

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2021

Trustees

David Bolton, Senior Pastor (**Chair**)

David Onyekwe

Robert Page

John Partington

Church Elders (Church Council)

David Bolton, Senior Pastor (**Chair**) *(with oversight of vision, teaching, pastoral care & administration)*

Leanne Bolton, Senior Pastor *(with oversight of worship, children's ministry and evangelism)*

David Onyekwe, Elder *(with oversight of Finance)*

Holding Trustees

(in order of appointment)

Peter Gale

Richard Norton

David Onyekwe

David Bolton

Registered Charity Name and Number

Life Community Church (Warwickshire): 1052019

Principal Operating Office

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Independent Examiner of Accounts

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TRUSTEE REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 2021

The Trustees present their Annual Report together with the externally examined financial statements of Life Community Church for the year ended **30th June, 2021**. The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charity, and the charity's governing document.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Governing Documents

The Church's governing document is the "Model Constitution with Trust Deed for Local Assemblies of God" dated 6th May, 2012.

Life Community Church (Warwickshire) is a charity registered with the Charity Commission with registration number 1052019. The church is a member of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain, and the Evangelical Alliance.

Trustees

The Trustees of the Church are responsible for the day to day management of the Church's business in accordance with the Church's objects.

The Trustees meet approximately 4-8 times per year, to discuss a full range of matters relating to the life of the church including activities, finance, fabric, general administration, the implementation of the church constitution, and church membership. Decision making happens either through a simple majority vote in a meeting (a quorum being the highest of 3 or a third of the members present) or by a written resolution and signed by all the members.

One of the Church's Trustees receives remuneration for their employed position in the ministry. In compliance with Charity Commission guidelines, a greater proportion of Trustees are voluntary and receive no benefits or remuneration in connection with their duties.

Appointment of Trustees

The Church Council and Trustees of the Church identify suitable candidates, who are then invited to serve as Trustees. Their suitability for this role would be based mainly on their commitment to the Church, demonstrated by membership (or partnership), regular attendance and a high degree of involvement. Potential candidates are not appointed as Trustees due to any particular professional competence that they may be able to bring, although the Trustees do seek to ensure that an appropriate mix of skills are represented to help the charity identify and manage risks that might be faced by the Church. The induction and training process for a newly appointed Trustee, will include them having mentoring conversations with the Senior Pastor, to review their role and to seek to understand any training needs. They will also receive copies of the following documents:

- The charity's Constitution with Trust Deed
- The most recent financial statements
- Recent minutes

- Suitable Charity Commission guidance, such as CC10 "Hallmarks of a well run charity", CC3 "The Essential Trustee" and guidance noted on "The Advancement of Religion for Public Benefit"

Holding Trustees

Holding Trustees are individuals appointed to hold the property of the charity. They can only act on the lawful instructions of the charity Trustees and in accordance with any provisions contained in the governing document.

Church Members (Partners)

Church membership (or Partnership) is open to any individual who:

- By grace has exhibited saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and
- Desires to worship and serve God in the context of the statement of "What we Believe" as set out by the Assemblies of God in Great Britain, and
- Is committed to promoting the church's objects.

Church Members share in providing for the finances, administration, maintenance and activities of the church.

Risk Management

The Church's primary concern and objective is the glory of God. Whilst it is the Church's policy to trust wholly in the Lord that He will work out His purpose to this end, the Church also acknowledges that it has a responsibility both as individual members and as a body of members, for the identification and proper management of risks faced by the church in achieving its primary aim.

The Trustees have therefore sought to assess the major risks to which the Church is exposed, in particular those relating to the specific operational areas of the Church, its investments and its finances. The Trustees believe that, by monitoring reserve levels, by ensuring that controls exist over key financial systems, and by examining the operational risks faced by the Church, it has established effective systems and procedures to mitigate those risks.

