

# THE COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA

England & Wales · Charity number 1055306

## Details

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**Other names** CAOH, COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 1996-05-16

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION 2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION, IN PARTICULAR CONCERNING THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION AS IT RELATES TO THE CELTIC CHURCH AND SAINTS

**Activities:** The advancement of the Christian religion, in particular:- to develop an international ecumenical Christian community with a shared way of life- the resourcing of houses of prayer and hospitality- to promote research, education and resourcing of the existing and emerging church- to encourage spiritual growth through pilgrimage, retreats and provision of resources for worship and prayer

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

## Geography

- Australia
- Canada
- Congo (Democratic Republic)
- Denmark
- France
- Germany
- Ireland
- New Zealand
- Norway
- Scotland
- South Africa
- United States
- Zimbabwe
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£94,864	£104,570	-	-
2023-12-31	£104,166	£100,553	-	-
2022-12-31	£71,581	£70,750	-	-
2021-12-31	£116,398	£116,169	-	-
2020-12-31	£68,964	£52,938	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Geoffrey Johnston Holt</b>	Chair	
Dr Lars Jacob Stray Knutsen		2023-01-17
Dr Victoria Karney		2026-01-01
Rev Carol Smith		2023-11-06
Rev RUTH VAUGHAN STOCK		2018-03-09

**THE COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

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# Accounts

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**ANNUAL REPORT  
AND  
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS  
FOR  
THE YEAR ENDED  
31ST DECEMBER 2024**

**CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1055306**

Independent Examiners Ltd  
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## COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA

### LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

<b>CHARITY NUMBER</b>	1055306
<b>CHARITY REGISTRATION DATE</b>	16th May 1996
<b>START OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	1st January 2024
<b>END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	31st December 2024
<b>TRUSTEES WHO SERVED DURING THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2024</b>	Geoff Holt (Chair) Janet Bissex Ruth Stock Dr Lars Knutsen Rev Carol Smith

The existing trustees appoint any new trustees following the provisions laid out in the Charity's governing instrument.

<b>GOVERNING INSTRUMENT</b>	Charitable Trust Deed dated 22 April 1996
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#### OBJECTS

The advancement of the Christian religion, in particular:

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<b>INDEPENDENT EXAMINER</b>	Independent Examiners Limited The Grain Store Hills Barns Appledram Lane South Chichester PO20 7EG
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**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Review of activities during the year**

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Many individuals continue to find the Way of Life of the Community a genuine source of support and encouragement, with the potential to connect with one another, both remotely (through Zoom and other digital means) and in person. This means that the groups run by the Community are no longer limited to local geographic areas. We have continued to offer a hybrid approach for our Community Annual Gathering and Voyagers Retreat, offering both in-person and online options, which has resulted in significantly more people being involved and included.

We value the inspirational leadership of our three Guardians – Simon Reed, Penny Warren, and Scott Brennan – our Deputy Guardian, Thenué, and the wisdom of our Caim Council and Trustees. After a thorough process, Scott Brennan was formally appointed as Guardian in January 2024, taking over from Graham Booth. We continue to appreciate the wisdom and support of our Founding Guardian, Ray Simpson.

The Trustees have a particular responsibility for overseeing the management and sustainability of the Community's finances, resources and properties, and for ensuring compliance with relevant legislation, policies and procedures, including health and safety, risk assessment, personnel management and safeguarding matters, in accordance with our Way of Life.

The Caim Council is responsible for setting and agreeing the overall strategic direction of the Community, and includes the Community Guardians, the Chair of Trustees and other Voyagers approved by them.

Our Community Administrator, Richard Brassington, provides an excellent point of contact and support for Members and Friends. We continue to use ChurchSuite as our database, offering focused administrative and communication support for our growing Community.

Finances for the Community account have held up well during the year. We continue to provide a designated Bursary Fund to support individuals who might not otherwise be able to afford the full cost of a Community event.

The implications for our work on Holy Island have been considered in the report for Lindisfarne Trust Ltd.

We believe we can look forward with confidence to the work and ministry of the Community growing further in 2025.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

There are none.

**Financial Review**

At the end of the year, we held £12,026 in the bank accounts. Of this amount, £4,710 is designated (ringfenced) for the Bursary Fund.

**Policy on Reserves**

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT**  
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**Trustees Responsibilities**

The Charities Act 2011 require the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the trust and of the surplus of the trust for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- will continue in existence.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the trust. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. H. Law', is written over the signature line.

