs for 2023. Is this a proper comparison and have costs gone up because you have an extra member of staff?
- 13 The Charity Commission website shows Joseph Whetham as a trustee still and does not show Gill Golding and Vivienne Allen as trustees. This needs to be updated if the annual report for 2024 is correct.
- 14 Please send me a copy of the Declaration of Trust made on 17th March 1993 which is listed on the Annual Report as the governing document.
- 15 The Annual Report shows a gap for budget 2024-25. Is this figure the forecast balance of bank balances at 31/07/25?

CHRISTIANS IN SCHOOLS TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1019848

Accounts

**Trustees' Annual Report
for the period 01/08/22 to 31/07/23**

Section A. Reference and administration Details

Charity name

Christians in Schools Trust

Registered charity number

Registered charity number 1019848.

Charity's principal address

The principal address for the charity is that of the Treasurer

Mr. Joseph Alec Whetham, 35 Drayton Drive, Heald Green,
Stockport, SK8 3LE.

Office Address

Church House 99 Chatham Street Stockport SK3 9EG

Trustees

As at the end of the financial year, 31st July 2023:

Mr Stephen Innes (Trust Chairman)
Mrs Deborah Allen (Secretary)
Mrs Gill Golding (Safeguarding)
Mr Joseph Alec Whetham (Trust Treasurer)
Mrs Vivienne Allen
Mrs Janet Elizabeth Ford
Mrs Christine Joyce Hall
Mr Phillip Pasteiner

Section B. Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust made on 17th March 1993.

Trustee selection methods

Clause 6 of the Declaration of Trust which governs the trustees provides for not less than 3 nor more than 9 trustees. Each trustee is required to assent in writing to the doctrinal basis of this trust. The appointment of new trustees is by the continuing trustees. There are no custodian trustees. The Trustees met 6 times during the year and the average attendance was 83%. No trustee attended less than 50% of trustee meeting, Apologies were given at all times.

Review of major risks

Major risks are reviewed at trustee meetings. Systems designed to mitigate significant risks are introduced as necessary. Trust policies are reviewed and updated on a regular basis.

The Following policies form part of our overall policy pack

Safeguarding Policy and Procedures

Complaint's policy

Bullying and Harassment Policy

Social Media policy

Conflicts of Interest policy

Safer Recruitment

Section C. Objectives and activities for the public benefit**Objects of the charity**

The purpose of the Trust is the advancement of Christian religion as follows:

The proclamation and furtherance of the Gospel of God concerning his Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord and the preaching and teaching of the Christian Faith in schools throughout the Stockport area and elsewhere.

The organization, sponsorship and promotion of Inter-denominational Christian work throughout the Stockport area and elsewhere the object of which shall be to present to men, women, young people and children the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord by all possible means.

The trust

The Trust is committed to providing Christian support for schools. Funds are provided by gifts from churches and individual supporters, mainly from Stockport and the surrounding areas.

The Trust has a Mission Statement. All activities that we carry out must adhere to at least one of the points in our mission statement.

Our mission is to:

- Share the relevance of the Christian faith with young people
- Support and promote excellence in religious education, Assemblies and Schools' work
- Partner with Christian communities in providing opportunities for children and young people to explore the Christian faith

Founded in 1993, the work has developed and multiplied. Support is currently being given to primary and secondary schools, the local education authority and churches of all denominations.

Grant-making policy

The Trust does not normally make grants. A specific decision of the Trustees, following

appropriate enquiries, is necessary before a grant could be made.

Investments policy

The Trust seeks funds to support its current program. It does not currently have any long-term investments. Specific investment powers are included in clause 3 of the Declaration of Trust.

Volunteers and Supporters

Volunteers of the trust offer support by praying for the trust it's work and workers. They do this on their own and also through meeting together for prayer. The staff compose a monthly news sheet which includes news of our work and points to pray for.

2019 saw the trust introduce "Mission Partners". These are gifted individuals who support our staff in their work in a practical way both on an ad-hoc and unpaid basis. The Trustees currently has one Volunteer Mission Partner.

Section D. Achievements and performance for the public benefit

Overview

From Sept 2022, with restrictions in place in school being removed, staff continued to work on their contracted hours. The team continued to rebuild their links with schools and form new links with schools that we had lost contact with.

