

# Trustees' Annual Report

## (Accompanying Receipts and Payments Accounts)

### Section 1 Legal and Administrative Information

**Charity name** Deal Pentecostal Church  
**Other names charity is known by** None  
**Registered charity number** 1054371  
**For the financial year beginning on** 01/01/2023  
**For the financial year ending on** 31/12/2023  
**Charity's principal address** 69 Mill Hill, Deal, Kent. CT14 9EW  
**Names of the charity trustees**

Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted, if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee
Revd Paul S Fermor	Chairman		<i>de facto</i> as Minister
Mrs Margaret D Fermor			Trustees of Charity
Mr Raymond Teague			Trustees of Charity
Mrs Jean Odon			Trustees of Charity

**Governing document: Model Trust Deed for Local Assemblies of God**

**Objects of the charity: The objects of the Church shall be:**

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 from time to time may think fit.

**Names and Addresses of advisors regularly used:**

AoG Operations Manager, No.1-2, The Cottages, Deva Centre, Manchester. M3 7BE

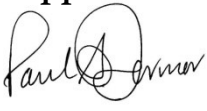
### Section 2 Activities and Achievements

**Charity's activities and achievements during the year in relation to its objects** (for fuller explanation see below)

Weekly Services of Public Worship, Christian Training and Study  
 Activities for all age groups including the elderly and the youth  
 Special meetings for advancement of the Christian religion  
 Pastoral care of the Church members, adherents and the wider community

### Section 3 Declaration

**The trustees have approved the trustees' report below.**

**Signature:**   
**Full name:** Revd Paul S Fermor

**Position:** Chairman

**Date:** 18/02/2024

### **Our Church's Charity Trust Objectives are:**

- (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;
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- (c) to advance education 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.

### **Our strategy to implement these objectives is by providing**

Weekly Services of Public Worship, Christian Training and Study  
Activities for all age groups including the elderly and the youth  
Special meetings for advancement of the Christian religion  
Pastoral care of the Church members, adherents and the wider community.

### **Our activities throughout the year have fulfilled these objectives through:**

**Church Activities.** Hard copies of the Sunday sermons are distributed each week and digital copies are sent via email posted on the church website. Our Guest Speakers this year included Dave Smethurst and Yan Hadley. We had our Church Christmas meal in December and gave out coasters imprinted with the Church details and a Bible verse. We continue to advertise our Church with a Poster in Deal Post Office and by distributing handbills containing our Church details.

**Social.** The first Sunday of each month we have a shared lunch after the Service. We had some social activities this past year and also took part in the Christian Aid Quiz.

**Mission.** Our Church sponsored 4 children to attend the "*Fervent Academy*" school led by Pastor Joy Bendoy of "*God's Sufficient Grace Ministries*" in Mandaue City, Cebu, Philippines and we made a donation to assist their Church in supporting victims from a devastating fire near the School. We make monthly donations to "*Smethurst Ministries*" to enable them to support Orphanages in Latvia and Ukraine. We also made a donation to support the Earthquake victims in Turkey via Kody and Amy Friesen who were missionaries in Turkey at the time.

**Ministry.** Paul and the Church both hold status with *Assemblies of God (GB)*. Paul is the *Clerk of Appeals* with *Assemblies of God (GB)*. This involves offering advice on procedural matters and adjudicating in disputes within *AoG*. He is also Treasurer for "*Verah Bassett Trust Fund*"—a local Christian Trust that makes small monetary grants to Pentecostal Churches in Kent. Paul is also the Senior Chaplain with *South East Coast Ambulance NHS Trust* and oversees 16 Chaplains across the Trust in Kent, Sussex and Surrey. He spoke at SECAMB's Volunteer Conference in November.

### **Our plans for the future include**

- Continued structured and inspirational Public Worship, Christian Training and Study.
- Planned activities for all age groups, including the elderly and the youth.
- Regular meetings for advancement of the Christian religion and inviting Speakers.
- The pastoral care of the Church members, adherents and the wider community, including practical help where needed, through both formal and informal activities.
- Repair and update the Church property and facilities.

### **Reserves Policy**

It is our policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) which equates to at least 3 months unrestricted payments (equivalent to £5,000) to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of **£9,040** more than matched this target.

### **Church Fire Risk Assessment**

The Church building has 4 potential fire risk areas: *main hall, minor hall, ancillary rooms and kitchen.*

The identified fire hazards are: *gas fires in main hall & minor hall; wooden structure of ancillary rooms.*

The identified people potentially at significant risk are: *people unable to react quickly in main hall and minor hall; people isolated in ancillary rooms.*

We evaluated the risks as low due to the close proximity of fire exits and because vulnerable people are always supervised.