Objectives and Activities

Objectives

In accordance with the Constitution, the church's purposes (or objects) for the benefit of the public, are:

- 1. To advance the Christian Faith***
- 2. To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support***
- 3. To advance education in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time may think fit.***

The Trustees do not believe that it is possible to accurately report on the individual performance of the 3 parts of the objectives above, as they are intrinsically linked, and therefore impossible to account for independently. The Trustees believe that doing so, would portray an inaccurate representation of the charity's achievements.

We are confident that we have tried to equip ordinary people from a wide variety of different backgrounds, to grow in their faith within the local community through:

- Provision of Sunday Services where anyone in the community is welcome, and can have an opportunity to worship, pray and hear teaching that can positively equip them in their lives.
- Provision of courses such as Alpha and "Freedom in Christ" open to the community, where people can discover more about the Christian Faith, as well as to develop those beliefs even further.
- Provision of "Life Groups", which are small groups designed to help people build relationships of support and care, and to provide an opportunity for them to grow in their faith.
- Pastoral Care for people living in the local community, who may need guidance, support or simply an encouraging "listening ear".
- Missionary and outreach work to help promote the faith, and to educate in the area of finances and hardship.
- As resources and team allows, the provision of community groups that can cater to the needs of parents and toddlers, as well as to build friendships among people of the wider community through the provision of creative classes. These help to integrate people from diverse backgrounds, as well as to help alleviate the problem of isolation.
- Sign-posting other organisations and ministries, to help work in partnership with others.

The Trustees are confident that with the comprehensive provision of activities to people of all age ranges and diverse backgrounds, the charity does provide benefit to the public. The Trustees and Elders of Life Community Church, are confident that the church has advanced the Christian Faith.

Public Benefit Statement

The previous section of this report, entitled "Objectives", sets out the aims and priorities of the charity.

When planning our activities for this year, the Trustees and Church Council have considered both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and the further specific guidance contained within "The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit". We have concluded that we have had due regard to the guidance in exercising our powers, and so:

1. The aims of the organisation continue to be charitable;
2. The aims and work done give identifiable benefits to the charitable sector, and both indirectly and directly to individuals in need;
3. The benefits are for the public, are not unreasonably restricted in any way, and certainly not by ability to pay;
4. There is no harm or detriment arising from the aims or activities.

Achievements and Performance

Life Community Church is an independent church and is affiliated to the Assemblies of God of Great Britain. The congregation is drawn from a wide range of cultures from across Leamington Spa and the surrounding areas, and caters for all age groups. The Church has maintained a presence in the town since 1937, and by God's grace, we continue to build on the work of previous generations. The Trustees are truly thankful to the great and growing number of volunteers who serve on many teams to help Life Community Church outwork its objectives.

Performance Against Objectives

Life Community Church meets its objectives through the delivery of activities both on a Sunday, and during the rest of the week. During the main Sunday ministry, the congregation will gather for worship and teaching. The congregation will then outwork the benefit of that teaching, often in

non-quantifiable ways, in their everyday life within the local community, as well as through the various ministries in the life of the Church.

Sunday Ministry

Sundays play a key part in the life of the church, and our Sunday Morning Family Service plays a central role in helping us to meet our aims. Over the course of the year, various teaching series were given to positively equip people to live out the Christian faith every day. Messages over the time period included:

- The Daniel Dilemma (Looking at the life of Daniel, and how he was able to stand firm but love well)
- Forward by Faith (Character series looking at faith exhibited by people from the Bible)
- One Thing: Priorities for living (Looking at some priorities to focus on in our lives)
- Days of Disruption (advent teaching series)
- Further Forward (New year series, looking at key principles for the year ahead)
- When you pause (Series on the topic of prayer)
- Epilogue (Easter teaching series)
- James: Faith in Action (Looking at the book of James, unpacking practical application)
- Hezekiah: Leaving Lockdown (Applying principle from Hezekiah's life as we leave lockdown as a nation)

Pre pandemic, messages were recorded and placed on the website, for the benefit of people in the community at large to listen to, as well as church members. However, the pandemic forced us to livestream online onto Facebook (and eventually YouTube as well). New skills were learned, new equipment bought, and a whole new era was entered for the church. We had people watching out Sunday services from various parts of the country as well as the world. Social Media is now also playing a vital role in the life of the church to communicate existing church "attenders" as well as to reach new guests.