The team have continued to update our weekly assemblies programme and they have produced some "specials" e.g., the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and the King's Coronation.

The trustees welcomed a new trustee in 2023. He attended his first meeting as a trustee in June 2023 and will shadow our current treasurer.

Staffing

It has been a difficult year for the trust with considerable Changes of staff, our secondary school worker left the trust in August 2022 and our team leader moved on at the end of December 2022. However, we were able to employ two new staff members in September 2022 one of which was a previous Volunteer Mission Partner. One of the current staff took over the roll as Team Leader in January 2023. This has meant an increase in agreed hours contracted to work.

Secondary schools

Due to the fact that our secondary school worker left in August 2022 and that the trust has been unable to employ a suitable replacement the trust has been unable to undertake any input into our secondary schools.

The trustees are currently reviewing what shape our input into Secondary schools might look like and are planning to employ a suitable replacement

Primary schools

The Trust continues to develop its work in primary schools. Throughout 2022 and 2023 both our staff have produced weekly in school assemblies, lessons and projects which have been widely used and valued by many schools. The trust has currently links with around 35 local schools and visit most on a regular basis. Many new lessons have been written to link with the new Greater Manchester R. E. curriculum. The staff has also received training on "Prayer Spaces in Schools" a U.K. wide organisation and the trust has now become a hub for Prayer Spaces. Partly due to the current "Mental health" amongst children these Spaces have become very popular and useful to schools and they are making use of them.

During the year our staff planned and led around 150 workshops as well as taking over 160 lessons plus assemblies and have had contact with around 10,000 children

The trust also works in conjunction with the "Heaton's churches Partnership" to resource and manage input into the schools there and to build links with churches, One member of staff takes overall responsibility for this and attends the church leaders meetings

Development work

Trust employees and some Trustees visit local churches and related organizations to promote the work of the Trust. Networking with Christian organizations and educational bodies is an important part of the Trust's work. The Trust has played a significant part in facilitating partnership work within Stockport schools.

Over recent years the staff team have continued to develop more projects for schools. The projects that have been developed so far are aimed mainly at key stage 2 and 3 children which have been well received.

The staff have all continued to developed some sessions and projects suitable for reception and Key stage 1 children, The Trusts intention is to rebuild links with the secondary schools develop the Prayer or reflective spaces projects more and encourage local churches to take an active interest in and serve their local schools where possible.

The trustees continue to make sure we comply with current Data Protection and our privacy policy, making sure both are up to date.

As a trust we are committed to having a high standard of safeguarding both for our staff and those they come in contact with. The trust has a safeguarding policy and we review this policy at regular intervals.

Through one of our trustees, the trust also has representation on the local authority's [Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education](#)

Safeguarding

Safeguarding training for staff and our safeguarding trustee was completed in a local school in September of 2022 where they joined with the school staff on their safeguarding training day. The trustee's hope that staff will continue to have access to in-school training this coming academic year. One member of staff has also undergone Mental Health First Aid training with MHFA England and is now a qualified Metal health First aider. Our Safeguarding trustee and team lead has had "Safer Recruitment" training. The Trustees have also done some on-line training in "Safeguarding" and "Safer Recruitment" recently.

Our Safeguarding policy is discussed at each trustees meeting and reviewed yearly

Internet resources

The Christians in Schools Trust web site (www.cist.org.uk), was originally launched in September 2000. The website continues to be upgraded and developed as a point of information. Our website was redesigned, edited and our new site was launched at Easter term of 2021 and is updated by our "Team Leader"

The staff also use other social media sites such as "Facebook" and "Instagram" to keep our supporters informed on a regular basis.

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in planning all our activities.

Serious Incidents

There were no serious incidents relating to the charity during the previous year that the Trustees neglected to inform the Charity Commission.

This report was approved by the Trustees at a meeting on 7th September 2023

Section E. Financial review**Income 2022 – 2023**

Donations are received from supporting churches and individuals who support our mission/ General gifts received during the year of operation totalled £20,838 from churches and £25,980. from individuals. The total of tax recovered was £3,072.00. A further £7,200 came from the service agreement with the Heaton's' Group of Churches. The trust also received a further £1,688.00 in one off gifts

Expenditure 2022 – 2023

Employee costs totalled £31452 for salaries and pensions, £621.00 for expenses. Support and Administration and I.T. costs for the year were £2392.00. We also gifted £1050.00 to St Matthews Church for the use of St Matthews Church House as an office.

