



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	Sept	2022	To	31	August	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **Cornerstone Christian Fellowship**

Other names charity is known by **The Attic Charity Shop (Winlaton)**

Registered charity number (if any) **1048202**

Charity's principal address **Whitewell Road**

Winlaton, Blaydon on Tyne

Tyne and Wear

Postcode

NE21 5EL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Samuel Allport	Safeguarding		Church Members
2	Pamela Cook	Chair		Church Members
3	Alan Foggin	Treasurer		Church Members
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Chris Thompson - Manager

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

DECLARATION OF CHARITABLE TRUSTS

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

TRUST

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

ELECTED BY CHURCH MEMBERS AND DEACONS

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The organisational structure is as follows...

Cornerstone Christian Fellowship (Cornerstone) is the charity name. This is an umbrella for three areas of work. The church itself, The Attic Charity Shop, and the newly developing community hub.

Cornerstone is currently a standalone charity with no wider network. Though as part of the ongoing work to develop the community hub we are exploring other organisations we could joint work with to provide greater support.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

<p>Advancement of Christian Faith in the UK and Overseas</p> <p>Worldwide relief of Persons Experiencing Need, Hardship or Distress or who are Aged and/or Sick</p> <p>Advancement of Christian Principled Education, where Applicable and Acceptable in the World</p>	
<p>A Manager was appointed to oversee the organisation as a whole. This was achieved with the support of the McGee Trust who offered a monthly salary of £500 to enable Cornerstone to appoint to this much needed role.</p> <p>Primary focus of the role included working to advance the charity as a whole in order to make more of an impact, use of resources and be sustainable for the future. Significant work involved the updating of the building, including the physical structure, health and safety aspects, policies and procedures as well as the development of vision/plans for the charity moving forward.</p>	
<p><u>Donations to Charities and Organisations via the Church arm of Cornerstone</u></p>	
<p>Yearly Donation towards Childs Education in Kenya - £511.00</p>	
<p>Donation to Blaydon Cricket Club to repair damage caused by vandalism. - £300.00</p>	
<p><u>Donations to other charities via The Attic Charity Shop arm of Cornerstone</u></p>	
Smiletrain	£314.00
UNICEF	£250.00
<p><u>Total amount £1375.00</u></p>	

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Volunteers have been an invaluable part of the charity over the last year, helping with decorating and maintenance where applicable. This was especially the case with the charity shop when it had to relocate unexpectedly due to structural issues in the rental property, we were in. The new premises required, and continues to require work (including staffing) which volunteers have continually been a vital part of.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Cornerstone has made significant steps this year to not only safeguard its longevity, but also commit to finding a way to better support the local community. While initially this has meant a lot of focus has had to be internally with significant updates and cost to the premise's, this will ensure we are meeting current codes and able to provide a safe place. This was never more evident than with the installation of a new heating system which replaced an unreliable, inefficient and temperamental old one pipe system.

In addition to this we have updated our fire system (Emergency exits, alarm, emergency lights, signage etc), as well as all related documentation with new systems in place for recording etc.

As mentioned previously, The Attic charity shop has relocated and has proven to be a welcomed and valued part of the local community. Which in turn has helped us address some of the aforementioned areas.

Part of the revamp over the past year has also included the appointment of 3 new trustees and a manager to oversee the entire Cornerstone charity. Despite only being able to offer a nominal wage through the help and support of the McGee Trust, Chris Thompson has committed to the charity (and the role) in order to move this all forward, which has made a significant impact. So much so that we are just starting to open a community café, free to all and providing a place for support, fun, connection and hopefully much more as this develops.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are the actual "End of Year" Balances, plus any floats on each Bank Accounts, i.e.: -

The Cornerstone Christian Fellowship (Church) & our Associated Charity Shop – "The Attic"

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The principal source of funding comes from the charity shop, with small additional amounts of funding from the church members tithing.

As mentioned above the expenditure this year has been more internally focused and has helped us significantly update the building to ensure it can be utilised further/better for the local community.