Date: 13th October 2025

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>RECEIPTS :</b>						
Voluntary Receipts	2a	51,615	403	0	52,018	66,279
Charitable Activities	2b	42,846	0	0	42,846	38,080
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>94,461</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>94,864</b>	<b>104,359</b>
<b>PAYMENTS :</b>						
Costs of Charitable Activities	3a	103,288	0	0	103,288	96,236
Costs of Generating Funds	3b	562	0	0	562	4,519
Governance Costs	3c	720	0	0	720	684
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>104,570</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>104,570</b>	<b>101,439</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)</b>		<b>(10,109)</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(9,706)</b>	<b>2,920</b>
Transfers Between Funds	6	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Balances Brought Forward		17,425	4,307	0	21,732	18,812
<b>CASH BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>7,316</b>	<b>4,710</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,026</b>	<b>21,732</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted Fund £	<b>31-Dec-24 Total £</b>	<b>31-Dec-23 Total £</b>
<b>CASH ASSETS</b>					
Bank Account	6,966	4,710	0	11,676	21,238
PayPal Account	350	0	0	350	494
	<b>7,316</b>	<b>4,710</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,026</b>	<b>21,732</b>
<b>OTHER ASSETS</b>					
Gift Aid Tax Rebate due	3,914	0	0	3,914	3,660
Prepayments	21,793	0	0	21,793	0
Computer Equipment	2,068	0	0	2,068	1,185
	<b>27,775</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27,775</b>	<b>4,845</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Independent Examiners Fees	750	0	0	750	720
Other Creditors	12,681	0	0	12,681	945
	<b>13,431</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,431</b>	<b>1,665</b>

**TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE ACCOUNTS**

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities which are set out on pages 6 and 7.

Approved by the Trustees on 13th October 2025 and

Signed on their behalf by



Trustee

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accounts have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments" basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements.

**2. RECEIPTS**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>a) Voluntary Receipts</b>						
Crowdfunding		915	0	0	915	810
Gifts & Donations		23,009	403	0	23,412	19,766
Gift Aided Donations & Tax Recovered		27,691	0	0	27,691	25,703
Legacy		0	0	0	0	20,000
		<b>51,615</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>52,018</b>	<b>66,279</b>

**b) Charitable Activities**

Book Sales - primary purpose trading		4,255	0	0	4,255	3,429
Retreat Income		38,591	0	0	38,591	34,651
		<b>42,846</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42,846</b>	<b>38,080</b>

**3. PAYMENTS**

**a) Costs of Charitable Activities**

Gift re: Building Repairs & Maintenance	7	15,634	0	0	15,634	4,000
Book Purchases		1,143	0	0	1,143	1,493
Gifts to Individuals		4,230	0	0	4,230	0
Gift re: Guardian costs	7	4,800	0	0	4,800	0
Legacy to Lindisfarne Trust Ltd		0	0	0	0	10,000
Office, Secretarial & Administration	4	8,071	0	0	8,071	6,311
Retreat Expenses		29,695	0	0	29,695	46,105
Staff & Volunteer Expenses (incl training)		1,355	0	0	1,355	1,756
Staff (Self Employed Individuals)		37,635	0	0	37,635	26,525
Travel		725	0	0	725	46
		<b>103,288</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>103,288</b>	<b>96,236</b>

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS  
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**3. PAYMENTS (continued)**

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>b) Costs of Generating Funds</b>					
Publicity, Mission & Outreach	562	0	0	562	4,519
	<b>562</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>4,519</b>

**c) Governance Costs**

Accountancy & Independent Examination	720	0	0	720	684
	<b>720</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>684</b>

**4. ANALYSIS OF OFFICE, SECRETARIAL AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS**

	<b>2024 Total £</b>	<b>2023 Total £</b>
Cleaning Costs	1,381	2,280
IT & Computer	3,199	2,001
Licences & Subscriptions	77	77
Printing, Postage & Stationery	2,998	1,682
Sundry Administration & Office	187	147
Telephone & Internet	229	124
	<b>8,071</b>	<b>6,311</b>

**5. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The charity held no restricted funds during or at the end of the financial year.

**6. DESIGNATED FUNDS**

The charity established a designated Bursary Fund in 2024 to support individuals who might not otherwise be able to afford the full cost of a Community event.

CURRENT YEAR

	Balance <b>01-Jan-24</b> £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer btw funds £	Balance <b>31-Dec-24</b> £
Bursary Fund	4,307	403	0	0	4,710
	<b>4,307</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,710</b>

PREVIOUS YEAR

	Balance <b>01-Jan-23</b> £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer btw funds £	Balance <b>31-Dec-23</b> £
Bursary Fund	0	193	(886)	5,000	4,307
	<b>0</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>(886)</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>4,307</b>

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**6. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES**

Two Trustees were reimbursed £170.76 and £109.20 respectively for travel costs incurred when attending a Trustee meeting. Apart from the reimbursement of charitable expenditure paid personally, no other payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

**7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During the year the following related party transactions took place:

A gift of £15,634 (2023: gift of £4,000) to assist with building works was given by the Community of Aidan and Hilda to Lindisfarne Trust (charity number 1092455). A contribution of £4,800 to Guardian costs was also paid to Lindisfarne Trust by the Community of Aidan and Hilda. The two charities work closely together and Lindisfarne Trust has a particular responsibility to manage the property and other facilities of the Community of Aidan and Hilda (CAH), including the regular maintenance and improvement of the Community's buildings and other assets, in keeping with the ethos of the Community, and so to offer spiritual renewal and refreshment to guests, pilgrims and visitors. All of The Trustees of Lindisfarne Trust are also Trustees of CAH.

