

Community Life Church North Baddesley

England & Wales · Charity number 1053552

Details

Other names	TRUE LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, TRUE LIFE CHURCH
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1996-03-07
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	21 Sylvan Drive North Baddesley Southampton SO52 9NA
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Activities

Objects: 2.1 THE OBJECTS OF THE CHURCH ("THE OBJECTS") ARE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC: (A) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE CHURCH COUNCIL FROM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT; (B) 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 IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE CHURCH COUNCIL FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT; AND (C) TO ADVANCE EDUCATION IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE CHURCH COUNCIL FORM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT.

Activities: Local church providing a range of services, including outreach youth work, relief of poverty and other community based information services

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£62,608	£38,380	-	-
2023-12-31	£37,836	£39,951	-	-
2022-12-31	£40,369	£37,501	-	-
2021-12-31	£45,847	£35,304	-	-
2020-12-31	£48,631	£42,380	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alastair Tuft	Chair	2019-07-22
ANDY BLAKEMAN		
JOHN HIGSON		
Jessica Jacobs		2023-01-01
Jo Wheeler		2016-01-01

Accounts

Trustees Report - 23rd March 2025

The current trustees are:

- Ali Tuft - Chairperson
- Jo Wheeler - Treasurer
- John Higson
- Andy Blakeman
- Jess Jacobs - Secretary

The Trustees have met four times in the last year, in April, July and October 2024 and January 2025. The Trustees meeting minutes are recorded and stored on the secure Community Life Church Google Drive.

As was communicated at the time, Jon Northey stepped down from his role as Trustee in July 2024 due to conflicting pressures on his time. The Trustees would like to thank Jon for his service and contribution.

The main focus of the Trustees over the last year has once again been to support the function and continuous development of Community Life Church. There has been considerable focus on ensuring that all relevant policies are in place and are up to the required standard and I am pleased to confirm that this is now the case, with a regular review initiative in place to ensure that all policies remain up to date. Any member of the church who would like to have a copy of any policy, the constitution, or the local procedures for the church is very welcome to do so, and can request copies from any of the Trustees by email.

Quarterly Trustee meetings are in place and will continue, with the next Trustees meeting due at the end of June 2025..



Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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	General Offerings					
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822		Donations	20,824		1	20,824
Other Income:						
3,303		Tax recovered re Gift Aid	3,917			3,917
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196		Events	191			191
113		Fundraising	23			23
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30,518		Total Income:	55,201	260		55,461
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73	Other expenses		36	260		296
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- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the Trustees' Report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

These Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council on 20/03/2025.

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Jo Wheeler

Trustee

Date 21/03/2025

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

Accounting policies

The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2016).

The financial statements are prepared, on a going concern basis and the charity is dependent on donation income and as a consequence the going concern basis is also dependent on donation income continuing.

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Bank interest is included in the income and expenditure account on a receivable basis.

Liabilities are recognised on an accruals basis in accordance with normal accounting principles, modified where necessary in accordance with the guidance given in the relevant Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales

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Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes, and it is the policy of the Trustees to carefully monitor the application of those funds in accordance with the restrictions placed upon them.

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Community Life Church, North Baddesley
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Accounting policies - continued

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The Church Council considers that the minimum level of these balances should be the equivalent of 16 weeks' operating costs calculated and reviewed annually – on the basis of expected spend in 2025 this will be in the order of £8,000. The Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024 shows that the unrestricted balance on the General Fund, plus the designated balances of the Building, Youth and CLC Funds stood at £71,000.

Statement of Public Benefit for the year ended 31 December 2024

Because we are legally a "smaller charity" and below the audit threshold, we must include only a brief summary in our Annual Report of the main activities undertaken - you can find that in the main report.

As Church Council (the Trustees) we confirm that we have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance, where relevant.

The Objects of the Church – as set out in its Constitution – are:

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We consider that Object [1] above passes the "public benefit test" because advancing the Christian religion in our community has a positive impact on the moral and ethical behaviour of those with whom we come in contact.

Furthermore, our Christian faith and our relationship with God – as Father, Son and Holy Spirit - gives meaning to our lives and encourages us to live in such a way as to benefit the wider society by being good citizens and following the Bible's teaching on how we should conduct ourselves in society.

Object [2] was added to our Constitution as a result of opening the Community Life Centre – which clearly provides benefit to the whole of the community. As can be seen from main report, the Centre is an open access facility and we have been delighted to assist people from all walks of life including those of other faiths and none.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Church Council
For the year ended 31 December 2024**

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees on the accounts of the Charity

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the 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 material matters have come to my 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 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.

Andrew J Clarke cpfa

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew J Clarke', with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

The date upon which my opinion is expressed is 17 February 2025



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Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees on the accounts of the Charity

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the 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 material matters have come to my 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 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.

Andrew J Clarke cpfa



The date upon which my opinion is expressed is 17 February 2025

Accounts



Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

Basic Information

Community Life Church, North Baddesley is a charity registered with the Charity Commission number 1053552.

The Trustees during the year (the Church Council) were:

Andy Blakeman
John Higson
Jo Wheeler
Ali Tuft
Jon Northey
Jess Jacobs

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Statements of Financial Activities 2023

General Income and Expenditure Account Year to 31 December 2023						
2022			General Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£			£	£		£
Income:						
	General Offerings					
23,270		Direct Payments	20,853			20,853
3,178		Offering	4,285			4,285
535		Donations	822			822
Other Income:						
3,778		Tax recovered re Gift Aid	3,303			3,303
11		Interest (Lloyds)	193			193
21		Books	0			0
225		Events	196			196
		Fundraising	113		1	113
200		Grants		753	2	753
31,218		Total Income:	29,765	753		30,518
Expenditure:						
300	Ministry		100			100
2,481	Hire of Premises		3,234			3,234
0	Printing, administration etc		15			15
306	Equipment etc		224	261	3	485
21	Books, magazines etc		0			0
117	Catering / Events		277			277
642	Affiliation Fees (AoG and EA)		642			642
288	Training/conferences (& Travel)		319			319
210	CCLI		190			190
770	Insurances		785			785
	Gifts to Others:					
3,630		Charitable Giving	3,420	350	4	3,770
16,744	Salaries		17,913			17,913
502	Pension Costs		510			510
125	Christian Safeguarding Services		100			100
4	Refreshments and Consumables		514			514
255	Travel		306			306
	Subscriptions		311			311
3	Other expenses		73			73
26,398		Total Expenditure:	28,933	611		29,544
4,820	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:		832	142		974
49,649	Balance in hand 1 January		54,469	0		54,469
54,469	Balance in hand 31 December:		55,301	142		55,443

