

**THE CHURCH @ SWAN MEAD**

**91 CHURCH ROAD**

**OFF CLAY HILL ROAD**

**VANGE**

**BASILDON**

**ESSEX**

**SS16 4AH**

**Registered Charity: 1054344**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT**

**AND**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023**

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# **Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts**

## **Receipts and Payment Accounts**

**Report to the trustees/members of The Church @ Swan Mead**

**Registered Charity Number 1054344**

**On the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

**Set out on the following pages**

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

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

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

**Signed *L A Silver***

**Date: 29 November 2023**

**Luke Silver, HNC Business & Finance & Accountancy Practitioner**

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# **Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees and Church Council**

## **Introduction**

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

## **Charity Law and Financial Regulations**

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

## **Signing of Accounts**

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

## **Conclusion**

There are no other matters I feel need to be brought to your attention. Please do not hesitate to contact me for further clarification or for further assistance.

**Luke Silver**

**Date: 29 November 2023**

**THE CHURCH @ SWAN MEAD**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023**

**ACTIVITIES REVIEW**

The financial results are set out in the enclosed accounts.

The principal activity throughout the year under review was that of the advancement of the Christian faith and the extension of the Kingdom of God.

**TRUSTEES**

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**STATEMENT**

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

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

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Please print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Church at Swan Mead**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the period from 01 April 2022 to 31 March 2023**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	64,939.11	0.00	0.00	64,939.11	56,981.86
Income from charitable activities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other trading activities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other income	13,025.75	19,158.75	0.00	32,184.50	117,499.22
<b>Total income</b>	<b>77,964.86</b>	<b>19,158.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>97,123.61</b>	<b>174,481.08</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenditure on charitable activities	33,476.32	148,975.94	0.00	182,452.26	108,257.59
Other expenditure	15,408.82	0.00	0.00	15,408.82	15,883.44
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>48,885.14</b>	<b>148,975.94</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>197,861.08</b>	<b>124,141.03</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>29,079.72</b>	<b>(129,817.19)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(100,737.47)</b>	<b>50,340.05</b>
<b>Transfers:</b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gross transfers between funds - out	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>					
Gains/losses on investment assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>29,079.72</b>	<b>(129,817.19)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(100,737.47)</b>	<b>50,340.05</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>16,822.62</b>	<b>95,437.40</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>112,260.02</b>	<b>61,919.97</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>45,902.34</b>	<b>(34,379.79)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>11,522.55</b>	<b>112,260.02</b>

# The Church at Swan Mead

## Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/03/2023	As at 31/03/2022
<b>Current assets</b>		
BCA: Barclays Current Account	538.92	784.79
BSA: Barclays Savers Account	0.00	0.00
MCA: Metro Current Account	1,939.25	1,885.86
MSA: Metro Savers	9,034.72	107,781.45
PPA: PayPal Account	9.66	1,807.92
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>11,522.55</b>	<b>112,260.02</b>
<b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>11,522.55</b>	<b>112,260.02</b>
<b>Reserves</b>		
Excess/(deficit) to date	(100,737.47)	50,340.05
Z01: Starting balances	112,260.02	61,919.97
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>11,522.55</b>	<b>112,260.02</b>

### Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	45,902.34	16,822.62
Restricted	(34,379.79)	95,437.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,522.55</b>	<b>112,260.02</b>