### **The existing Fire Arrangements are deemed to be adequate because:**

The congregation is regularly reminded of the Fire Arrangements which are displayed on the notice-boards and also announced when appropriate; The emergency lighting and water fire-extinguisher in the main church hall is checked monthly; A Fire Blanket is stored in a prominent place in the kitchen.

### **The Church has Policies for:**

*Safeguarding, Complaints, Conflict of Interest, Risk Management, Behaviour, Photographs, Data Protection, Cyber Safety, Handling of DBS Certificate Information.* These are reviewed annually, and copies of these Policies may be obtained from the Church Office.



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's  
report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Deal Pentecostal Church

On accounts for the year  
ended

31/12/2023

Charity No

1054371

Set out on pages

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Responsibilities and  
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/12/2023**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Independent  
examiner's statement

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

*C Joy Bradford*  
BSc (Hons)

Date:

18.2.24

Name:

CHRISTINE JOY BRADFORD

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

Address:

122 LONDON RD. DEAL CT14 9PL

# Deal Pentecostal Church Accounts Year ending December 2023

(Receipts and Payments Basis)

Unrestricted Funds

[An examination of these accounts has been carried out by Mrs C. J. Bradford in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts. The procedure undertaken did not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently does not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.]

	Receipts	2023	2022	2021
	Sunday Offerings	£14,506	£14,299	£14,501
	Other Gifts	£10,191	£10,015	£8,200
	Gift Aid	£6,051	£6,157	£4,292
	Property Income:	£375	£65	£350
	Sundry Income	£22	£19	£1,425
	Bank Interest:	£84	£10	£1
<b>A1</b>	<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>31,228</b>	<b>30,565</b>	<b>28,770</b>
	Payments	2023	2022	2021
	AoG	£554	£500	£446
	Equipment	£0	£280	£1,613
	Housekeeping	£477	£195	£863
	Minister's Expenses	£579	£527	£674
	Missions	£4,526	£6,918	£4,430
	Outreach & Pastoral	£993	£676	£1,154
	Overheads	£278	£332	£466
	Property Maintenance	£424	£591	£576
	Property Utilities	£8,320	£7,156	£6,453
	Ministers Salary and HMRC	£16,631	£15,172	£14,796
	Stationary	£71	£101	£203
	Sundry	£0	£0	£0
	Bank Charges	£0	£0	£0
<b>A2</b>	<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£32,853</b>	<b>£32,448</b>	<b>£31,674</b>
<b>A1-A2</b>	<b>Net of Receipts/(Payments)</b>	<b>-£1,625</b>	<b>-£1,884</b>	<b>-£2,904</b>
<b>A3</b>	<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>£10,665</b>	<b>£12,549</b>	<b>£15,453</b>
<b>A1-A2+A3</b>	<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>£9,040</b>	<b>£10,665</b>	<b>£12,549</b>
	The Charity has no restricted funds			
	The Charity has no endowment funds			
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## Statement of Church Assets and Liabilities at year end to the nearest £

	Cash Funds	2023	2022	2021
	<b>Current Account</b>	<b>£1,001</b>	£595	£758
	<b>Deposit Account</b>	<b>£7,520</b>	£9,766	£11,486
	<b>Ministry Aid Account</b>	<b>£405</b>	£305	£305
	<b>Cash in hand</b>	<b>£114</b>	£0	£0
D1	<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b>£9,040</b>	£10,665	£12,549

<b>Assets retained for the Charity's own use</b> <i>(Please note that the current value of these assets are estimated)</i>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current value</b>
<b>Property</b>		
Property at 69 Mill Hill, Deal - Church Building	£37,000	£450,000
Property at 69 Manor Road, Deal – Church Manse	£65,000	£375,000
<b>Sub-total: Property assets</b>		<b>£825,000</b>
<b>Furnishing/equipment assets</b>		
Appliances including heaters, white goods, light fittings, <i>etc.</i>	£5,800	£2,900
Decorations	£400	£200
Electronics including P.A. systems, tape-deck <i>etc.</i>	£15,000	£7,500
Furnishings including chairs, carpets, tables, curtains, <i>etc.</i>	£19,200	£9,600
Maintenance including ladders, scaffolding, tools, <i>etc.</i>	£760	£380
Kitchen equipment	£6,000	£3,000
Musical Instruments including guitars, piano, <i>etc.</i>	£7,000	£4,000
Office Equipment including paper, binders, computer, <i>etc.</i>	£8,000	£4,000
Manse furnishings <i>etc.</i>	£1,000	£500
<b>Sub-total Furnishing/equipment assets</b>	<b>£63,160</b>	<b>£32,080</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>£857,080</b>