**Community Life Centre
Year to 31 December 2023**

2022		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
3,099	Grants		3,467	5	3,467
2,507	Other donations	2,257			2,257
5	Interest	101			101
3,541	Fund Raising	1,224		6	1,224
	Events	269			269
9,152	Total Income:	3,851	3,467		7,318
	Expenditure:				
5,030	Rent	5,000			5,000
0	Admin, Printing and Stationery	82			82
30	Insurances and other fees	0			0
1,117	Maintenance, furniture and equipment	15	900	7	915
81	Refreshments, Supplies & Consumables	91	84	7	175
3,060	Salaries	1,740			1,740
1,606	Electricity, water and telephone	2,273			2,273
68	Other expenses	51	69	7	120
21	Subscriptions (Music and Anti-Virus)	60	42	7	102
90	Support for Families				0
11,103	Total Expenditure:	9,312	1,095		10,407
(1,951)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	(5,461)	2,372		(3,089)
(10,758)	Balance in hand 1 January	(12,709)	0		(12,709)
(12,709)	Balance in hand 31 December:	(18,170)	2,372		(15,798)

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023						
31 December 2022			General Funds	Designated / Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£			£	£		£
Balance on Funds:						
54,469	General Fund		55,301	142		55,443
1,416	North Baddesley Youth		1,416		8	1,416
1,816	Building Fund		1,816		8	1,816
(12,709)	Community Life Centre		(18,170)	2,372		(15,798)
44,992		Total - all Funds	40,363	2,514		42,877
Represented by:						
20,261	Investment - Lloyds					20,439
	Bank etc Balances:					
12,302		Bank - General Fund				11,312
459		Bank - North Baddesley Youth				459
2,155		Bank - CLC				1,586
9,498		Bank - CLC Savings				11,731
47		Giving			9	
	Accruals:	Rent			10	(1,250)
		Charitable giving			11	(1,520)
68	Cash in hand - General					20
144	Cash in hand - CLC					42
6	Cash in hand - North Baddesley Youth					6
52	Event Float				8	52
44,992						42,877

J Wheeler, Treasurer. February 2024

Disclosures to above accounts

- 1 Money Raised through Cashback purchases
- 2 Hospitality Grant
- 3 Coffee Machine purchased with Hospitality Grant
- 4 Special collection for Ukraine
- 5 Grant from Romsey Food Bank
- 6 Fund Raising through Sponsorship raised doing Walk The Testway
- 7 Purchases using grant money - Equipment and Resources for the Centre and for the Community Gardening Wellness Group
- 8 These are dormant accounts and there were no transactions in 2022 or 2023.
- 9 Giving account cleared for Charitable donations
- 10 Rent went out in January 2024, but related to 2023
- 11 Charitable donations for 2023, but left the bank account in 2024

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2023

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity Law requires the Church Council (the Trustees) to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church (the charity) as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Church Council is required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate, and
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the Trustees' Report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

These Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council on ##### .

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Trustee
Date

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023

Accounting policies

The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2016).

The financial statements are prepared, on a going concern basis and the charity is dependent on donation income and as a consequence the going concern basis is also dependent on donation income continuing.

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Bank interest is included in the income and expenditure account on a receivable basis.

Liabilities are recognised on an accruals basis in accordance with normal accounting principles, modified where necessary in accordance with the guidance given in the relevant Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales

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The costs of raising and generating funds includes the incidental costs of staging various events.

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Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity.

Governance costs

Governance costs include all expenditure directly related to the administration of the charity, organisational administration and compliance with charitable and statutory requirements.

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. Such funds may be held in order to finance both working capital and capital investment.

The charity has designated certain funds for specific uses – these are: the Building Fund (unrestricted element), the Community Life Centre Account, and the Youth Account. Once funds have been designated for a particular purpose, use of those funds for general purposes will require formal approval of the Trustees.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes, and it is the policy of the Trustees to carefully monitor the application of those funds in accordance with the restrictions placed upon them.

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023

Accounting policies - continued

Apart from Ali Tuft (for which approval is given within the Church's Constitution) neither the Trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration, either in the current year or the prior year

The Disclosures to the Accounts on page 4 should be read alongside these accounting policies.

Reserves policy:

The Church Council believes that the Church should hold sufficient balances on its general and other accounts to allow it to continue operating even if there was a significant reduction in the level of giving.

The Church Council considers that the minimum level of these balances should be the equivalent of 16 weeks' operating costs calculated and reviewed annually – on the basis of expected spend in 2023 this will be in the order of £8,000. The Balance Sheet at 31 December 2023 shows that the unrestricted balance on the General Fund, plus the designated balances of the Building, Youth and CLC Funds stood at £40,400.

Statement of Public Benefit for the year ended 31 December 2023

Because we are legally a "smaller charity" and below the audit threshold, we must include only a brief summary in our Annual Report of the main activities undertaken - you can find that in the main report.

As Church Council (the Trustees) we confirm that we have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance, where relevant.

The Objects of the Church – as set out in its Constitution – are:

"The Church is formed:

- [1] to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the doctrinal basis as set out in Clause 3 [of the Constitution].
- [2] to provide such services to the community that are in keeping with the Christian ethos and exemplified in the Bible."

We consider that Object [1] above passes the "public benefit test" because advancing the Christian religion in our community has a positive impact on the moral and ethical behaviour of those with whom we come in contact.

Furthermore, our Christian faith and our relationship with God – as Father, Son and Holy Spirit - gives meaning to our lives and encourages us to live in such a way as to benefit the wider society by being good citizens and following the Bible's teaching on how we should conduct ourselves in society.

Object [2] was added to our Constitution as a result of opening the Community Life Centre – which clearly provides benefit to the whole of the community. As can be seen from main report, the Centre is an open access facility and we have been delighted to assist people from all walks of life including those of other faiths and none.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Church Council
For the year ended 31 December 2023**

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees on the accounts of the Charity

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the 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 material matters have come to my 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 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.

Andrew J Clarke cpfa



The date upon which my opinion is expressed is 5 March 2024

Accounts

Trustees Report

The Trustees currently consist of:

- Ali Tuft as Chair
- Jo Wheeler as Treasurer
- Jess Jacobs as Secretary
- John Higson, Jon Northey and Andy Blakeman as Trustees

The Trustees met twice in 2022, once in February 2022 and once in September 2022.

Two new trustees were appointed at the last AGM in July 2022 - Jon Northey and Jess Jacobs, and Andy Blakeman and John Higson were re-voted in.