Budget for 2023 – 2024

Total Assets at the start of the next year are £137,223 The trusts budget for 2023-2024 is £54,513 Our aim is to have a balanced budget for the year; however, we currently hold enough reserves to cover any shortfall.

Reserves policy

Trustees are alerted when funds fall to near three months working expense and appeals to supporters are initiated as required. The Trust's funds include a sum of £9,230.00. which covers 90 days of total salary's, our employer's financial responsibilities and any other financial commitments that the trust has. Due to the fact that we have been unable to employ a further worker this year. We should be able to continue to operate at the current level for a lest the next 24 months

Capital expenditure policy

Items of capital expenditure costing over £500 that have been bought for the use of the Trust and its employees, these are treated as investment assets and are normally depreciated in four equal annual steps of 25%.

Charity number 1019848

Christians in Schools Trust
ending 31st July 2023

Financial Year

Section G. Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustee's report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity

Mr Stephen Innes
Chair of Trustees

Mrs Deborah Allen
Secretary & Trustee

Charity number 1019848

Christians in Schools Trust
Year ending 31st July 2023

Financial



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Christians in Schools Trust

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 8/1/2022	To	Period end date 7/31/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Church Gifts	20,838	-	-	20,838	24,687
Personal Gifts	26,145	-	-	26,145	16,891
Tax Reclaimed	3,072	-	-	3,072	3,314
Other Gifts	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	1,688	-	-	1,688	767
Heatons Service Income	7,200	-	-	7,200	6,800
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-
Sales	-	-	-	-	29
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	58,943	-	-	58,943	52,488
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	58,943	-	-	58,943	52,488
A3 Payments					
Employee Salaries	28,028	-	-	28,028	25,010
HMRC (includes NI)	1,614	-	-	1,614	1,859
Nest Pensions	1,810	-	-	1,810	1,125
Staff Training	353	-	-	353	143
Employee Expenses	621	-	-	621	874
Office Costs	1,451	-	-	1,451	1,031
Insurance	865	-	-	865	882
IT Costs	941	-	-	941	416
Fundraising Costs	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	35,683	-	-	35,683	31,340
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment Purchase	220	-	-	220	120
Material costs	1,013	-	-	1,013	758
Sub total	1,233	-	-	1,233	878
Total payments	36,916	-	-	36,916	32,218
Net of receipts/(payments)	22,027	-	-	22,027	20,271
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	22,027	-	-	22,027	20,271

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	42,124	-	-
	Deposit Account	95,099	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	137,223	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

	Print Name	Date of approval
Stephen Innes	Stephen Innes	
Joseph Whetham #	Joseph Whetham	

Christians in Schools Trust

Charity Commission Number 1019846
Year ending 31st July 2023

Financial

Independent Examiner's Report on the accounts

I report to the Trustees of Christians in Schools Trust on the accounts for the year ended 31st July 2023

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 42(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (The Act) and that an independent examination is needed

It is my responsibility to:-

Examine the accounts (under section 43(34)(a)) of the Act

Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b)) of the Act and

State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's statement

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 accounts. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required for an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

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
2. - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act and
3. - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have been met.
4. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Original signed by Mrs Jeanette Sumner

CHRISTIANS IN SCHOOLS TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1019848

Accounts

**Trustees' Annual Report
for the period 01/08/21 to**

31/07/22

**Section A. Reference and administration
Details**

Charity name

Christians in Schools Trust

Registered charity number

Registered charity number 1019848.

Charity's principal address

The principal address for the charity is that of the
Treasurer

Mr. Joseph Alec Whetham, 35 Drayton Drive, Heald Green,
Stockport, SK8 3LE.

Office Address

Church House 99 Chatham Street Stockport SK3 9EG

Trustees

As at the end of the financial year, 31st July
2022:

Mr Stephen Innes (Trust Chairman)
Mrs Jo Lawrinson (Secretary
& Safeguarding)
Mr Joseph Alec Whetham (Trust Treasurer)
Mrs Deborah Allen
Mrs Vivienne Allen
Mrs Janet Elizabeth Ford
Mrs Christine Joyce Hall
Mrs Gill Golding

**Section B. Structure, governance and
management**

Governing document

The charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust made on 17th
March 1993.