**8. RISK ASSESSMENT**

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

**9. PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Community of Aidan and Hilda for the year ended 31st December 2024.

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

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**


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

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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed: 

Name: J Irvin Smith FCIE

Date: .....15 October.....2025

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# Accounts

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**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

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**Financial Review**

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Date: 4th October 2024

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>RECEIPTS :</b>						
Voluntary Receipts	2a	66,086	193	0	66,279	39,246
Charitable Activities	2b	38,080	0	0	38,080	32,335
Asset and Investment Sales	2c	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>104,166</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>104,359</b>	<b>71,581</b>
<b>PAYMENTS :</b>						
Costs of Charitable Activities	3a	95,350	886	0	96,236	66,900
Costs of Generating Funds	3b	4,519	0	0	4,519	3,196
Governance Costs	3c	684	0	0	684	654
Asset and Investment Purchases	3d	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>100,553</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101,439</b>	<b>70,750</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)</b>		<b>3,613</b>	<b>(693)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,920</b>	<b>831</b>
Transfers Between Funds	6	(5,000)	5,000	0	0	0
Cash Balances Brought Forward		18,812	0	0	18,812	17,981
<b>CASH BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>17,425</b>	<b>4,307</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21,732</b>	<b>18,812</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted Fund £	<b>31-Dec-23 Total £</b>	<b>31-Dec-22 Total £</b>
<b>CASH ASSETS</b>					
Bank Account	16,931	4,307	0	21,238	18,448
PayPal Account	494	0	0	494	364
	<b>17,425</b>	<b>4,307</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21,732</b>	<b>18,812</b>
<b>OTHER ASSETS</b>					
Gift Aid Tax Rebate due	3,660	0	0	3,660	3,213
Other Debtors	0	0	0	0	841
Computer Equipment	1,185	0	0	1,185	769
	<b>4,845</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,845</b>	<b>4,823</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Independent Examiners Fees	720	0	0	720	684
Other Creditors	945	0	0	945	0
	<b>1,665</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,665</b>	<b>684</b>

**TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE ACCOUNTS**

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accounts have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments" basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements.

**2. RECEIPTS**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>a) Voluntary Receipts</b>						
Crowdfunding		810	0	0	810	0
Gifts & Donations	6	19,573	193	0	19,766	15,774
Gift Aided Donations & Tax Recovered		25,703	0	0	25,703	23,472
Legacy	7	20,000	0	0	20,000	0
		<b>66,086</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>66,279</b>	<b>39,246</b>

**b) Charitable Activities**

Book Sales - primary purpose trading		3,429	0	0	3,429	3,048
Retreat Income		34,651	0	0	34,651	29,287
		<b>38,080</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>38,080</b>	<b>32,335</b>

**c) Asset and Investment Sales etc**

Loans repaid		0	0	0	0	0
Loans received		0	0	0	0	0
		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**3. PAYMENTS**

**a) Costs of Charitable Activities**

Building Repairs & Maintenance	7	4,000	0	0	4,000	2,088
Book Purchases		1,493	0	0	1,493	2,120
Legacy to Lindisfarne Trust Ltd	7	10,000	0	0	10,000	0
Office, Secretarial & Administration	4	6,311	0	0	6,311	11,282
Retreat Expenses	6	45,219	886	0	46,105	25,109
Staff & Volunteer Expenses (incl training)		1,756	0	0	1,756	2,221
Staff (Self Employed Individuals)		26,525	0	0	26,525	22,631
Travel		46	0	0	46	1,449
		<b>95,350</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>96,236</b>	<b>66,900</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**3. PAYMENTS (continued)**

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>b) Costs of Generating Funds</b>					
Publicity, Mission & Outreach	4,519	0	0	4,519	3,196
	<b>4,519</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,519</b>	<b>3,196</b>
<b>c) Governance Costs</b>					
Accountancy & Independent Examination	684	0	0	684	654
	<b>684</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>654</b>
<b>d) Asset and Investment Purchases etc</b>					
Loans made	0	0	0	0	0
Loans repaid	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**4. ANALYSIS OF OFFICE, SECRETARIAL AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS**

	<b>2023</b> <b>Total</b> £	<b>2022</b> <b>Total</b> £
Cleaning Costs	2,280	960
IT & Computer	2,001	5,388
Licences & Subscriptions	77	35
Printing, Postage & Stationery	1,682	1,894
Secretarial Support	0	2,494
Sundry Administration & Office	147	511
Telephone & Internet	124	0
	<b>6,311</b>	<b>11,282</b>

**5. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The charity held no restricted funds during or at the end of the financial year.