Sundays also saw some special services, designed to reach more people in the community on special occasions. These included our online Mother's Day Special (where we celebrated mothers and women), Father's Day Special (honouring fathers and men online), as well as our "Carols at Christmas". It certainly wasn't the same being online, but we thank God for the technology to be able to engage new people and the existing church family. Our Carol Service was one of the most widely watched services in the year, as many people shared and promoted the service. Such positive comments were received from not yet Christians, which were really encouraging. On **Easter Sunday**, we held an in-person service for **6 people who got baptised**. What a celebration of lives changed by God, even during the pandemic.

Engagement, Service and Discipleship

At the start of 2021, we were able to launch our brand new "Next Steps Journey". This is a replacement for the old DNA Partnership Course, which gives new guests (or the existing church congregation) a chance to meet some of the team, and to understand the church's mission, vision and values. Over 3 sessions, they can know more about LCC, explore their gifts and talents, and understand how to get more connected to the church through groups and teams. This has proven to be a very successful method to engage new people and to also find out how we can serve them better.

We are so thankful to the many volunteers who serve on teams throughout the life of the church. Many serve on a Sunday, as well as on teams throughout the week. These are the heroes who always go above and beyond, to serve the needs of others. Our volunteers are the life blood of the

church, and their selflessness really does make a difference to the lives of many people. Whether it has been teaching, leading small groups, calling and connecting with members of the church, pastoral visits and calls, serving on hospitality, hosting kid's work, the list goes on... **On behalf of the Leadership Team, I wish to thank you for all your commitment and hard work. You really are the dream team!**

Throughout this year, we have endeavoured to provide opportunities for people in the church to be disciplined. This has been outworked through the provision of our Small Groups, and the following online courses:

- Alpha online (a tried and tested opportunity for people – Christians or not yet Christians-to understand the basics of the Christian Faith)
- The Grow Course (Helping people take steps to grow in their relationship with God)
- Empowered – life in the Holy Spirit (teaching and discipling on the Holy Spirit)
- Soul Winner (equipping God's people to be missionaries and win people in their world for Jesus)

Children

We have 2 children's ministries in the life of the church – Sunday Stars (reception to year 5) and Elevate (year 6+). We also aim to serve the children's respective families, as well as to reach out to other families within the local community.

Cathryn Myers, our Children's Ministry Leader, has reported much activity that has benefitted the children (and wider community families) summarised below:

- From July, Sunday Stars and Elevate Sunday sessions were held on Zoom, three times a month
- When Church re-opened up for a few weeks in November, we ran one socially distanced session in the Life Lounge for Elevate, thanks to Jensi, and some kids joined in on zoom. So a hybrid approach was used to maximise engagement.
- In October, an online Light Party was held as an outreach to the local community and a resource for our church children to engage in something more positive than Halloween. Cathryn, Katherine and Ebun contributed to a 40 minute online light party on the LCC Kids' YouTube channel. The video has 127 views and has 25 subscribers. Around 6 parents came to the manse to collect party bags for the event.
- At Christmas 2020, Elevate and Sunday Stars children contributed to the live streamed carol service and family service with a modern nativity play and the making of a Christingle.
- January onwards continued with Zoom sessions on Sundays, as we went into another lockdown. (The children went back to school in March 2021)
- Sunday Stars children contributed to the Easter service and Mother's and Father's day services with various videos.
- The Elevate children started serving more during the Church services on media and camera teams.
- In June, Elevate returned to in-person sessions whilst the church started meeting back in-person. There was lower attendance due to the pandemic and Elevate children serving in the church service.

The Trustees would like to thank Cathryn and the whole children's teams for the amazing work they have done by equipping our children. In a season that has been difficult, they have helped to bring consistency and support in an engaging and enjoyable way (despite being on Zoom for so long).