Trustee selection methods

Clause 6 of the Declaration of Trust which governs the trustees provides for not less
than 3 nor more than 9 trustees. Each trustee is required to assent in writing to the
doctrinal basis of this trust. The appointment of new trustees is by the continuing

trustees. There are no custodian trustees. The Trustees met 7 times during the year and the average attendance was 73%. No trustee attended less than 50% of trustee meeting, Apologies were given at all times.

Review of major risks

Major risks are reviewed at trustee meetings. Systems designed to mitigate significant risks are introduced as necessary. Trust policies are reviewed and updated on a regular basis.

Section C. Objectives and activities for the public benefit

Objects of the charity

The purpose of the Trust is the advancement of Christian religion as follows:

The proclamation and furtherance of the Gospel of God concerning his Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord and the preaching and teaching of the Christian Faith in schools throughout the Stockport area and elsewhere.

The organization, sponsorship and promotion of Inter-denominational Christian work throughout the Stockport area and elsewhere the object of which shall be to present to men, women, young people and children the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord by all possible means.

The trust

The Trust is committed to providing Christian support for schools. Funds are provided by gifts from churches and individual supporters, mainly from Stockport and the surrounding areas.

The Trustees updated our Mission Statement last year to reflect more the work that we do and how we do it.

Our mission is to:

- Share the relevance of the Christian faith with young people
- Support and promote excellence in religious education, Assemblies and Schools' work
- Partner with Christian communities in providing opportunities for children and young people to explore the Christian faith

Founded in 1993, in association with Scripture Union, the work has developed and multiplied. Support is currently being given to primary and secondary schools, local

education authorities and churches of all denominations.

Grant-making policy

The Trust does not normally make grants. A specific decision of the Trustees, following appropriate enquiries, is necessary before a grant could be made.

Investments policy

The Trust seeks funds to support its current program. It does not currently have any long-term investments. Specific investment powers are included in clause 3 of the Declaration of Trust.

Volunteers

Volunteers of the trust offer support by praying for the trust it's work and workers. They do this on their own and also through meeting together for prayer. The staff compose a regular news sheet which includes news of our work and points to pray for.

2019 saw the trust introduce "Mission Partners". These are gifted individuals who support our staff in their work in a practical way both on an ad-hoc and unpaid basis. The Trustees currently have two Volunteer Mission Partners.

Section D. Achievements and performance for the public benefit

Overview

From Sept 2021, with restrictions in place in school being removed, staff returned to work on their contracted hours. The team began to rebuild their links with schools which at times has been difficult due to the two years disruption due to COVID, school closures plus restrictions regarding outside visitors and staff furlough.

Sarah and the team have continued to update our weekly Assemblies program and they have also produced some "specials" e.g. For the Jubilee

The majority of the work in schools includes taking assemblies, supporting Christian clubs to which all pupils are welcome and involvement in the RE/PSHE curriculum at the request of the school's management.

The trustees welcomed Mrs Gill Golding as a new trustee in 2022. She attended her first meeting as a trustee in May 2022

Staffing

It has been a difficult year for the trust with considerable staff absence due to sickness. During the last year however, the staff have reengaged with schools and have therefore carried out less of their work from home. Due to the staff sickness and the demands

from schools. The trustees entered into a zero hours contract with one of our volunteers Mrs Catherine Fullalove to enable her to lead sessions independently. She has worked Add-hock hours each week since.

Secondary schools

Since September 2021 Hannah has found that the work in Secondary schools has been considerably more difficult, but has had opportunities to deliver some lunch clubs and a wellbeing discussion group. She has continued to spend time in primary schools work mainly in the “Heaton’s” area of Stockport.

The majority of the work in schools includes taking assemblies, supporting Christian clubs to which all pupils are welcome and involvement in the RE/PSHE curriculum at the request of the school’s management.

Primary schools

The Trust continues to develop its work in primary schools. Throughout 2021 and 2022 both Sarah (our Team Lead) and Hannah have produced weekly in school assemblies, lessons and projects which have been widely used and valued by many schools. Catherine has supported this work during 2022.

The trust also works in conjunction with the “Heaton’s churches Partnership” to resource and manage input into the schools there and to build links with churches. Hannah has responsibility for this.