**6. DESIGNATED FUNDS**

The charity has established a designated Bursary Fund in 2023 to support individuals who might not otherwise be able to afford the full cost of a Community event

<u>CURRENT YEAR</u>	Balance <b>01-Jan-23</b> £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer btw funds £	Balance <b>31-Dec-23</b> £
Bursary Fund	0	193	(886)	5,000	4,307
	<b>0</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>(886)</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>4,307</b>
<u>PREVIOUS YEAR</u>	Balance <b>01-Jan-22</b> £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer btw funds £	Balance <b>31-Dec-22</b> £
Bursary Fund	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
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**6. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES**

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

**7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During the year the following related party transactions took place:

A gift of £4,000 (2022: gift of £2,000) to assist with building works was given by the Community of Aidan and Hilda (charity number 1055306) to Lindisfarne Trust. The two charities work closely together and Lindisfarne Trust has a particular responsibility to manage the property and other facilities of the Community of Aidan and Hilda (CAH), including the regular maintenance and improvement of the Community's buildings and other assets, in keeping with the ethos of the Community, and so to offer spiritual renewal and refreshment to guests, pilgrims and visitors. All of The Trustees of Lindisfarne Trust are also Trustees of CAH.

As disclosed in the 2022 accounts, a legacy of £20,000 was received in February 2023. Of this £10,000 was attributable to Lindisfarne Trust Ltd (charity number 1092445) and this was duly paid over on 15th February 2023.

**8. RISK ASSESSMENT**

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

**9. PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Community of Aidan and Hilda for the year ended 31st December 2023.

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

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**


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

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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed: 

Name: J Irvin Smith FCIE

Date: 8 October.....2024

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**THE COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

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# Accounts

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COMMUNITY OF AIDAN & HILDA

**ANNUAL REPORT  
AND  
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS  
FOR  
THE YEAR ENDED  
31ST DECEMBER 2022**

**CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1055306**

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## **COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

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## COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA

### LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

<b>CHARITY NUMBER</b>	1055306
<b>CHARITY REGISTRATION DATE</b>	16th May 1996
<b>START OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	1st January 2022
<b>END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	31st December 2022
<b>TRUSTEES WHO SERVED DURING THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2022</b>	Geoff Holt (Chair) Janet Bissex Joy Holt (resigned 3rd July 2023) Linda Butler (resigned 3rd July 2023) Ruth Stock
<b>TRUSTEES APPOINTED AFTER THE YEAR END</b>	Dr Lars Knutsen (appointed 17th January 2023)

The existing trustees appoint any new trustees following the provisions laid out in the Charity's governing instrument.

<b>GOVERNING INSTRUMENT</b>	Charitable Trust Deed dated 22 April 1996
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#### OBJECTS

The advancement of the Christian religion, in particular:

- to develop an international ecumenical Christian community with a shared way of life
- the resourcing of houses of prayer and hospitality
- to promote research, education and resourcing of the existing and emerging church
- to encourage spiritual growth through pilgrimage, retreats and provision of resources for worship and prayer

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**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**Review of activities during the year**

Our membership has continued to steadily increase during the year, both nationally and internationally. We are aware of growing interest in dispersed New Monastic community and living by a Way of Life, a rhythm of prayer, and a network of Soul Friendship.

As we emerge from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, many individuals have continued to find the Way of Life of the Community to be a real support and encouragement. Being able to connect with one another through Zoom and other digital means has been greatly appreciated by many, recognising that in person contact may not always be practicable for a number of reasons.

We have introduced a hybrid approach for our Community Annual Gathering and Voyagers Retreat, offering both in-person and online options, and as a result significantly more people have been involved and included.

We continue to value the inspirational leadership of our three Guardians – Simon Reed, Penny Warren and Graham Booth, and the wisdom of our Caim Council and Trustees through the year, as well as the ongoing support of our Founding Guardian, Ray Simpson. Our Community Administrator Richard Brassington continues to provide an excellent point of contact and support for Members and Friends, and has introduced important improvements to our administrative and communication systems.

Finances for the Community account have held up well during the year. A generous legacy is expected early in 2023, which will allow us to set up a designated Bursary Fund to support individuals who might not otherwise be able to afford the full cost of a Community event. Our aspiration is that finance should not be a bar.

The implications for our work on Holy Island have been considered in the report for Lindisfarne Trust Ltd.

We believe we can look forward with confidence to the work and ministry of the Community growing further in 2023

We were pleased to welcome Dr Lars Knutsen to the Trustee Board in January 2023 and we anticipate appointing an additional Trustee in September 2023, to further strengthen the Trustee Board.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

There are none.