The Trustees set up an internal document storage system through Google Drive - this is a central record with various folders, including Admin, Church Services, Rotas, Life Groups, AGM, Elders, Trustees, Leaders, Policies, Events and Finances. A church calendar is now also linked to the Drive, which is used in the weekly email.

Our church policies are currently in the process of being reviewed by Trustees and updated as required.

Quarterly Trustee meetings will be scheduled by the Church Secretary going forwards to ensure consistency in the Trustees discussions and contributions.



Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Basic Information

Community Life Church, North Baddesley is a charity registered with the Charity Commission number 1053552.

The Trustees during the year (the Church Council) were:

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Statements of Financial Activities 2022

General Income and Expenditure Account Year to 31 December 2022						
2,021			General Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£			£	£		£
Income:						
	General Offerings					
23,501		Direct Payments	23,270			23,270
1,333		Offering	3,178			3,178
1,228		Donations	535			535
1,125	Other Gifts:					0
Other Income:						
4,464		Tax recovered re Gift Aid	3,778			3,778
2		Interest (Lloyds)	11			11
42		Books	21			21
56		Events	225			225
		Grants		200	1	200
1,850	Transfer from Building Fund					
1,040	Transfers from CLC					
34,641	Total Income:		31,018	200		31,218
Expenditure:						
155	Ministry		300			300
350	Hire of Premises		2,481			2,481
22	Printing, administration etc					
189	Equipment etc		106	200	1	306
88	Books, magazines etc		21			21
78	Catering / Events		117			117
642	Affiliation Fees (AoG and EA)		642			642
250	Training/conferences (& Travel)		288			288
202	CCLI		210			210
904	Insurances		770			770
	Gifts to Others:					
2,050		Charitable Giving	3,630			3,630
16,744	Salaries		16,744			16,744
502	Pension Costs		502			502
40	Legal Expenses - (Constitution)					
100	Christian Safeguarding Services		125			125
74	Refreshments and Consumables		4			4
108	Travel		255			255
285	Other expenses		3			3
2,799	Transfer to Community Life Centre					0
25,582	Total Expenditure:		26,198	200		26,398
9,059	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:		4,820	0		4,820
40,590	Balance in hand 1 January		46,883	2,766		49,649
49,649	Balance in hand 31 December:		51,703	2,766	2	54,469

North Baddesley Youth Year to 31 December 2022					
2,021		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
6	North Baddesley Youth Income:				
	Subs (and Tuck)				0
6	Total Income:	0	0		0
	Expenditure:				
0	North Baddesley Youth				
	Transfers to General Account	0			
0	Total Expenditure:	0	0		0
6	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	0	0		0
1,410	Balance in hand 1 January	1,416			1,416
1,416	Balance in hand 31 December:	1,416	0	3	1,416

Building Fund Year to 31 December 2022					
2,021		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
0	Interest				0
0	Total Income:	0	0		0
	Expenditure:				
1,850	Transfer to General Fund				0
1,850	Total Expenditure:	0	0		0
(1,850)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	0	0		0
3,666	Balance in hand 1 January	1,816			1,816
1,816	Balance in hand 31 December:	1,816	0	4	1,816

Community Life Centre Year to 31 December 2022					
2,021		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
12,044	Grants		3,099	5	3,099
2,799	Support from Community Life Church				0
2,915	Other donations	2,507			2,507
1	Interest	5			5
255	Fund Raising	3,541		6	3,541
18,014	Total Income:	6,053	3,099		9,152
	Expenditure:				
5,000	Rent	5,030			5,030
105	Advertising				0
0	Admin, Printing and Stationery				0
26	Insurances and other fees	30			30
2,235	Maintenance, furniture and equipment	1,117			1,117
56	Refreshments, Supplies & Consumables	81			81
2,940	Salaries	3,060			3,060
1,490	Electricity, water and telephone	1,606			1,606
387	Other expenses	68			68
38	Subscriptions (Music and Anti-Virus)	21			21
1,040	Transfer to General Fund				0
430	Support for Families		90		90
13,747	Total Expenditure:	11,013	90		11,103
4,267	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	(4,960)	3,009		(1,951)
(15,025)	Balance in hand 1 January	(21,530)	10,772		(10,758)
(10,758)	Balance in hand 31 December:	(26,490)	13,781	1	(12,709)

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022					
31 December 2021					
£	Balance on Funds:	General Funds	Designated / Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
49,649	General Fund	51,703	2,766		54,469
1,416	North Baddesley Youth	1,416	0		1,416
1,816	Building Fund	1,816	0		1,816
(10,758)	Community Life Centre	(26,490)	13,781		(12,709)
42,123	Total - all Funds	28,445	16,547		44,992
Represented by:					
20,251	Investment - Lloyds				20,261
	Bank etc Balances:				
9,583		Bank - General Fund			12,302
459		Bank - North Baddesley Youth			459
641		Bank - CLC			2,155
10,860		Bank - CLC Savings			9,498
0		Giving			47
285	Cash in hand - General				68
39	Cash in hand - CLC				144
6	Cash in hand - North Baddesley Youth				6
0	Event Float			7	52
42,124					44,992

J Wheeler, Treasurer. January 2023

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Disclosures to above accounts

- 1 PA Equipment for Church
- 2 Restricted Funds in General Church and the Community Life Centre - Food Bank, Homework Club, Gardening WellNess Club, Training, Equipment and Specific Collections like the Ukraine Appeal.
- 3 Dormant
- 4 Dormant
- 5 Computers, Centre Activities and Warm Space
- 6 Walk The Testway Fund Raising for the Community Life Centre
- 7 Set aside in a Cash box for Events like Craft Activities and Christmas Quiz which are open to the public

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2022

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These Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council on

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Trustee
Date:

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

Accounting policies

The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2016).

The financial statements are prepared, on a going concern basis and the charity is dependent on donation income and as a consequence the going concern basis is also dependent on donation income continuing.

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Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

Accounting policies - continued

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Statement of Public Benefit for the year ended 31 December 2022

Because we are legally a "smaller charity" and below the audit threshold, we must include only a brief summary in our Annual Report of the main activities undertaken - you can find that in the main report.

As Church Council (the Trustees) we confirm that we have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance, where relevant.

The Objects of the Church – as set out in its Constitution – are:

"The Church is formed:

- [1] to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the doctrinal basis as set out in Clause 3 [of the Constitution].
- [2] to provide such services to the community that are in keeping with the Christian ethos and exemplified in the Bible."

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Furthermore, our Christian faith and our relationship with God – as Father, Son and Holy Spirit - gives meaning to our lives and encourages us to live in such a way as to benefit the wider society by being good citizens and following the Bible's teaching on how we should conduct ourselves in society.