Development work

Trust employees and some Trustees visit local churches and related organizations to promote the work of the Trust. Networking with Christian organizations and educational bodies is an important part of the Trust’s work. The Trust has played a significant part in facilitating partnership work within Stockport schools.

Over recent years the staff team have continued to develop more projects for schools. The projects that have been developed so far are aimed mainly at key stage 2 children which have been well received.

The staff have all continued to develop some sessions and projects. The staff have trialled a wellbeing project in junior schools based on the S. U. material “rooted” that was developed further in-house. The Trusts intention is that any lunch time or after School clubs will be supported by and have a link with a local church or Christian community. The Trust has introduced a “partnership agreement” to confirm appropriate safeguarding is in place for staff/volunteers from outside the Trust.

The trustees continue to make sure we comply with current Data Protection and our privacy policy, making sure both are up to date.

Christians in Schools Trust

Charity number 1019848

Financial Year

ending 31st July 2022

As a trust we are committed to having a high standard of safeguarding both for our staff and those they come in contact with. The trust has a safeguarding policy and we review this policy at regular intervals. The policy is also available on our website www.cist.org.uk

Safeguarding training for staff was completed in a local school in September of 2021 where they joined with the school staff on their safeguarding training day. The trustee's hope that staff will continue to have access to in-school training this coming academic year. Sarah and Hannah have also undergone Mental Health First Aid training with MHFA England and are now qualified Mental health First aiders. Jo Lawrinson (trustee) has continued to develop both our safeguarding policies and also "Safer Recruitment" The Trustees have also done some on-line training in "Safeguarding" and "Safer Recruitment" this year. Jo Lawrinson and Sarah have completed accredited Safer Recruitment training this year.

Through one of our trustees the trust also has representation on the local authority's [Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education](#)

Internet resources

The Christians in Schools Trust web site (www.cist.org.uk), was originally launched in September 2000. The website continues to be upgraded and developed as a point of information. Our website was redesigned, edited and our new site was launched at Easter term of 2021 and is updated by our "Team Leader"

The staff also use other social media sites such as "Facebook" and "Instagram" to keep our supporters informed on a regular basis.

Section E. Financial review

Income 2021-2022

General gifts received during the year of operation totalled £24,687 from churches and £16,891 from individuals. The total of tax recovered was £3,314.00. A further £6,800 came from the service agreement with the Heaton's' Group of Churches. The trust also received £444.00 from the Governments "Furlough" scheme

Expenditure 2021 - 2022

Employee costs totalled £25,010 for salaries and £874 for expenses. Support and Administration costs for the year were £1,050. We also gifted £1000 to St Matthews Church for the use of St Matthews Church House as an office.

Budget for 2022 - 2023

Total Assets at the start of the next year are £118,690 The trusts budget for 2022-2023 is £52,297 Our aim is to have a balanced budget for the year; however, we hold enough reserves to cover any shortfall.

Reserves policy

Trustees are alerted when funds fall to near three months working expense and appeals to supporters are initiated as required. The Trust's funds include a sum of £7,490. which covers 90 days of total salary's, our employer's financial responsibilities and any other financial commitments that the trust has.

Capital expenditure policy

Items of capital expenditure costing over £500 that have been bought for the use of the Trust and its employees are treated as investment assets and are normally depreciated in four equal annual steps of 25%.

Covid Effects

Like all charities the trust has seen a reduction in giving, but due to prudent management and a reduction in staff we are at present in a healthy place financially. We anticipate that over the next 12 month we will need to increase our staff to cope with the growing demands of the work. We have also had much less government financial support for Covid during the last year

Section G. Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustee's report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Original signed by

Mr Stephen Innes
Chairman of Trustees
8 Highfield Road
Hazel Grove
Stockport
Cheshire SK7 6NS

