

THE CHURCH @ SWAN MEAD

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Registered Charity: 1054344

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

AND

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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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 31st March 2024

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 January 2025

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 January 2025

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

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

Please print name: _____

Date: _____

The Church at Swan Mead
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	62,782.98	0.00	1,420.00	0.00	64,202.98	64,939.11
Income from charitable activities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other trading activities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other income	30,285.02	0.00	7,837.95	0.00	38,122.97	32,184.50
Total income	93,068.00	0.00	9,257.95	0.00	102,325.95	97,123.61
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenditure on charitable activities	40,032.12	0.00	30,904.99	0.00	70,937.11	182,452.26
Other expenditure	15,032.59	0.00	13,667.62	0.00	28,700.21	15,408.82
Total expenditure	55,064.71	0.00	44,572.61	0.00	99,637.32	197,861.08
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	38,003.29	0.00	(35,314.66)	0.00	2,688.63	(100,737.47)
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	0.00	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	0.00
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	0.00	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	0.00
Net movement in funds	38,003.29	0.00	(35,314.66)	0.00	2,688.63	(100,737.47)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	45,902.34	0.00	(34,379.79)	0.00	11,522.55	112,260.02
Total funds carried forward	83,905.63	0.00	(69,694.45)	0.00	14,211.18	11,522.55

The Church at Swan Mead

Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/03/2024	As at 31/03/2023
Current assets		
BCA: Barclays Current Account	0.00	538.92
BSA: Barclays Savers Account	0.00	0.00
MCA: Metro Current Account	3,906.69	1,939.25
MSA: Metro Savers	10,099.90	9,034.72
PPA: PayPal Account	204.59	9.66
Total Current assets	14,211.18	11,522.55
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	14,211.18	11,522.55
Reserves		
Excess/(deficit) to date	2,688.63	(100,737.47)
Z01: Starting balances	11,522.55	112,260.02
Total Reserves	14,211.18	11,522.55

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	83,905.63	45,902.34
Restricted	(69,694.45)	(34,379.79)
Total	14,211.18	11,522.55