**Policy on Reserves**

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

**Trustees Responsibilities**

The Charities Act 2011 require the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the trust and of the surplus of the trust for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- trust will continue in existence.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the trust. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Date: 31st August 2023

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>RECEIPTS :</b>					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	39,246	0	39,246	45,885
Charitable Activities	2b	32,335	0	32,335	21,513
Asset and Investment Sales etc	2c	0	0	0	49,000
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>71,581</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>71,581</b>	<b>116,398</b>
<b>PAYMENTS :</b>					
Costs of Charitable Activities	3a	66,900	0	66,900	65,315
Costs of Generating Funds	3b	3,196	0	3,196	1,224
Governance Costs	3c	654	0	654	630
Asset and Investment Purchases etc	3d	0	0	0	49,000
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>70,750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>70,750</b>	<b>116,169</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)</b>		<b>831</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>229</b>
Cash Balances Brought Forward		17,981	0	17,981	17,611
Add Omitted Bank Balance	10	0	0	0	141
<b>CASH BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>18,812</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,812</b>	<b>17,981</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	<b>31-Dec-22 Total £</b>	<b>31-Dec-21 Total £</b>
<b>CASH ASSETS</b>				
Bank Account	18,448	0	18,448	17,840
PayPal Account	364		364	141
	<b>18,812</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,812</b>	<b>17,981</b>
<b>OTHER ASSETS</b>				
Gift Aid Tax Receivable	0	0	0	0
Gift Aid Tax Rebate due	3,213	0	3,213	2,596
Other Debtors	841	0	841	0
Computer Equipment	769	0	769	0
	<b>4,823</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,823</b>	<b>2,596</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Independent Examiners Fees	684	0	684	654
	<b>684</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>654</b>

**TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE ACCOUNTS**

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities which are set out on pages 5 and 6.

Approved by the Trustees on 31st August 2023 and

Signed on their behalf by



Trustee

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accounts have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments" basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements.

**2. RECEIPTS**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>a) Voluntary Receipts</b>					
Gifts and Donations		15,774		15,774	25,382
Gift Aided Donations and Tax Recovered		23,472		23,472	20,503
		<b>39,246</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>39,246</b>	<b>45,885</b>

**b) Charitable Activities**

Book Sales - primary purpose trading		3,048		3,048	0
Retreat Income		29,287		29,287	21,513
		<b>32,335</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32,335</b>	<b>21,513</b>

**c) Asset and Investment Sales etc**

Loans repaid		0		0	29,000
Loans received		0		0	20,000
		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49,000</b>

**3. PAYMENTS**

**a) Costs of Charitable Activities**

Building Repairs and Maintenance		2,088		2,088	8,709
Book Purchases		2,120		2,120	0
Office, Secretarial and Administration	4	11,282		11,282	7,557
Retreat Expenses		25,109		25,109	22,766
Staff and Volunteer Expenses (incl training)		2,221		2,221	2,829
Staff (Self Employed Individuals)		22,631		22,631	23,454
Travel		1,449		1,449	0
		<b>66,900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>66,900</b>	<b>65,315</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**3. PAYMENTS (continued)**

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>b) Costs of Generating Funds</b>				
Publicity, Mission and Outreach	3,196		3,196	1,224
	<b>3,196</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,196</b>	<b>1,224</b>
<b>c) Governance Costs</b>				
Accountancy and Independent Examination	654		654	630
	<b>654</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>630</b>
<b>d) Asset and Investment Purchases etc</b>				
Loans made	0		0	29,000
Loans repaid	0		0	20,000
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49,000</b>

**4. ANALYSIS OF OFFICE, SECRETARIAL AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS**

	Total £	Total £
Books and Publications	0	0
Cleaning Costs	960	90
IT and Computer	5,388	771
Licences and Subscriptions	35	366
Printing, Postage and Stationery	1,894	1,331
Secretarial Support	2,494	3,555
Sundry Administration and Office	511	512
Telephone and Internet	0	932
	<b>11,282</b>	<b>7,557</b>

**5. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The charity held no restricted funds during or at the end of the financial year.

**6. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES**

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
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**7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During the year the following related party transactions took place:

A gift of £2,000 was given in November 2022 to Lindisfarne Trust (charity number 1092445) to assist with capital improvements to the properties held by Lindisfarne Trust. The two charities work closely together and Lindisfarne Trust has a particular responsibility to manage the property and other facilities of the Community of Aidan and Hilda, including the regular maintenance and improvement of the Community's buildings and other assets, in keeping with the ethos of the Community, and so to offer spiritual renewal and refreshment to guests, pilgrims and visitors.

**8. RISK ASSESSMENT**

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

**9. PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

**10. INTRODUCTION OF BANK ACCOUNT**

The balance of £141 held by PayPal as at 31st December 2021 was inadvertently omitted from the Statement of Assets and Liabilities in the previous years accounts. It has been added into the accounts this year as an adjustment to balances brought forward.