Mrs Deborah Allen
Trustee
118 Mile End Lane
Stockport
Cheshire SK2 6BY



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 8/1/2021	To	Period end date 7/31/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
Church Gifts	24,687	-	-	24,687
Personal Gifts	16,891	-	-	16,891
Tax Reclaimed	3,314	-	-	3,314
Other Gifts		-	-	-
Grants	767	-	-	767
Heatons Service Income	6,800	-	-	6,800
Investment Income	-	-	-	-
Sales	29	-	-	29
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	52,488	-	-	52,488
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	52,488	-	-	52,488
A3 Payments				
Employee Salaries	25,010	-	-	25,010
HMRC(includes NI)	1,859	-	-	1,859
Nest Pensions	1,125	-	-	1,125
Staff Training	143	-	-	143
Employee Expenses	874	-	-	874
Office Costs	1,031	-	-	1,031
Insurance	882	-	-	882
IT Costs	416	-	-	416
Fundraising Costs	-	-	-	-
Sub total	31,340	-	-	31,340
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
Equipment Purchase	120	-	-	120
Material costs	758	-	-	758
Sub total	878	-	-	878
Total payments	32,218	-	-	32,218
Net of receipts/(payments)	20,271	-	-	20,271
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	20,271	-	-	20,271

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	53,661	-
	Deposit Account	65,029	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	118,690	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
			-
			-
			-
			-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
			-
			-
			-
			-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name
Original signed by	Stephen Innes
Original signed by	Deborah Allen

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Last year

to the nearest £

24,685
17,948
3,449
12,638
-
3,070
131
-
61,921

-
-

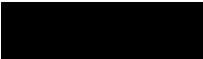
61,921

25,970
1,188
1,235
80
845
1,000
1,026
301
-
31,645

-

31,645

30,276
-
-
30,276



Endowment funds

to nearest £

-
-
-
-

OK

Endowment funds

to nearest £

-
-
-
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-

Current value (optional)

-
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Current value (optional)

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-
-
-
-
-

When due (optional)

Date of approval

9/5/2022

9/5/2022

CHRISTIANS IN SCHOOLS TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1019848

Accounts

**Trustees' Annual Report
for the period 01/08/20 to**

31/07/21

**Section A. Reference and administration
Details**

Charity name

Christians in Schools Trust

Registered charity number

Registered charity number 1019848.

Charity's principal address

The principal address for the charity is that of the
Treasurer

Mr. Joseph Alec Whetham, 35 Drayton Drive, Heald Green,
Stockport, SK8 3LE.

Office Address

Church House 99 Chatham Street Stockport SK3 9EG

Trustees

As at the end of the financial year, 31st July
2021:

Mr Stephen Innes (Trust Chairman)
Mrs Jo Lawrinson (Secretary
& Safeguarding)
Mr Joseph Alec Whetham (Trust Treasurer)
Mrs Deborah Allen
Mrs Vivienne Allen
Mrs Janet Elizabeth Ford
Mrs Christine Joyce Hall

**Section B. Structure, governance and
management**

Governing document

The charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust made on 17th
March 1993.

Trustee selection methods

Clause 6 of the Declaration of Trust which governs the trustees provides for not less than 3 nor more than 9 trustees. Each trustee is required to assent in writing to the doctrinal basis of this trust. The appointment of new trustees is by the continuing trustees. There are no custodian trustees. The Trustees met 5 times during the year and

the average attendance was 80%. Only one trustee attended less than 50% of trustee meeting, Apologies were given at all times.

Review of major risks

Major risks are reviewed at trustee meetings. Systems designed to mitigate significant risks are introduced as necessary. Trust policies are reviewed and updated on a regular basis.

Section C. Objectives and activities for the public benefit

Objects of the charity

The purpose of the Trust is the advancement of Christian religion as follows:

The proclamation and furtherance of the Gospel of God concerning his Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord and the preaching and teaching of the Christian Faith in schools throughout the Stockport area and elsewhere.

The organization, sponsorship and promotion of Inter-denominational Christian work throughout the Stockport area and elsewhere the object of which shall be to present to men, women, young people and children the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord by all possible means.

The trust

The Trust is committed to providing Christian support for schools. Funds are provided by gifts from churches and individual supporters, mainly from the Stockport and the surrounding areas.

The Trustees updated our Mission Statement last year to reflect more the work that we do and how we do it.

Our mission is to:

- share the relevance of the Christian faith with young people
- support and promote excellence in religious education, Assemblies and Schools' work
- To Partner with Christian communities in providing opportunities for children and young people to explore the Christian faith

Founded in 1993, in association with Scripture Union, the work has developed and multiplied. Support is currently being given to primary and secondary schools, local education authorities and churches of all denominations.

Grant-making policy

The Trust does not normally make grants. A specific decision of the Trustees, following appropriate enquiries, is necessary before a grant could be

made.