Life Groups

Life Groups have also been a way to connect with others, care for each other and grow together. However, the pandemic forced us to multiply our groups from 3 originally to 10. Everyone in the

church was allocated to a group, and those who wanted to attend could, with those who chose to, benefiting through a very difficult season. We would like to say a huge thank you to all the Life Group leaders who have been meeting almost every week to connect and care for the church family. With countless phone calls and zoom meetings, it really has had an impact on those who connected!

Pastoral Support

The Pastoral Care Team, led by Keith Hancock, was established in March 2020. However, throughout the pandemic, Keith and Rosa and several other volunteers have been calling members of the church family who have been unable to access the church services online, to connect and care for them, as well as to provide a "listening ear". Thank you so much for your labour of love during this time!

Corporate Prayer

Prayer has expanded during this season. We still have our Monday morning prayer team (led by Peter Gale) who meets for the best part of an hour to pray for requests both within the church family and now coming in from the community from the website and social media. We also met weekly to pray on a Wednesday night, sensing in God that this was a strategic move for people to be praying and connecting with God through challenging times. Friday Ehiguese also faithfully led our Sunday morning prayer team, as well as a Thursday evening prayer group. We moved our monthly "Encounter Nights" online to Zoom as well.

Missions and Partnerships

The church is actively seeking to partner and build relationships with other organisations who share an affinity with our charity's objectives and values. We realise that more can be achieved in partnership than in isolation, and so we seek to partner through sign-posting and offering support through prayer, finance and volunteers. To help us achieve this, the church tithes on its income to produce an annual missions budget, whose expenditure is allocated to other organisations or individuals (e.g. Missions Partners) or needs as they arise. The following is a breakdown of our annual mission's expenditure for the financial year. The amount this year is significantly more than previous years because in the past 3 years the money had been allocated for spending but remained unspent. In 2020-21, we were able to spend most of that which had been allocated from this fund as follows:

Christians Against Poverty	£720.00
Empart UK	£5,200.00
Helping Hands	£2,600.00
Helping Hands – Christmas Appeal	£1,345.00
Hope For Justice	£2,000.00

Jews for Jesus	£1,800.00
Warwick District Foodbank	£2,700
Wyclife Bible Translators Appeal	£922.34
Other: e.g. Churches Together, LCC Hardship Fund	£501.89
TOTAL	£17,789.23

At Christmas, we carried out our annual Christmas appeal, seeking to give to those in need in the local community. This year, working in partnership with Helping Hands for their annual Christmas Shoebox appeal, we invited people to fill and wrap shoe boxes filled with goodies to be distributed to individuals and families in need at this time. This is a way to show the love of Jesus in a practical way. The target was 50 shoeboxes, and we were able to give away 77, which was amazing!

Venue Hire

The church building was not hired out during this time, due to lockdown restrictions. We hope to restart this avenue of income in the next financial year.

Financial Review

Financial Activity and Financial Position

The main sources of funding for the Church are the free will offerings of Church members and income tax recovered under the Gift Aid scheme.

Due to the financial threshold in which the Church fell this year, the charity's accounts have been prepared on a "receipts and payments" basis. In the "Statement of Account and Independent Examination Report" attached to this report, page 5 shows the Receipts and Payments Account and page 6 shows the Church's Statement of Assets and Liabilities. A summary follows:

- **Total church income dropped by £10,445 from £104,114 to £93,669 (decrease of a 10.0%)**
- However, in this year, we did not receive a Vision Offering, and so this figure comprises mostly general Tithes and Offerings.
- **General tithes and offerings increased by £4,819 from £86,878 to £91,697 (increase of 5.5%)** for which we are truly thankful, as this vital to the day to day operating expenditure of the church.
- **Gift Aid** continues to really benefit the church, with £16,404 being reclaimed from HMRC through Gift Aid donations. This is a decrease of 11.0% (£2,037) from last year's reclaim of £18,441. This year, 83.4% of donations were gift aided, compared to 78.3% last year, marking **an increase of 5.1%**. This is so useful to the church, as it represents an additional 25% of income to the church for each gift aided donation.
- With people carrying less cash these days, electronic giving (i.e. card payments on a Sunday or through the website or standing orders) continues to be a popular method for donations. During this past year, a mixture of online only services, and a gradual return to in-person gatherings, we saw giving continue to switch to electronic means. This financial year, **electronic giving was £68,298** (compared with £62,581 last year excluding Gift Aid); an **increase of £5,717 or 9.1%** Year on Year. Also, this year the split of electronic giving to cash giving was 88.4% vs 11.6% (compared with 73.2% vs 26.8% last year). **This is really helpful to the church**, as it means that less cash is being handled by the offering counters during this pandemic. Also, it means that less money is physically carried to the bank, which does have risk associated with that.
- Total spending for the year dropped significantly by 10.5% (£10,880) from £103,613 to £92,733. Expenditure has been carefully monitored in this unpredictable season. We have continued to invest in IT infrastructure to provide for church online and some property maintenance, but other spending has been cautious. The Missions spend for this year was £17,789 compared with £2,611 last year. The reason for this higher spend was that we have now caught up with our donations to our missions partners from previous years.
- Overall, the charity made a very small surplus of £966.
- When the church turned 80 years old, we took up a special "Vision80" Offering with the express purposes of 1. starting a pot of money that could be used to **facilitate future growth** and 2. **positioning ourselves** so that in the (near) future, we can acquire/ use a larger building, as the Lord leads. We raised a total of £32,041.45. This remains entirely unspent in the churches accounts, as we prayerfully navigate how best to use it in the future for expansion plans.

We are so thankful to every person who gives within the life of the church. From regular donations in our weekly offerings, to those who gave sacrificially into our Vision80 offering, the church leadership team wishes to express our deepest gratitude. Your giving is truly making a difference!

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have examined the requirements for free reserves, i.e. those unrestricted funds not invested in tangible fixed assets. The Trustees consider that, given the nature of the Church's work, free reserves should be equivalent to approximately **5 months'** routine general fund expenditure, plus committed future expenditure on other projects, where funds permit. The Trustees are of the opinion that this provides sufficient flexibility to cover temporary shortfalls in incoming resources, and will allow the church to cope and respond to unforeseen emergencies whilst actions plans are implemented. However, as income increases, the Trustees will look to increase this amount to provide a greater safeguard for the charity. Free reserves requirement for 5 months budgeted routine expenditure is c.£21,000. This money will be held in the current account, and through regular monitoring the account will not be allowed to slip below £25,000 without actions being put in place to mitigate against any decline in income.

Grants Policy

The Church makes grants, equivalent to 10% of its donated income annually, to support missionary endeavours both in the UK and abroad. This amount is transferred into the "designated account", known as the Mission Fund. The policy of the Church is to give grants on the basis that they are subject to annual review and only renewed on the basis of meeting set criteria. These grants will either be donated as a "lump sum", or will be given on a monthly or quarterly basis. In addition, the Church makes donations for hardship at the discretion of the Eldership, to those in need within the Church.

Future Plans

Everything has changed for Life Community Church as we negotiate the new era of becoming a hybrid church; ministering to people both in person and online. People's habits are changing in terms of frequency of attending church services in person. However, we have also seen new opportunities of engaging with new people so quickly and from different parts of the country and the world. As the country unlocks, and restrictions are eased, we seek to put in place a strategy where mission is kept at the forefront of the church, along with discipleship pathways to help people grow in a relationship with Jesus Christ. Please continue to pray for the church at this time.

Again, we are thankful for the all the volunteers who give of their time and their money to make a significant contribution to the Church, and as we expand both our volunteer base and staff in the future, Life Community Church will seek to continue to make an impact, both locally and beyond.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Trustee's Statement

Each of the persons who are Trustees at the time when this Trustees' report is approved has confirmed that:

- So far as that Trustee is aware, there is no relevant information of which the charity's Independent Examiner is unaware, and
- They have taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Trustee in order to be aware of any information needed by the Independent Examiner in connection with preparing their report, and to establish that the charity's Independent Examiner is aware of that information.