The PayPal account is primarily used for Overseas Community Members to pay into, as PayPal offers a simpler payment method for international payments. The charity movement on the PayPal account in 2021 is disclosed below:

	£
Receipts in 2021	6,406
Expenditure in 2021	(905)
Transferred to the Charity's NatWest bank account in 2021	(6,939)

Note also that an amount of £2,139 was paid out of PayPal to Lindisfarne Trust (charity number 1092445) in 2021. This amount was received into the PayPal account in error, it was in fact destined for Lindisfarne Trust.

**11. POST YEAR END EVENT**

The charity was fortunate to receive a generous legacy of £20,000 in February 2023. The Trustees plan to utilise this to establish a designated Bursary Fund to support individuals who might not otherwise be able to afford the full cost of a Community event.

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Community of Aidan and Hilda for the year ended 31st December 2022.

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

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**


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

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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

Signed: 

Name: J Irvinesmith FCIE

Date: ~~...5th September 2023~~

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COMMUNITY OF AIDAN & HILDA

**ANNUAL REPORT  
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## COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA

### LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

<b>CHARITY NUMBER</b>	1055306
<b>CHARITY REGISTRATION DATE</b>	16th May 1996
<b>START OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	1st January 2021
<b>END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	31st December 2021
<b>TRUSTEES WHO SERVED DURING THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2021</b>	Geoff Holt (Chair) Janet Bissex Linda Butler Sue Clarke (resigned 1st March 2021) Joy Holt Ruth Stock

The existing trustees appoint any new trustees following the provisions laid out in the Charity's governing instrument.

<b>GOVERNING INSTRUMENT</b>	Charitable Trust Deed dated 22 April 1996
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### OBJECTS

The advancement of the Christian religion, in particular:

- to develop an international ecumenical Christian community with a shared way of life
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**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**Review of activities during the year**

Our membership has continued to steadily increase during the year, both nationally and internationally. We are aware of growing interest in dispersed New Monastic community and living by a Way of Life, a rhythm of prayer, and a network of Soul Friendship.

We have continued to see the impact of Covid-19, and many individuals have found the Way of Life of the Community to be a real support and encouragement during times of restriction and social isolation. Being able to connect with one another through Zoom and other digital means has been greatly appreciated by many.

Our Community Retreats have been again online during the year and as a result significantly more people have been involved and included. A number of online retreats and training sessions have been run during the year, which have had a good take-up. Going forward this suggests to us the value of a hybrid model of delivery, offering both in-person and online options.

Our new Community Administrator Richard Brassington has settled into his role very well and is providing an excellent point of contact and support for Members and Friends. He is reviewing our administrative and finance systems for potential improvements.

We continue to value the inspirational leadership of our three Guardians – Simon Reed, Penny Warren and Graham Booth – our Deputy Guardian Brother Cassian, and the wisdom of our Caim Council and Trustees through the year, as well as the ongoing support of our Founding Guardian, Ray Simpson.

Finances for the Community account have held up well during the year as we have seen a number of generous gifts and donations.

The implications for our work on Holy Island have been considered in the report for Lindisfarne Trust Ltd.

We believe we can look forward with confidence to the work and ministry of the Community growing further in 2022

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees:  .....Date: 30 September 2022

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b>RECEIPTS :</b>					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	45,885	0	45,885	55,733
Charitable Activities	2b	21,513	0	21,513	13,231
Asset and Investment Sales etc	2c	49,000	0	49,000	0
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>116,398</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>116,398</b>	<b>68,964</b>
<b>PAYMENTS :</b>					
Costs of Charitable Activities	3a	65,315	0	65,315	49,308
Costs of Generating Funds	3b	1,224	0	1,224	1,000
Governance Costs	3c	630	0	630	630
Asset and Investment Purchases etc	3d	49,000	0	49,000	2,000
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>116,169</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>116,169</b>	<b>52,938</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)</b>		<b>229</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>16,026</b>
Cash Balances Brought Forward		17,611	0	17,611	1,585
<b>CASH BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>17,840</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,840</b>	<b>17,611</b>

COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	31-Dec-21 Total £	31-Dec-20 Total £
<b>CASH ASSETS</b>				
Bank Account	17,840	0	17,840	17,611
	<b>17,840</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,840</b>	<b>17,611</b>
<b>OTHER MONETARY ASSETS</b>				
Gift Aid Tax Rebate due	2,596	0	2,596	2,688
	<b>2,596</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,596</b>	<b>2,688</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Independent Examiners Fees	654	0	654	630
	<b>654</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>630</b>

**TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE ACCOUNTS**

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Signed on their behalf by  ....., Trustee

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accounts have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments" basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements.