Investments policy

The Trust seeks funds to support its current program. It does not currently have any long-term investments. Specific investment powers are included in clause 3 of the Declaration of Trust.

Volunteers

Volunteers of the trust offer support by praying for the trust it's work and workers. They do this on their own and also through meeting together for prayer. The staff compose a monthly news sheet which includes news of our work and points to pray for.

2019 saw the trust introduce "Mission Partners". These are gifted individuals who support our staff in their work in a practical way both on an ad-hoc and unpaid basis.

The Trustees have so far recruited two Volunteer Mission Partners.

Section D. Achievements and performance for the public benefit

Overview

From Sept 2020, with restrictions in place in school, staff returned to work on a part-time basis with flexible furlough. The possibility for work was further curtailed from Jan 2021- Mar 2021 due to the second national lockdown. From Easter onwards, staff increased their contact time in schools and were booked to deliver a transition project for Year 6 students across 21 schools. This was particularly valued by schools this year as transition visits to secondary schools were not possible during the summer term.

The Staff team continued to be on part time "furlough" to date. Because of the removal of national restrictions in schools, including the ability to hold assemblies, the level of bookings from schools has increased and so the trustees expect that the staff will return to their normal working hours in September 2021. During the last year the trust has received financial support from the government's "furlough" scheme.

Staffing

In August of 2020 Mr Joshua Openshaw left the trust to begin training for the role of "Minister" within the Church of England. This meant a little reorganisation of our work. Due to the Current Covid situation the trustees decided not to replace him at present. During the last year the staff have carried out the majority of their work from home. Some school visits have taken place whilst some filming and recording of sessions was done at the office working socially distant.

Secondary schools

In January 2020 Miss Hannah Moore joined the trust full time and spends her time working in both Primary and Secondary schools. She was just getting into her role when schools closed due to the pandemic. Since schools have reopened Hannah has found it difficult to re connect with secondary schools. She has however from September 2020 supplied on-line material and done a small amount of in-school work.

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ending 31st July 2021

The majority of the work in schools includes taking assemblies, supporting Christian clubs to which all pupils are welcome and involvement in the RE/PSHE curriculum at the request of the school's management.

This year Hannah got married and will therefore be known as Hannah Buckley from now on.

Primary schools

The Trust continues to develop its work in primary schools. Throughout 2020 and 2021 both Sarah and Hannah have produced weekly on-line assemblies, lessons and projects which have been widely used and valued by many schools. Since the Easter holidays both staff have begun to re-engage with schools and their workload has increased steadily. Our "it's your move" projects aimed at year six children was this year fully booked.

The trust also works in conjunction with the "Heaton's churches Partnership" to resource and manage input into the schools there and to build links with churches, Hannah has taken over this role from Joshua Openshaw.

The primary RE scheme, Primary Vision, has been removed from our web-site as it is now out of date.

Development work

Trust employees and some Trustees visit local churches and related organizations to promote the work of the Trust. Networking with Christian organizations and educational bodies is an important part of the Trust's work. The Trust has played a significant part in facilitating partnership work within Stockport schools and bringing together others who work in this way.

Since February of 2016 the staff team has begun to develop far more projects for schools. The projects that have been developed so far are aimed mainly at key stage 2 and 3 children which have been well received.

The staff have continued to develop some sessions and projects suitable for Key stage 1 children, Sarah has continued to develop lunch time clubs using material from Scripture Union and also material which they have developed themselves. The Trusts intention is that any Lunch time or after School clubs will be supported by and have a link with a local church or Christian community.

The trustees continue to make sure we comply with current Data Protection and our privacy policy, making sure both are up to date.

As a trust we are committed to having a high standard of safeguarding both for our staff and those they come in contact with. The trust has a safeguarding policy and we review this policy at regular intervals.

Safeguarding training for staff was completed on-line rather than in school due to restricted access to in-person training. The expectation is that staff will access in-

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school training this coming academic year. Jo Lawrinson (trustee) who took over the role of safeguarding from Viv Allen in April 2021 attended safeguarding training for trustees provided by thirtyone:eight.

Through some of our trustees the trust also has representation on the local authority's [Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education](#)

Internet resources

The Christians in Schools Trust web site (www.cist.org.uk), was originally launched in September 2000. In June 2004 it was extended with further lessons, resources, subject maps and assembly outlines to link the lessons to the latest revision Stockport syllabus. The website continues to be upgraded and developed as a point of information. Our website was redesigned, edited and our new site was launched at Easter term of 2021.