This report was approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



David Bolton, Senior Pastor
Trustee

22/11/2021

Date

**LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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Registered Charity: 1052019

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT
AND
INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021**

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Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Receipts and Payment Accounts

Report to the trustees of Life Community Church

Registered Charity Number 1052019

On the accounts for the year ended 30th June 2021

Set out on the following pages

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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 records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
- Have not been met; or

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

Signed *L A Silver*

Date: 19 October 2021

Luke Silver, HNC Business & Finance

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Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees

Introduction

Thank you for submitting the accounts for independent examination. They have been well maintained and the treasurer and others responsible are to be commended for their hard work. Therefore I will keep my comments to a minimum.

Charity Law and Financial Regulations

The independent examination has been carried out in accordance with the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 1995 (Statutory Instruments No 2724) and the Accounting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

Signing of Accounts

I shall be obliged if you will please forward a copy of the signature page for my records after the accounts have been signed by a representative appointed by the Trustees and Church Council. A spare copy is enclosed.

Conclusion

There are no other matters I feel need to be brought to your attention.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further clarification or for further assistance.

Luke Silver

Date: 19 October 2021

LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

ACTIVITIES REVIEW

The financial results are set out in the enclosed accounts.

The principal activity throughout the year under review was that of

- The advancement of the Christian Faith
- The relief of sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of counselling and support
- The advancement of education

TRUSTEES AND CHURCH COUNCIL

The trustees and church council during the year were as follows:

David Bolton

Leanne Bolton

Robert Page

David Onyekwe

John Partington

STATEMENT

We certify that the books, vouchers and information produced to enable the independent examination of our accounts to be conducted contain a full and correct record of our financial transactions and activities to the best of our knowledge and belief.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES



Please print name: David Bolton

Date: 31st October, 2021

Life Community Church

Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2021

Receipts and Payments Account

	2021				2020			
	Legacy Fund £	Designated Fund £	General Fund £	Total £	Legacy Fund £	Designated Fund £	General Fund £	Total £
Grants and Donations								
Donations - G/A (Standing Orders)	0	0	49,724	49,724	0	0	43,330	43,330
Donations - G/A (Cash)	0	0	5,570	5,570	0	0	11,718	11,718
Donations - G/A (Card / Online)	0	0	9,156	9,156	0	0	11,932	11,932
Donations - Non G/A (Cash)	0	0	3,392	3,392	0	0	11,239	11,239
Donations - Non G/A (S O)	0	0	7,835	7,835	0	0	5,599	5,599
Donations - Non G/A (Card / Online)	0	0	1,583	1,583	0	0	1,720	1,720
HMRC Gift Aid Tax Rebate	0	0	16,404	16,404	0	0	18,441	18,441
Admission Fees - Little Treasures	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	95
	0	0	93,664	93,664	0	0	104,074	104,074
Trading Activities								
Church Rent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manse Rent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Income	35	0	0	35	40	0	0	40
TOTAL INCOME	35	0	93,664	93,699	40	0	104,074	104,114
Direct Charitable Expenditure								
Teaching	0	0	26	26	0	0	78	78
Training	0	0	1,510	1,510	0	0	3,902	3,902
Outreach	0	0	461	461	0	0	2,325	2,325
Missions	0	0	17,789	17,789	0	0	2,611	2,611
Gifts	0	0	508	508	0	0	1,294	1,294
Ministry Gifts	0	0	300	300	0	0	1,050	1,050
Children	0	0	272	272	0	0	3,663	3,663
Youth Ministry	0	0	4	4	0	0	16	16
Student Ministry	0	0	0	0	0	0	127	127
Little Treasures	0	0	0	0	0	0	98	98
Worship Team	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	27
Women's Ministry	0	0	0	0	0	0	236	236
Senior's Ministry	0	0	0	0	0	0	384	384
Men's Ministry	0	0	0	0	0	0	321	321
	0	0	20,870	20,870	0	0	16,132	16,132
Equipment								
IT Equipment	0	0	3,597	3,597	0	0	1,550	1,550
Furniture & Fittings	0	0	70	70	0	0	1,264	1,264
Worship Equipment	0	0	721	721	0	0	5,318	5,318
Office Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	27
Equipment Hire	0	0	354	354	0	0	252	252
General	0	0	660	660	0	0	1,383	1,383
	0	0	5,402	5,402	0	0	9,794	9,794
Management & Admin								
Net Salaries	0	0	38,821	38,821	0	0	39,031	39,031
PAYE & NIC's	0	0	6,100	6,100	0	0	6,452	6,452
Professional Fees	0	0	657	657	0	0	207	207
Pensions	0	0	3,276	3,276	0	0	3,341	3,341
Internship	0	0	380	380	0	0	1,784	1,784
	0	0	49,234	49,234	0	0	50,815	50,815