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Church Council
For the year ended 31 December 2022**

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees on the accounts of the Charity

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

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It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

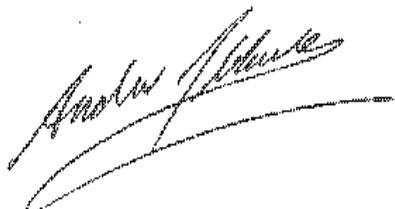
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Independent Examiner's Statement:

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my 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
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- 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 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.



Andrew J Clarke cpfa

The date upon which my opinion is expressed is 28 February 2023



Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Basic Information

Community Life Church, North Baddesley is a charity registered with the Charity Commission number 1053552.

The Trustees during the year (the Church Council) were:

Andy Blakeman
John Higson
Jo Wheeler
Ali Tuft
Jon Northey
Jess Jacobs

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Statements of Financial Activities 2022

General Income and Expenditure Account Year to 31 December 2022						
2,021			General Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£			£	£		£
Income:						
	General Offerings					
23,501		Direct Payments	23,270			23,270
1,333		Offering	3,178			3,178
1,228		Donations	535			535
1,125	Other Gifts:					0
Other Income:						
4,464		Tax recovered re Gift Aid	3,778			3,778
2		Interest (Lloyds)	11			11
42		Books	21			21
56		Events	225			225
		Grants		200	1	200
1,850	Transfer from Building Fund					
1,040	Transfers from CLC					
34,641	Total Income:		31,018	200		31,218
Expenditure:						
155	Ministry		300			300
350	Hire of Premises		2,481			2,481
22	Printing, administration etc					
189	Equipment etc		106	200	1	306
88	Books, magazines etc		21			21
78	Catering / Events		117			117
642	Affiliation Fees (AoG and EA)		642			642
250	Training/conferences (& Travel)		288			288
202	CCLI		210			210
904	Insurances		770			770
	Gifts to Others:					
2,050		Charitable Giving	3,630			3,630
16,744	Salaries		16,744			16,744
502	Pension Costs		502			502
40	Legal Expenses - (Constitution)					
100	Christian Safeguarding Services		125			125
74	Refreshments and Consumables		4			4
108	Travel		255			255
285	Other expenses		3			3
2,799	Transfer to Community Life Centre					0
25,582	Total Expenditure:		26,198	200		26,398
9,059	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:		4,820	0		4,820
40,590	Balance in hand 1 January		46,883	2,766		49,649
49,649	Balance in hand 31 December:		51,703	2,766	2	54,469

North Baddesley Youth Year to 31 December 2022					
2,021		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
6	North Baddesley Youth Income:				
	Subs (and Tuck)				0
6	Total Income:	0	0		0
	Expenditure:				
0	North Baddesley Youth				
	Transfers to General Account	0			
0	Total Expenditure:	0	0		0
6	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	0	0		0
1,410	Balance in hand 1 January	1,416			1,416
1,416	Balance in hand 31 December:	1,416	0	3	1,416

Building Fund Year to 31 December 2022					
2,021		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
0	Interest				0
0	Total Income:	0	0		0
	Expenditure:				
1,850	Transfer to General Fund				0
1,850	Total Expenditure:	0	0		0
(1,850)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	0	0		0
3,666	Balance in hand 1 January	1,816			1,816
1,816	Balance in hand 31 December:	1,816	0	4	1,816

Community Life Centre Year to 31 December 2022					
2,021		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
12,044	Grants		3,099	5	3,099
2,799	Support from Community Life Church				0
2,915	Other donations	2,507			2,507
1	Interest	5			5
255	Fund Raising	3,541		6	3,541
18,014	Total Income:	6,053	3,099		9,152
	Expenditure:				
5,000	Rent	5,030			5,030
105	Advertising				0
0	Admin, Printing and Stationery				0
26	Insurances and other fees	30			30
2,235	Maintenance, furniture and equipment	1,117			1,117
56	Refreshments, Supplies & Consumables	81			81
2,940	Salaries	3,060			3,060
1,490	Electricity, water and telephone	1,606			1,606
387	Other expenses	68			68
38	Subscriptions (Music and Anti-Virus)	21			21
1,040	Transfer to General Fund				0
430	Support for Families		90		90
13,747	Total Expenditure:	11,013	90		11,103
4,267	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	(4,960)	3,009		(1,951)
(15,025)	Balance in hand 1 January	(21,530)	10,772		(10,758)
(10,758)	Balance in hand 31 December:	(26,490)	13,781	1	(12,709)

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022					
31 December 2021					
£	Balance on Funds:	General Funds	Designated / Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
49,649	General Fund	51,703	2,766		54,469
1,416	North Baddesley Youth	1,416	0		1,416
1,816	Building Fund	1,816	0		1,816
(10,758)	Community Life Centre	(26,490)	13,781		(12,709)
42,123	Total - all Funds	28,445	16,547		44,992
Represented by:					
20,251	Investment - Lloyds				20,261
	Bank etc Balances:				
9,583		Bank - General Fund			12,302
459		Bank - North Baddesley Youth			459
641		Bank - CLC			2,155
10,860		Bank - CLC Savings			9,498
0		Giving			47
285	Cash in hand - General				68
39	Cash in hand - CLC				144
6	Cash in hand - North Baddesley Youth				6
0	Event Float			7	52
42,124					44,992

J Wheeler, Treasurer. January 2023

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Disclosures to above accounts

- 1 PA Equipment for Church
- 2 Restricted Funds in General Church and the Community Life Centre - Food Bank, Homework Club, Gardening WellNess Club, Training, Equipment and Specific Collections like the Ukraine Appeal.
- 3 Dormant
- 4 Dormant
- 5 Computers, Centre Activities and Warm Space
- 6 Walk The Testway Fund Raising for the Community Life Centre
- 7 Set aside in a Cash box for Events like Craft Activities and Christmas Quiz which are open to the public

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2022

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity Law requires the Church Council (the Trustees) to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church (the charity) as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Church Council is required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate, and
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the Trustees' Report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

These Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council on

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Trustee
Date:

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

Accounting policies

The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2016).

The financial statements are prepared, on a going concern basis and the charity is dependent on donation income and as a consequence the going concern basis is also dependent on donation income continuing.

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Bank interest is included in the income and expenditure account on a receivable basis.