The staff also use other social media sites such as "Facebook" to keep our supporters informed on a regular basis.

Section E. Financial review

Income 2019-20

General gifts received during the year of operation totalled £24,685 from churches and £17,948 from individuals. We also received £1,000 from the "Lindow Trust". The total of tax recovered was £3,449. A further £3070 came from the service agreement with the Heatons' Group of Churches. The trust also received £10,638 from the Governments "Furlough" scheme

Expenditure 2019 - 2020

Employee costs totalled £25,970 for salaries and £845 for expenses. Support and Administration costs for the year were £2,600

Budget for 2020 - 2021

Total Assets at the start of the next year are £98,421 The trusts budget for 2020-2021 is £51,940 Our aim is to have a balanced budget for the year; however, we hold enough reserves to cover any shortfall.

Reserves policy

Trustees are alerted when funds fall to near three months working expense and appeals to supporters are initiated as required. The Trusts funds include a sum of £8,750 which covers 90 days of total salaries, our employer's financial responsibilities and any other financial commitments that the trust has.

Capital expenditure policy

Items of capital expenditure costing over £500 that have been bought for the use of the Trust and its employees are treated as investment assets and are normally depreciated in four equal annual steps of 25%.

Covid Effects

Like all charities the trust has seen a reduction in giving, but due to prudent management and a reduction in staff we are at present in a healthy place financially. We anticipate that over the next 12 months we will need to increase our staff to cope with the growing demands of the work.

Section G. Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustee's report above.

Original Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Mr Stephen Innes
Chairman of Trustees
8 Highfield Road
Hazel Grove
Stockport

Cheshire SK7 6NS

05/09/2021

Christians in Schools Trust

Charity number 1019848

Financial Year

Mrs Deborah Allen
Trustee
118 Mile End Lane
Stockport

ending 31st July 2021
Cheshire SK2 6BY

05/09/2021



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Christians in Schools Trust	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 8/1/2020	To	Period end date 7/31/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
Church Gifts	24,685	-	-	24,685
Personal Gifts	17,948	-	-	17,948
Tax Reclaimed	3,449	-	-	3,449
Other Gifts	12,638	-	-	12,638
Grants		-	-	-
Heatons Service Income	3,070	-	-	3,070
Investment Income	131	-	-	131
Bequest & Legacies		-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	61,921	-	-	61,921
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	61,921	-	-	61,921
A3 Payments				
Employee Salaries	25,970	-	-	25,970
HMRC (includes NI)	1,188	-	-	1,188
Nest Pensions	1,235	-	-	1,235
Staff Training	80	-	-	80
Employee Expenses	845	-	-	845
Office Costs	1,000	-	-	1,000
Insurance	1,026	-	-	1,026
IT Costs	301	-	-	301
Fundraising Costs	-	-	-	-
Sub total	31,646	-	-	31,646
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
Equipment Purchase	-	-	-	-
Materials Costs	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	31,646	-	-	31,646
Net of receipts/(payments)	30,275	-	-	30,275
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	30,275	-	-	30,275

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	33,398	-
	Deposit Account	65,023	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	98,421	-
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B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name
Original signed by	Stephen Innes
Original signed by	Janet Ford

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Last year
to the nearest £

23,329
24,598
2,584
13,479
-
13,525
-
-
77,515

-
-

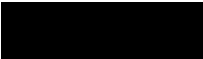
77,515

42,895
5,149
2,465
-
1,893
982
982
250
-
54,616

-
-

54,616

22,899
-
-
22,899



Endowment funds

to nearest £

-
-
-
-

OK

Endowment funds

to nearest £

-
-
-
-
-
-

Current value (optional)

-
-
-
-
-

Current value (optional)

-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-

When due (optional)

Date of approval

9/2/2021

9/2/2021

Christians In Schools Trust

Charity Commission Number 1019846
Financial Year ending 31st July 2021

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

I report to the Trustees of Christians in Schools Trust on the accounts for the year ended 31st July 2021

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 42(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:-

Examine the accounts (under section 43(34)(a) of the Act:
Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act and
State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's statement

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 accounts. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required for an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

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 41 of the Act and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met.

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Original signed by Kate J Kinsey