**2. RECEIPTS**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b>a) Voluntary Receipts</b>					
Gifts and Donations		25,382		25,382	21,645
Gift Aided Donations and Tax Recovered		20,503		20,503	34,088
		<b>45,885</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>45,885</b>	<b>55,733</b>

**b) Charitable Activities**

Retreat Income		21,513		21,513	13,231
		<b>21,513</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21,513</b>	<b>13,231</b>

**c) Asset and Investment Sales etc**

Loans repaid		29,000		29,000	0
Loans received		20,000		20,000	0
		<b>49,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49,000</b>	<b>0</b>

**3. PAYMENTS**

**a) Costs of Charitable Activities**

Building Repairs and Maintenance		8,709		8,709	7,768
Gifts		0		0	3,215
Office, Secretarial and Administration	4	7,557		7,557	5,629
Retreat Expenses		22,766		22,766	8,426
Staff and Volunteer Expenses		2,829		2,829	3,475
Staff (Self Employed Individuals)		2,474		2,474	0
Staff Honoraria		20,980		20,980	20,795
		<b>65,315</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>65,315</b>	<b>49,308</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**3. PAYMENTS (continued)**

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b>b) Costs of Generating Funds</b>				
Publicity, Mission and Outreach	1,224		1,224	1,000
	<b>1,224</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,224</b>	<b>1,000</b>
<b>c) Governance Costs</b>				
Accountancy and Independent Examination	630		630	630
	<b>630</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>630</b>
<b>d) Asset and Investment Purchases etc</b>				
Loans made	29,000		29,000	0
Loans repaid	20,000		20,000	2,000
	<b>49,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>

**4. ANALYSIS OF OFFICE, SECRETARIAL AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS**

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Cleaning Costs	90	0
IT and Computer	771	525
Licences and Subscriptions	366	271
Printing, Postage and Stationery	1,331	758
Secretarial Support	3,555	3,659
Sundry Administration and Office	512	0
Telephone and Internet	932	416
	<b>7,557</b>	<b>5,629</b>

**5. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The charity held no restricted funds during or at the end of the financial year.

**6. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES**

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
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**7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During the year the following related party transactions took place:

A loan of £29,000 to assist with building works was made to Lindisfarne Trust (charity number 1092445) and repaid in the same year. The two charities work closely together and Lindisfarne Trust has a particular responsibility to manage the property and other facilities of the Community of Aidan and Hilda, including the regular maintenance and improvement of the Community's buildings and other assets, in keeping with the ethos of the Community, and so to offer spiritual renewal and refreshment to guests, pilgrims and visitors.

A payment of £4,499 was paid to install mobility equipment in one of the properties owned by Lindisfarne Trust.

A payment of £900 was paid to Community for Reconciliation (charity number 295113) for Retreat accommodation. Trustee G Holt is also a Trustee of Community for Reconciliation.

A payment of £1,000 was paid to Newbiggin Community Trust (charity number 1170079) as a Ministry gift. Trustee G Holt is also a Trustee of Newbiggin Community Trust.

**8. RISK ASSESSMENT**

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

**9. PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Community of Aidan and Hilda for the year ended 31st December 2021.

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

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**


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

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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed: 

Name: J Irvin Smith FCIE

Date: 4th October 2022

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**THE COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

England & Wales - Charity number 1055306

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# Accounts

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COMMUNITY OF AIDAN & HILDA

**ANNUAL REPORT  
AND  
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS  
FOR  
THE YEAR ENDED  
31ST DECEMBER 2020**

**CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1055306**

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## **COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

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## COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA

### LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

<b>CHARITY NUMBER</b>	1055306
<b>CHARITY REGISTRATION DATE</b>	16th May 1996
<b>START OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	1st January 2020
<b>END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	31st December 2020
<b>TRUSTEES AT 31 DECEMBER 2020</b>	Geoff Holt (Chair) Janet Bissex Linda Butler Sue Clarke (resigned 1st March 2021) Joy Holt Ruth Stock

The existing trustees appoint any new trustees following the provisions laid out in the Charity's governing instrument.

<b>GOVERNING INSTRUMENT</b>	Charitable Trust Deed dated 22 April 1996
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### OBJECTS

The advancement of the Christian religion, in particular:

- to develop an international ecumenical Christian community with a shared way of life
- the resourcing of houses of prayer and hospitality
- to promote research, education and resourcing of the existing and emerging church
- to encourage spiritual growth through pilgrimage, retreats and provision of resources for worship and prayer

<b>BANKERS</b>	National Westminster Bank Plc Stratford-Upon-Avon
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<b>CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS</b>	137 Newton Road Sparkhill Birmingham B11 4PU
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<b>INDEPENDENT EXAMINER</b>	Independent Examiners Limited Unit 2 The Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham West Sussex PO18 8NF
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**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

**Review of activities during the year**

Our membership has continued to steadily increase during the year. We are aware of growing interest in dispersed New Monastic community and living by a Way of Life, a rhythm of prayer, and a network of Soul Friendship.

