

THE BEACON CHURCH HERNE BAY
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

1st June 2022 – 31st May 2023

Registered Charity Number: 1052692

Principal Address: 78 Sea Street Herne Bay CT6 8QE

Charity Trustees:

Mr David Tarr
Mr John Way
Mrs Beverley Cooke
Mr Peter Stanley
Mrs Jennie Dunn
Mr Michael Norman

Secretary to the Trustees:

Mr Paul Chandler

Governing Document:

Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated 24th January amended on 14 January 1997 and 2nd June 1997.

The Beacon Church Herne Bay is a Company Limited by Guarantee and not having a Share Capital. Company Number: 3150244

Trustee Selection:

Trustees are appointed by the existing trustees in consultation with the Church leadership.

Charitable Objects:

The advancement of religion and the furtherance of any other charitable purpose of The Beacon Church Herne Bay.

We continued to hold meeting on Sundays at Vibe night club, where attendance showed a small increase over the year, and also at the Beacon Centre premises in Sea Street. Regarding the latter, in addition to our own meetings, bookings from outside organisations showed a small increase, providing income to help off-set our Sunday hire costs.

We are pleased to report that our membership numbers were maintained. Our programme included small group gatherings in homes and regular virtual meetings being conducted on Zoom. Financial support from members showed a significant increase on the previous year.

In the Autumn, we put to the members a proposal to employ our Children's worker and Youth worker one day a week, commencing in the January. This would require an increase in income and we invited the members to pledge gifts to cover at least one year of the additional cost. We are please to report that this was met in full and by the end of the year the regular general income had risen such that the expectation was that the funds for the new posts would be sustained beyond the initial year.

We have continued to provide a debt counselling service in association with Christians Against Poverty, with home visits fully resumed.

Parent Share, a scheme for parents with young children where clothes and equipment are collected and made available on a loan, or permanent basis, continued.

We continued to support Christian education in schools in and around Canterbury. And contribute to home and overseas missions concerned with orphan support and street children employment schemes in Vietnam and China and Bible translation work in Uganda.

At home, a number of young people and leaders attended the annual, week long, Newday event at the Norfolk showground in August, for worship and teaching. They joined around 7,000 young people gathered from around the country.

In addition, financial support has been given through our affiliation to Relational Mission, which is part of the wider Newfrontiers family of churches, for church planting at home and overseas and relief of the poor.

Our overall contribution from general funds to all of these causes amounted to around 13.25% of our income raised largely by church member donations.

We continued the year with one full-time paid elder and two unpaid. One Trustee resigned during the year and another was appointed, maintaining the number at five. We reviewed and up-dated our Staff Policy document during the year.

Our income is largely through the generous giving of our members and a smaller amount from the letting of our premises. Our performance for the year showed a surplus £9,600 We expect, with careful management, to be able to support our essential activities and charitable giving for the coming year and absorb an increase the rent paid for the Sunday hire of Vibe. Also, towards the end of the year we employed a part-time cleaner for the Sea Street premises.

Looking ahead, there are some repairs needed to the Sea Street building which will be included in the budget for the following year.

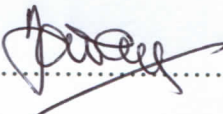
Policy on Reserves:

The reserve fund of £5000 includes an allowance to cover any possible staff redundancy.

Details of any funds in deficit.

Not Applicable

Signatures:

John Way (Trustee) 

Beverley Cooke (Trustee) 

Registration number: 03150244

The Beacon Church Herne Bay

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 May 2023

C W W Ltd
149-151 Mortimer Street
Herne Bay
Kent
CT6 5HA

The Beacon Church Herne Bay

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Company Information

Directors Ms Beverley Jane Cooke
Mr John Colin Way
Mr David John Tarr
Mrs Jennie Dunn
Mr Peter George Stanley
Mr Michael James Norman

Company secretary Mr Paul Victor Chandler

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(Registration number: 03150244)

Balance Sheet as at 31 May 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	3	12,545	13,017
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		26,737	16,161
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	4	<u>(1,008)</u>	<u>(504)</u>
Net current assets		<u>25,729</u>	<u>15,657</u>
Net assets		<u>38,274</u>	<u>28,674</u>
Capital and reserves			
Retained earnings		<u>38,274</u>	<u>28,674</u>
Shareholders' funds		<u>38,274</u>	<u>28,674</u>

For the financial year ending 31 May 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:


- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

These financial statements have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. As permitted by section 444 (5A) of the Companies Act 2006, the directors have not delivered to the registrar a copy of the Profit and Loss Account.

Approved and authorised by the Board on 11 November 2023 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Ms Beverley Jane Cooke
Director


.....
Mr Peter George Stanley
Director

The notes on pages 3 to 5 form an integral part of these financial statements.

The Beacon Church Herne Bay

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 May 2023

1 General information

The company is a private company limited by share capital, incorporated in United Kingdom.

The address of its registered office is:

78 Sea Street

Herne Bay

Kent

CT6 8QE

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board on 11 November 2023.

2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A smaller entities - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006 (as applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime).

Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost convention except that as disclosed in the accounting policies certain items are shown at fair value.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Revenue recognition

Turnover comprises the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and provision of services in the ordinary course of the company's activities. Turnover is shown net of sales/value added tax, returns, rebates and discounts.

The company recognises revenue when:

The amount of revenue can be reliably measured;

it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity;

and specific criteria have been met for each of the company's activities.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of tangible assets includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in their acquisition and installation.

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Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 May 2023

Depreciation

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
	25% RB

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the company does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

3 Tangible assets

	Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 June 2022	11,128	13,712	8,090	32,930
At 31 May 2023	11,128	13,712	8,090	32,930
Depreciation				
At 1 June 2022	-	13,484	6,429	19,913
Charge for the year	-	57	415	472
At 31 May 2023	-	13,541	6,844	20,385
Carrying amount				
At 31 May 2023	11,128	171	1,246	12,545
At 31 May 2022	11,128	228	1,661	13,017

Included within the net book value of land and buildings above is £11,128 (2022 - £11,128) in respect of freehold land and buildings.

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Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 May 2023

4 Creditors

Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Due within one year		
Accruals and deferred income	<u>1,008</u>	<u>504</u>

5 Share capital

6 Dividends



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

The Beacon Church Herne Bay

On accounts for the year
ended

31st May 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1052692

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report 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:

C S McLaren

Date:

28.11.23

Name:

MRS C.S. McLAREN

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

Association of Taxation Technicians A.T.T.

(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.