Liabilities are recognised on the accruals basis in accordance with normal accounting principles, modified where necessary in accordance with the guidance given in the relevant Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales

The policy for including items within the relevant activity categories of resources expended is to allocate costs to the most appropriate activity. In particular the policy for including items within costs of generating funds, charitable activities and governance costs is:

Costs of generating funds

The costs of raising and generating funds includes the incidental costs of staging various events.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity.

Governance costs

Governance costs include all expenditure directly related to the administration of the charity, organisational administration and compliance with charitable and statutory requirements.

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. Such funds may be held in order to finance both working capital and capital investment.

The charity has designated certain funds for specific uses – these are: the Building Fund (unrestricted element), the Community Life Centre Account, and the Youth Account. Once funds have been designated for a particular purpose, use of those funds for general purposes will require formal approval of the Trustees.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes, and it is the policy of the Trustees to carefully monitor the application of those funds in accordance with the restrictions placed upon them.

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.

Community Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

Accounting policies - continued

Apart from Ali Tuft (for which approval is given within the Church's Constitution) neither the Trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration, either in the current year or the prior year

The Disclosures to the Accounts on page 4 should be read alongside these accounting policies.

Reserves policy:

The Church Council believes that the Church should hold sufficient balances on its general and other accounts to allow it to continue operating even if there was a significant reduction in the level of giving.

The Church Council considers that the minimum level of these balances should be the equivalent of 16 weeks' operating costs calculated and reviewed annually – on the basis of expected spend in 2023 this will be in the order of £10,000. The Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022 shows that the unrestricted balance on the General Fund, plus the designated balances of the Building, Youth and CLC Funds stood at £28,500.

Statement of Public Benefit for the year ended 31 December 2022

Because we are legally a "smaller charity" and below the audit threshold, we must include only a brief summary in our Annual Report of the main activities undertaken - you can find that in the main report.

As Church Council (the Trustees) we confirm that we have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance, where relevant.

The Objects of the Church – as set out in its Constitution – are:

"The Church is formed:

- [1] to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the doctrinal basis as set out in Clause 3 [of the Constitution].
- [2] to provide such services to the community that are in keeping with the Christian ethos and exemplified in the Bible."

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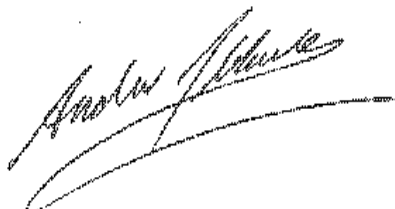
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Accounts



COMMUNITY LIFE CHURCH

Know - Grow - Go

AGM July 2022

Pastor's Report

We are back again at an AGM and we are almost back in our normal pre-Covid cycle. Isn't that nice to know!

We have had to continue to adapt and change as a church family throughout the pandemic and as we have been learning to live with Covid as a present reality, but less of a whole-life disruption than it was.

We have seen a fair few changes in the way that we do church. From starting 2021 on Zoom and getting into our groove, before restrictions lifted and we felt that God was calling us out of the school where the church had worshipped for most of its existence. We were very well looked after by the school and are so grateful for the time that we spent worshipping there and running events there. We must make it clear in this report that the only reason for moving was that God was moving us on, there was no relational fallout between the church and the school and they expressed their openness to our returning for one off or regular events if we ever wanted to return. God was asking us to move on so that we could pursue 'welcome' over 'work' where the set up and pack down of church would be greatly reduced and we would all be able to concentrate our efforts on prayer meetings and welcoming people before the services started instead of the long setup needed at the school.

We prayerfully pursued other options for meeting places and felt drawn by the Spirit to ask the local churches if we could share their Sanctuaries when they were not in use by their own congregations. We met with Victoria and Sally who were very open and accepting of us using All Saints on the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month while the benefice was in its current Service Structure of only using the church on the 3rd Sunday. After meeting, praying and worshipping together, as a leadership team, we really felt that this was where God wanted us at the time being.

We were able to see the opportunity presented to us in having a week of the month where we had to think creatively about how we "did church" and so we created 'Church Outside the Box'. Part of our reasoning behind this was the recognition that life is very full for many people and that adding lots of church activities on to the list of things to prioritise is hard for people with jobs and families. We saw this restriction on meeting as an opportunity to run community building events where people could bring their friends and family to meet their church family in non-threatening easy environments, and also events like prayer walking and adopting a street. We were so pleased with these events that we carried on with the 'Church Outside the Box' structure even when the restriction of the 3rd Sunday was no longer relevant.

During our time at All Saints we saw God bring people to join us, new friends and old friends, we also had the privilege of working closely with All Saints and putting on a successful joint Carol Service. We also ran a Community Christmas Eve Craft event that was quite well attended by members of the community and we had a great show thanks to Neil Maddock.

We continued to have a strong start to the year, enjoying being back together in person and growing together as a church.



COMMUNITY LIFE CHURCH

Know - Grow - Go

AGM July 2022

Our Monday afternoon prayer group continued to grow as new people joined the church who were really passionate about praying for the village. This has been a great time spent sharing what we feel God is saying to the church, and what God wants to do in the community and praying prophetically with authority over our village.

We started to run “The Well” in the evenings based on a prophetic word that Nai had about re-digging the wells that the enemy had filled in. We sought God to discern what these wells were and we had many encouraging prophetic words and pictures that helped us to seek God’s plan for our church reaching out in the community. We had several guests who spoke into what we were doing and brought their own flavour and styles to the meetings training and leading us in prayers and worship over our village. These evenings have been well attended by people who are not regular members of our church but who have the desire to meet and encounter God’s presence.

In March of 2022 we were given notice that we could no longer meet at All Saints, which was a great disappointment, but we found a new meeting place quickly at Baddesley Baptist Church. They have been very generous in allowing us storage and the use of their Sanctuary on Sunday Afternoons.

We have not seen the positive effects of afternoon services that we had hoped for initially when we decided to try out meeting in the afternoon, and so we do not believe that this is a long term plan for church services. We do, however, feel as though we should keep with the current afternoon services for a while as a stable base for growth for a time and pursue how we can work more closely with Baddesley Baptist Church while we are hiring their building. We did have a successful joint Easter service and are hoping to have more joint services together in the future.

We are fully believing that we will see the plans of God for our church fulfilled in us as we are united in obedience to Him and commit to passionately serving Him together. We will see people coming to faith, people encountering the transformational power of the Spirit and people living lives of freedom, forgiveness and fullness through Jesus Christ. He will be the centre, the source and the goal of all we do as Community Life Church.

Our priorities moving forward as a church are:

- Continued growth in all areas of church;
- Starting Children’s and Youth Provisions in September;
- Increasing our Life-group provision by 2 further Life-groups, including a daytime one;
- Continuing to grow people in their gifts and service/leadership.



Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

Basic Information

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£			£	£		£
Income:						
	General Offerings					
24,412.03		Direct Payments	23,500.86			23,500.86
1,918.90		Offering	1,333.20			1,333.20
377.00		Donations	1,228.00			1,228.00
200.00	Other Gifts:		1,125.00			1,125.00
Other Income:						
7,593.81		Tax recovered re Gift Aid	4,464.32			4,464.32
2.22		Interest (Lloyds)	1.99			1.99
26.50		Books	42.25			42.25
0.00		Events	55.52			55.52
1,000.00	Transfer from Building Fund		13.19	1,837.00	1	1,850.19
1,600.00	Transfers from CLC			1,040.00	2	1,040.00
300.00	Transfers from NBY		0.00			0.00
37,430.46	Total Income:		31,764.33	2,877.00		34,641.33
Expenditure:						
235.00	Ministry		155.00			155.00
2,124.80	Hire of Premises		350.00			350.00
12.16	Printing, administration etc		22.27			22.27
0.00	Equipment etc		188.90			188.90
366.09	Books, magazines etc		88.48			88.48
0.00	Catering / Events		77.97			77.97
642.36	Affiliation Fees (AoG and EA)		642.36			642.36
340.00	Training/conferences (& Travel)		250.00			250.00
195.98	CCLI		201.66			201.66
870.26	Insurances		904.32			904.32
	Gifts to Others:					
2,655.00		Charitable Giving	2,050.00		3	2,050.00
20,541.32	Salaries		16,743.96			16,743.96
616.24	Pension Costs		502.32			502.32
0.00	Legal Expenses		40.00			40.00
120.00	CCPAS		100.00			100.00
99.00	Software Subscriptions		0.00			0.00
50.00	AOG Minister Subscription		0.00			0.00
45.00	Support for CLC					0.00
66.30	Refreshments and Consumables		73.33			73.33
0.00	Travel		108.00			108.00
22.36	Other expenses		284.96		4	284.96
	Transfer to Investment Account				1	0.00
	Transfer to Community Life Centre		2,798.80		5	2,798.80
29,001.87	Total Expenditure:		25,582.33	0.00		25,582.33
8,428.59	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:		6,182.00	2,877.00		9,059.00
32,161.41	Balance in hand 1 January		40,701.00	(111.00)		40,590.00
40,590.00	Balance in hand 31 December:		46,883.00	2,766.00		49,649.00

North Baddesley Youth Year to 31 December 2021					
2020		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
0.00	North Baddesley Youth Income:				
	Subs (and Tuck)	5.95		6	5.95
0.00	Total Income:	5.95	0.00		5.95
	Expenditure:				
300.00	North Baddesley Youth				
	<i>There was no activity in 2021</i>				
	<i>Transfers to General Account</i>	0.00			
300.00	Total Expenditure:	0.00	0.00		0.00
(300.00)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	5.95	0.00		5.95
1,710.40	Balance in hand 1 January	1,410.40			1,410.40
1,410.40	Balance in hand 31 December:	1,416.35	0.00		1,416.35

Building Fund Year to 31 December 2021					
2020		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
2.09	Interest	0.06			0.06
2.09	Total Income:	0.06			0.06
	Expenditure:				
1,000.00	Transfer to General Fund	13.19	1,837.00		1,850.19
1,000.00	Total Expenditure:	13.19	1,837.00		1,850.19
(997.91)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	(13.13)	(1,837.00)		(1,850.13)
4,664.43	Balance in hand 1 January	1,829.52	1,837.00		3,666.52
3,666.52	Balance in hand 31 December:	1,816.39	0.00	7	1,816.39

Community Life Centre Year to 31 December 2021					
2020		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
4,249.80	Grants		12,044.00	8	12,044.00
45.00	Support from Community Life Church	2,798.80		5	2,798.80
9,847.79	Other donations	2,915.18			2,915.18
0.86	Interest	0.76			0.76
	Fund Raising	255.00		9	255.00
14,143.45	Total Income:	5,969.74	12,044.00		18,013.74
	Expenditure:				
6,337.93	Rent	4,000.00	1,000.00	10	5,000.00
0.00	Advertising	0.00	104.59		104.59
29.00	Admin, Printing and Stationery	0.00			0.00
25.21	Insurances and other fees	25.97			25.97
2,264.18	Maintenance, furniture and equipment	0.00	2,234.90	11	2,234.90
41.41	Refreshments, Supplies & Consumables	56.09			56.09
2,754.00	Salaries	2,940.00			2,940.00
1,494.11	Electricity, w ater and telephone	1,489.98			1,489.98
66.00	Other expenses	386.13	0.00		386.13
163.28	Subscriptions (Music and Anti-Virus)	38.44			38.44
1,600.00	Transfer to General Fund		1,040.00	2	1,040.00
248.42	Support for Families	0.00	430.00	12	430.00
15,023.54	Total Expenditure:	8,936.61	4,809.49		13,746.10
(880.09)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	(2,966.87)	7,234.51		4,267.64
(14,145.21)	Balance in hand 1 January	(18,562.70)	3,537.40		(15,025.30)
(15,025.30)	Balance in hand 31 December:	(21,529.57)	10,771.91		(10,757.66)

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021					
31 December 2020		General Funds	Designated / Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
Balance on Funds:					
40,590.00	General Fund	46,883.00	2,766.00		49,649.00
1,410.40	North Baddesley Youth	1,416.35	0.00		1,416.35
3,666.52	Building Fund	1,816.39	0.00		1,816.39
(15,025.30)	Community Life Centre	(21,529.57)	10,771.91		(10,757.66)
30,641.62	Total - all Funds	28,586.17	13,537.91		42,124.08
Represented by:					
18,411.69	Investment - Lloyds		20,250.68		20,250.68
Bank etc Balances:					
5,745.76	Bank - General Fund	9,583.59			9,583.59
458.89	Bank - North Baddesley Youth	458.89		13	458.89
1,911.97	Bank - CLC	641.09			641.09
3,512.17	Bank - CLC Savings		10,859.88	14	10,859.88
1,850.13	Building Fund	0.00			0.00
(1,449.00)	Creditor - Rent			15	0.00
153.73	Rounding & PAYE/NI & Adjustments				0.00
29.32	Cash in hand - General	284.74			284.74
16.96	Cash in hand - CLC	39.26			39.26
0.00	Cash in hand - North Baddesley Youth	5.95			5.95
30,641.62		11,013.52	31,110.56		42,124.08

J Wheeler, Treasurer. May 2022

Disclosures to above accounts

- 1 Nationw ide Account closed and the restricted balance transferred to the Investment account
- 2 Funds included in the grant to the Community Life Centre for salary for project manager and the Pastor.
- 3 Donations to other supported charities.
- 4 Safeguarding Registration and Banners for the church
- 5 Funds to support the Centre w hen account balance w as low .
- 6 Cash accounted for after ceasation of Youth activites.
- 7 Nominal Account Balance despite Account being closed.
- 8 Three Grants received for specific community projects.
- 9 Funds raised for the Community Life Centre by a supporter.
- 10 Funds for rent included in a grant.
- 11 Funds included in grants for equipment and maintenance for specific projects.
- 12 Food voucher scheme for families in the community.
- 13 No movement in balance due to suspension of all youth activities.
- 14 All funds in the savings account are restriced for projects.
- 15 Hall Hire accrued from previous year.

True Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2021

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity Law requires the Church Council (the Trustees) to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church (the charity) as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Church Council is required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate, and
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the Trustees' Report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

These Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council on ####/####/####.

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Trustee

Date: ####/####/####

True Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

Accounting policies

The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2016).

The financial statements are prepared, on a going concern basis and the charity is dependent on donation income and as a consequence the going concern basis is also dependent on donation income continuing.

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Bank interest is included in the income and expenditure account on a receivable basis.

Liabilities are recognised on the accruals basis in accordance with normal accounting principles, modified where necessary in accordance with the guidance given in the relevant Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales

The policy for including items within the relevant activity categories of resources expended is to allocate costs to the most appropriate activity. In particular the policy for including items within costs of generating funds, charitable activities and governance costs is:

Costs of generating funds

The costs of raising and generating funds includes the incidental costs of staging various events.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity.

Governance costs

Governance costs include all expenditure directly related to the administration of the charity, organisational administration and compliance with charitable and statutory requirements.

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. Such funds may be held in order to finance both working capital and capital investment.

The charity has designated certain funds for specific uses – these are: the Building Fund (unrestricted element), the Community Life Centre Account, and the Youth Account. Once funds have been designated for a particular purpose, use of those funds for general purposes will require formal approval of the Trustees.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes, and it is the policy of the Trustees to carefully monitor the application of those funds in accordance with the restrictions placed upon them.

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.

True Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

Accounting policies - continued

Apart from Ali Tuft (for which approval is given within the Church's Constitution) neither the Trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration, either in the current year or the prior year

The Disclosures to the Accounts on page 4 should be read alongside these accounting policies.

Reserves policy:

The Church Council believes that the Church should hold sufficient balances on its general and other accounts to allow it to continue operating even if there was a significant reduction in the level of giving.

The Church Council considers that the minimum level of these balances should be the equivalent of 16 weeks' operating costs calculated and reviewed annually – on the basis of expected spend in 2022 this will be in the order of £15,000. The Balance Sheet at 31 December 2021 shows that the unrestricted balance on the General Fund, plus the designated balances of the Building, Youth and CLC Funds stood at £28,500.

Statement of Public Benefit for the year ended 31 December 2021

Because we are legally a "smaller charity" and below the audit threshold, we must include only a brief summary in our Annual Report of the main activities undertaken - you can find that in the main report.

As Church Council (the Trustees) we confirm that we have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance, where relevant.

The Objects of the Church – as set out in its Constitution – are:

"The Church is formed:

- [1] to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the doctrinal basis as set out in Clause 3 [of the Constitution].
- [2] to provide such services to the community that are in keeping with the Christian ethos and exemplified in the Bible."

We consider that Object [1] above passes the "public benefit test" because advancing the Christian religion in our community has a positive impact on the moral and ethical behaviour of those with whom we come in contact.

Furthermore, our Christian faith and our relationship with God – as Father, Son and Holy Spirit - gives meaning to our lives and encourages us to live in such a way as to benefit the wider society by being good citizens and following the Bible's teaching on how we should conduct ourselves in society.

Object [2] was added to our Constitution as a result of opening the Community Life Centre – which clearly provides benefit to the whole of the community. As can be seen from main report, the Centre is an open access facility and we have been delighted to assist people from all walks of life including those of other faiths and none.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Church Council
For the year ended 31 December 2021**

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees on the accounts of the Charity

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

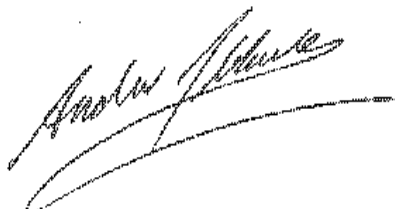
My examination was carried out in accordance with all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 material matters have come to my 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 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.



Andrew J Clarke cpfa

The date upon which my opinion is expressed is 11 June 2022

Community Life Church

AGM – 24/07/2022

Treasurers Report

The AGM has been held considerably later than normal and this was due to an issue in getting the balance sheet to balance which took some time and effort from Andrew Clarke and myself. I finally figured out the discrepancy and Andrew has helped to get the balances in order, so hopefully going forward we won't have this issue again. We are very grateful for Andrew Clarke agreeing to audit the accounts again and for all the time he has taken over them.

The church remained in a relatively stable position throughout the year. The church continued to support the Community Life Centre covering the rent, although many of the rest of the expenses were covered by steady donations and grants, although these will be more strained with energy costs increasing significantly. This a significant drain on church resources, but not begrudged due to the significantly important outreach the Centre is to the community.

Gift Aid is a substantial contributor to church finances so if there is anyone who pays tithe to the church and pays tax, then we'd be grateful if you could complete a Gift Aid form so the church can benefit from Gift Aid on their contributions. We have benefitted from a large grant received last year which helped towards Ali's salary, but sadly that ends at the end of the year, so Rosie and Ali and trying very hard to replace that funding. The Walk the Testway fund raiser is on in September so if anyone is brave enough to participate and raise money for the Centre will be a Centre hero. Last year Kai did a wonderful job raising money for the Centre by Walking the Testway. Hopefully, there will be other opportunities to raise funds later in the year too.

The church started meeting again in person last year and we are taking cash offerings again, which is another welcome stream of income. We can take offering in a more electronic format so if you would prefer give in a cashless format, let us know and we'll make that option more available.

Whilst on Zoom we benefitted from not paying rent, but thankfully the rent we paid at All Saints and now at the Baptist Church have still been less than what we paid at the Junior School, so this has been very helpful on the finances.