Covid-19 has impacted all of our lives, and many individuals have found the Way of Life of the Community to be a real support and encouragement during lockdown and extended times of restriction and social isolation. Being able to connect with one another through Zoom and other digital means has been greatly appreciated by many.

Our Community Retreats have been online during the year and as a result significantly more people have been involved and included. A number of online retreats and training sessions have been run during the year, which have had a good take-up. This suggests to us the value of a hybrid model of delivery, once we are able to meet in person.

During the year Carol Few stepped down as Community Secretary, but will continue to support the important work of Regional Groups. We have much appreciated all her work over the years. Richard Brassington has been appointed as Community Administrator and has settled into his role very well.

We continue to value the inspirational leadership of our three Guardians – Simon Reed, Penny Warren and Graham Booth – our Deputy Guardian Brother Cassian, and the wisdom of our Caim Council and Trustees through this difficult and unprecedented year, as well as the ongoing support of our Founding Guardian, Ray Simpson.

Finances for the Community account have held up well during the year as we have seen a number of generous gifts and donations.

The implications for our work on Holy Island have been considered in the report for Lindisfarne Trust Ltd.

We believe we can look forward with confidence to the work and ministry of the Community growing further in 2021.

**Covid 19**

Many individuals have found the Way of Life of the Community to be a real support and encouragement during lockdown, and as Covid-19 remains a significant concern. Our membership continues to steadily increase.

There has been no negative financial impact on the Charity.

Trustees have been meeting much more frequently (by video conferencing) to keep the ongoing situation under close and regular review.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

There are none.

**Policy on Reserves**

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees:..........Date: 24 August 2021

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

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	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<b>RECEIPTS :</b>					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	55,733	0	55,733	28,985
Charitable Activities	2b	13,231	0	13,231	37,080
Asset and Investment Sales etc	2c	0	0	0	500
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>68,964</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>68,964</b>	<b>66,565</b>
<b>PAYMENTS :</b>					
Costs of Charitable Activities	3a	49,308	0	49,308	65,709
Costs of Generating Funds	3b	1,000	0	1,000	1,013
Governance Costs	3c	630	0	630	600
Asset and Investment Purchases etc	3d	2,000	0	2,000	500
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>52,938</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>52,938</b>	<b>67,822</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)</b>		<b>16,026</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16,026</b>	<b>(1,257)</b>
Cash Balances Brought Forward		1,585	0	1,585	2,842
<b>CASH BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>17,611</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,611</b>	<b>1,585</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	<b>31-Dec-20 Total £</b>	<b>31-Dec-19 Total £</b>
<b>CASH ASSETS</b>				
Bank Account	17,611	0	17,611	1,585
	<b>17,611</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,611</b>	<b>1,585</b>
 <b>OTHER MONETARY ASSETS</b>				
Gift Aid Tax Rebate due	2,688	0	2,688	3,641
	<b>2,688</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,688</b>	<b>3,641</b>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Independent Examiners Fees	630	0	630	630
Loans payable by the Charity (no fixed term, interest free)	0	0	0	2,000
	<b>630</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>2,630</b>

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**2. RECEIPTS**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<b>a) Voluntary Receipts</b>					
Gifts and Donations		21,645		21,645	13,330
Gift Aided Donations and Tax Recovered		34,088		34,088	15,655
		<b>55,733</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>55,733</b>	<b>28,985</b>

**b) Charitable Activities**

Retreat Income		13,231		13,231	37,080
		<b>13,231</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,231</b>	<b>37,080</b>

**c) Asset and Investment Sales etc**

Loans received				0	500
		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>500</b>

**3. PAYMENTS**

**a) Costs of Charitable Activities**

Building Repairs and Maintenance		7,768		7,768	0
Gifts		3,215		3,215	685
Office, Secretarial and Administration	4	5,629		5,629	8,320
Retreat Expenses		8,426		8,426	32,725
Staff and Volunteer Expenses		3,475		3,475	5,992
Staff Honoraria		20,795		20,795	17,987
		<b>49,308</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49,308</b>	<b>65,709</b>

**COMMUNITY OF AIDAN AND HILDA**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

**3. PAYMENTS (continued)**

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<b>b) Costs of Generating Funds</b>				
Publicity, Mission and Outreach	1,000		1,000	1,013
	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,013</b>
<b>c) Governance Costs</b>				
Accountancy and Independent Examination	630		630	600
	<b>630</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>600</b>
<b>d) Asset and Investment Purchases etc</b>				
Loans repaid	2,000		2,000	500
	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>500</b>

**4. ANALYSIS OF OFFICE, SECRETARIAL AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS**

	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Cleaning Costs	0	80
IT and Computer	525	860
Licences and Subscriptions	271	332
Printing, Postage and Stationery	758	2,083
Secretarial Support	3,659	4,605
Sundry Administration	0	10
Telephone and Internet	416	350
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Signed: 

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Date: 25th August 2021

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