Support Costs

Property Insurance	0	0	1,397	1,397	0	0	1,356	1,356
Water Rates	0	0	40	40	0	0	30	30
Gas & Electricity	0	0	1,158	1,158	0	0	2,664	2,664
Travelling Expenses	0	0	6	6	0	0	108	108
Mileage	0	0	645	645	0	0	1,083	1,083
Printing & Stationery	0	0	804	804	0	0	1,422	1,422
Postage & Carriage	0	0	21	21	0	0	33	33
Maintenance	0	0	967	967	0	0	8,213	8,213
Subscriptions	0	0	3,129	3,129	0	0	3,167	3,167
Licences	0	0	3,164	3,164	0	0	1,889	1,889
Telephone Charges	0	0	558	558	0	0	587	587
General Expenses	0	0	174	174	0	0	22	22
Cleaning	0	0	2,703	2,703	0	0	2,430	2,430
Hospitality	0	0	191	191	0	0	2,068	2,068
Venue Hire Costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Subsistence	0	0	860	860	0	0	250	250
P.R. (Leaflets & Brochures)	0	0	16	16	0	0	42	42
PSP (Card Payments)	0	0	235	235	0	0	265	265
Refuse Collection	0	0	439	439	0	0	451	451
	0	0	16,507	16,507	0	0	26,080	26,080

Manse

Property Insurance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Council Tax	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gas & Electricity	0	0	720	720	0	0	658	658
Water Rates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Furniture & Fittings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment Hire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maintenance	0	0	0	0	0	0	134	134
	0	0	720	720	0	0	792	792

TOTAL PAYMENTS

	0	0	92,733	92,733	0	0	103,613	103,613
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Excess of Income over Payments

For the Year	35	0	931	966	40	0	461	501
Funds as at 30 June 2020	19,794	4,331	66,440	90,565	19,754	4,331	65,979	90,064
Fund Balance Adjustment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Funds as at 30 June 2021	19,829	4,331	67,371	91,531	19,794	4,331	66,440	90,565

Monetary Assets:

Bank Current Accounts			71,023				70,064	
Kingdom Bank			19,796				19,766	
Cash in Hand			0				0	
Life Youth & Children's Account			733				756	
Creditors			0				0	
			<u>91,552</u>				<u>90,586</u>	

Life Community Church

Statement of Assets and Liabilities As At 30th June 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed Assets		
Church Building & Manse	450,000	450,000
Current Assets		
<u>Bank Balances:</u>		
Current Account	31,180	49,384
Life Designated Account	39,350	20,187
Life Little Treasures	493	493
Kingdom Bank	18,796	18,766
Kingdom Bank Deposit	1,000	1,000
Life Youth & Children's Account	733	756
Cash In Hand	0	0
	91,552	90,586
Total Current Assets	91,552	90,586
Current Liabilities	0	0
Total Assets	541,552	540,586

**LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
CHARLOTTE STREET
LEAMINGTON SPA
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CV31 3EB**

Registered Charity: 1052019

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT
AND
INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021**

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Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Receipts and Payment Accounts

Report to the trustees of Life Community Church

Registered Charity Number 1052019

On the accounts for the year ended 30th June 2021

Set out on the following pages

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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 records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
- Have not been met; or

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

Signed *L A Silver*

Date: 19 October 2021

Luke Silver, HNC Business & Finance

Accountancy & Taxation Services
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Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees

Introduction

Thank you for submitting the accounts for independent examination. They have been well maintained and the treasurer and others responsible are to be commended for their hard work. Therefore I will keep my comments to a minimum.