We pleased to be able to give 10% of the church income to worthy causes. We are still considering which causes to donate to this year, so if anyone has a particular Christian charity on their hearts and they would like to champion it on the church's behalf then let the leadership know and we discuss it with you further and amongst the leadership. We'd like to support one local, one national and one international charity.

Sadly, the finances haven't increased sufficiently to support Ali in a full-time position yet, so currently he will have to continue part-time. Thankfully, St Peter's school are happy to keep him on for the next academic year. Please pray the church finances improve substantially over the next year so we can once again pay Ali a full-time salary.

Thank you to everyone who contributes so faithfully and consistently. You are an immense blessing to the church in keeping it functioning and operating usefully. You are a great blessing to church.

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COMMUNITY LIFE CHURCH

Know - Grow - Go

AGM Pastor's Report - 03/10/2021

- This is our AGM for the year 2020-2021. It is later than planned as we only had our 2019-2020 AGM in Jan 2021 (with the Charity Commission's permission) and we are having this AGM now to catch up with ourselves and to ensure that we are back on track for our 2021-2022 AGM next March. Even though our last AGM covered the finances from 2019-2020, the other reports took us up to January, so the reports that we will be giving will be providing updates of church activity since February this Year and the accounts from 1st Jan 2020-31st Dec 2020 as per our church's financial year. I hope this makes sense. Our next AGM will be in March 2020 and will then bring us up to date.
- **It has been a very trying year for us all but since our last AGM a lot has changed.**
 - Name – On the 29th June 2021 the Charity Commission granted us permission to change our name to Community Life Church. We believe that what God has taught us over lockdown and how he has grown us closer together as a community, how he has highlighted the priorities that we have and the direction that he is taking us as a church has been a lot like a redefining of the church and that the entering of this new season feels a lot like a rebirth. Just as we name babies when they are born, the Leadership felt that in order to mark the significance of what God has been doing among us this year, that God would give us a name that encompasses His plans and His purposes for us as a church family. It seems that the destination of this journey of seeking God was closer than we thought, and even though there was an incredible sense of 'rightness' when the name Community Life Church was brought to the leadership, we still encouraged everyone to wait on the Lord for a month and to seek Him for confirmation. One of the ways that God confirmed this to us was through social media! The day after having this discussion Anna Hammond – our local Coop Community Worker posted this word cloud on facebook recognising people that had been nominated as working well for the community. I was mentioned as Pastor of Community Life Church!



- Also on here, lots of our volunteers are recognised by name for volunteering at the Community Life Centre and Wendy is recognised for the Wellbeing Garden Project.
- The name Community Life Church was a name that all at once felt familiar, right and a name that to a degree we were already embodying through the centre. We believe that we have been called by God to bring His life to this Community – for people to find new life in Him as we share the Gospel to our community and to see His kingdom increase and the blessings to all in the community that will flow from His kingdom whether they realise it or not. That peace, safety, provision, health, joy and faith would increase in the community for all residents through our church, making an positive impact in our community both spiritually and practically.
- **Changing priorities and Moving location**
 - For the last month and a half I have been meeting with local churches to explore using their buildings for our worship services. One of the big shifts in our thinking over lockdown is the idea of prioritising welcome over work. There were a few people who faithfully and wonderfully set up and packed down every piece of equipment on Sundays to ensure that the transformation from School Hall to Sanctuary was completed every week, but that faithful service meant that more often than not, those who were setting up and packing away were unable to welcome and get to know the guests that we would get walking through our doors. For us to be the irresistible community that God is calling us to be, it is important that we are all available to be welcoming to every guest that walks through our doors, wherever we are meeting. People visiting a church will generally get a feel for whether they want to come back or not in the first few minutes of walking through the door. Smiling faces, warm welcomes and good conversation where people take an interest in them are the things that are going to ensure that people want to come back and join our church family. Meeting in a church where a lot of the setup we used to do is already done leaves us the opportunity to prioritise welcome over work. It also means that our setup should be completed in time to spend time in prayer and worship before we start welcoming guests in, therefore preparing the atmosphere and setting the tone for the service as well as ensuring that everyone is free after prayer to welcome and chat to each other and to any guests that may have joined us.
- **Leaders.**
 - Tom and Jess have formally been invited on to leadership in recognition of their giftings and the call of God on their lives.

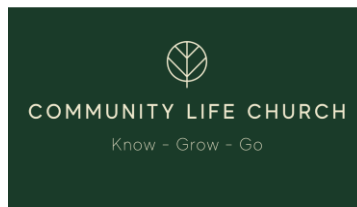


Annual General Meeting 2020

Treasurers Report

3rd October 2021

- 2020 was unusual for all of us, and the accounts reflected this to a small extent.
- One large expense was radically reduced, which was renting the school hall and some little expenses like refreshments became unnecessary.
- Even with the church operating in a mostly online format, the expenses do not disappear and giving is still vital for the church to continue operating.
- A notable income source, which is the offering during services, disappeared completely.
- However, most giving generally takes place by bank transfer and this fact enabled the church to continuing operating despite us not being able to meet face to face.
- Thankfully this source of giving remained mostly unchanged and we praise God for this.
- A valuable source of income is by Gift Aid Claims which allows the church to claim the tax paid on givers earnings.
- I used to claim this annually, but now do a claim each month and this has improved cash flow during the year.
- Ali managed to secure a part-time position at a school and so went part-time with the church. This relieved a significant salary cost to the church and eased cashflow.
- The Community Life Centre remained open and was an essential hub for outreach and support to the community, particularly with the Food Bank being in such demand, so any monetary donations received for the Centre were vital in keeping it open.
- There were many such donations from individuals and organisations like the Romsey Food Bank.



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- A number of individuals give by Standing Order each month and these are very, very, gratefully received.
 - A few grants were received as well, mainly towards Food Bank.
 - The church was able to give towards other organisations as well including The Sailors Society, David Tuckers Words of Life Ministries and the Hazel Project which supports homeless people in Southampton.
 - The Building account has been mostly used up to support operating expenses.
 - The investment account with Kingdom Bank was closed due to being a legacy account which no longer paid interest and no other options were available with them that suited the church, so a savings account was opened with Lloyds and the small restricted balance from the building account and the entire investment account has been deposited in one Lloyds savings account which does actually attract a small amount of interest.
 - At the end of the year, with Ali being paid part time and the giving remaining good the church ended the year in a comfortable position which has generally been maintained throughout this year so far. With the church being able to meet face to face once again, it means that expenses will increase although perhaps not quite to the previous levels as this point.
 - We are so thankful for God's blessing on the church during 2020 and pray the He will continue to do so throughout 2021 and beyond so that we can be a blessing to the Community or North Baddesley and beyond.