In addition to our own expenditure, we were also successful in being granted funding for a new heating & hot water system for the building. The grant received from The Suez Trust to install new Heating System was a significant and much needed boost. Although the entire system was £60,000, we were successful in gaining the maximum £50,000. Without which we may have had to close due to the insufficient, temperamental, inconsistent and wholly ineffective old system.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Samuel Allport, Pamela Cook	Alan James Foggin
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Treasurer
Date	26/02/24	

THE ATTIC CHARITY SHOP (Winlaton)			
A Subsidiary of Cornerstone Christian Fellowship		Charity No 1048202	
Attic Finances 1 st Sept 2022 – 31st Aug 2023			
Income		Expenditure	
	£'s		£'s
Opening Bank Balance: -	25757.12		
Float	80.00	Stationary	488.36
		Rent	5906.22
Daily Receipts	23199.05	Rates/Water Rates	488.79
Donations	20.00	Insurance	735.06
Sale of Jewellery	231.00	Security & Alarm	25.00
ECS Textiles	554.00	Electricity	1822.07
Float	20.00	Phone	11.76
***Collection Box	64.00	Sundries & other Exps	2521.84
Refunded Purchases	307.57	Shop Fittings	3137.30
		Charities:- ***Smile Train = £64.00 CCF = £24960.00 UNICEF = £250.00 Smiletrain = £250.00	25524.00
		Refuse Removal	858.86
Total Income	<u>24395.62</u>	Total Expenditure	<u>41518.87</u>
		Bank Acc Balance 31/08/23	8613.87
		Float	100.00
Total inc 2022 Balance	50232.74	Total	50232.74

I have Examined and Verified the Attic Charity Shop Accounts and in my opinion these give a true and fair view of its affairs at 31/08/2023

SIGNED.....*P. Gellard*..... DATE.....*25/09/23*.....

(Examiner, Verifier)

CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP			
Charity No 1048202			
Church Finances 1 st Sept 2022 – 31 st Aug 2023			
Income		Expenditure	
Opening Bank Balance: -	2579.18		
		Rates/Water Rates	406.89
		Phone	165.21
Gen Offering inc DDM	5396.62	Insurance	2353.70
Gift Aid Offerings inc DDM	8665.00	Security	18200.54
Gift Aid Tax Refund	1385.00	Gas & Electricity	4078.40
Donations/Gifts 12270.00 Barack = 165.10 *MaGhee Trust = 6000.00 Attic = 15000.00 Grantscape = 50000.00	83435.10	Heating Inst = 57127.69 Maintenance = 1971.02	59098.71
		Books, CD,s Legal	975.63
		Social Activities	1385.55
		Charities & Gifts- Barack = 511.00 Blaydon CC = 300.00	811.00
		Child Protection	0.00
		Pulpit Supply	1250.00
		*Wage to MD	9000.00
Total Income	<u>98881.72</u>	Total Expenditure	<u>97725.63</u>
		Bank Acc Balance 31/08/23	3735.27 ✓
Total Income inc 2022 Bal	101460.90	Total	101460.90

I have Examined and Verified the Cornerstone Christian Fellowship Accounts and in my opinion these give a true and fair view of its affairs at 31/08/2023

SIGNED.....*P. Gifford*.....

DATE.....*25/09/23*.....

(Examiner, Verifier)



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
The Attic Charity Shop (Part of Cornerstone Christian Fellowship)

On accounts for the year
ended

1st Sept 2022 - 31st Aug 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1048202

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/08/2023**

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:

P. Telford

Date:

25/09/23

Name:

PETER TELFORD

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

FCCA

Address:

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Cornerstone Christian Fellowship

On accounts for the year
ended

1st Sept 2022 - 31st Aug 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1048202

Set out on pages

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Responsibilities and
basis of report

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of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act
2011 ("the Act").

Independent
examiner's statement

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.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have
come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with
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Signed:

P. Telford

Date:

25/09/23

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