Charity Law and Financial Regulations

The independent examination has been carried out in accordance with the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 1995 (Statutory Instruments No 2724) and the Accounting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

Signing of Accounts

I shall be obliged if you will please forward a copy of the signature page for my records after the accounts have been signed by a representative appointed by the Trustees and Church Council. A spare copy is enclosed.

Conclusion

There are no other matters I feel need to be brought to your attention.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further clarification or for further assistance.

Luke Silver

Date: 19 October 2021

LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

ACTIVITIES REVIEW

The financial results are set out in the enclosed accounts.

The principal activity throughout the year under review was that of

- The advancement of the Christian Faith
- The relief of sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of counselling and support
- The advancement of education

TRUSTEES AND CHURCH COUNCIL

The trustees and church council during the year were as follows:

David Bolton

Leanne Bolton

Robert Page

David Onyekwe

John Partington

STATEMENT

We certify that the books, vouchers and information produced to enable the independent examination of our accounts to be conducted contain a full and correct record of our financial transactions and activities to the best of our knowledge and belief.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES



Please print name: David Bolton

Date: 31st October, 2021

Life Community Church

Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2021

Receipts and Payments Account

	2021				2020			
	Legacy Fund £	Designated Fund £	General Fund £	Total £	Legacy Fund £	Designated Fund £	General Fund £	Total £
Grants and Donations								
Donations - G/A (Standing Orders)	0	0	49,724	49,724	0	0	43,330	43,330
Donations - G/A (Cash)	0	0	5,570	5,570	0	0	11,718	11,718
Donations - G/A (Card / Online)	0	0	9,156	9,156	0	0	11,932	11,932
Donations - Non G/A (Cash)	0	0	3,392	3,392	0	0	11,239	11,239
Donations - Non G/A (S O)	0	0	7,835	7,835	0	0	5,599	5,599
Donations - Non G/A (Card / Online)	0	0	1,583	1,583	0	0	1,720	1,720
HMRC Gift Aid Tax Rebate	0	0	16,404	16,404	0	0	18,441	18,441
Admission Fees - Little Treasures	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	95
	0	0	93,664	93,664	0	0	104,074	104,074
Trading Activities								
Church Rent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manse Rent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Income	35	0	0	35	40	0	0	40
TOTAL INCOME	35	0	93,664	93,699	40	0	104,074	104,114
Direct Charitable Expenditure								
Teaching	0	0	26	26	0	0	78	78
Training	0	0	1,510	1,510	0	0	3,902	3,902
Outreach	0	0	461	461	0	0	2,325	2,325
Missions	0	0	17,789	17,789	0	0	2,611	2,611
Gifts	0	0	508	508	0	0	1,294	1,294
Ministry Gifts	0	0	300	300	0	0	1,050	1,050
Children	0	0	272	272	0	0	3,663	3,663
Youth Ministry	0	0	4	4	0	0	16	16
Student Ministry	0	0	0	0	0	0	127	127
Little Treasures	0	0	0	0	0	0	98	98
Worship Team	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	27
Women's Ministry	0	0	0	0	0	0	236	236
Senior's Ministry	0	0	0	0	0	0	384	384
Men's Ministry	0	0	0	0	0	0	321	321
	0	0	20,870	20,870	0	0	16,132	16,132
Equipment								
IT Equipment	0	0	3,597	3,597	0	0	1,550	1,550
Furniture & Fittings	0	0	70	70	0	0	1,264	1,264
Worship Equipment	0	0	721	721	0	0	5,318	5,318
Office Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	27
Equipment Hire	0	0	354	354	0	0	252	252
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