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Faith Awareness in Children Trust

Report and Unaudited Accounts

31 July 2024

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Report and accounts  
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Charity Information

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Report of the Trustees for the year to 31 July 2024

The Board of Trustees are pleased to present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 July 2024.

The Board are satisfied with the performance of the charity during the year and the position at 31 July 2024 and consider that the charity is in a strong position to continue its activities during the coming year, and that the charity's assets are adequate to fulfil its obligations.

Name, registered office and constitution of the charity

The full name of the charity is Faith Awareness in Children Trust

Date of formation : 26 April 1996

Principal Office : FACT, Ashford Baptist Church, Church Road TW15 2TT

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Objectives and Activities

These are to advance the Christian Religion in particular through the education of children and adults for the purpose of furthering the Christian Faith.

FACT seeks to meet these objects by:-

1. Providing presentations in Pre-school environments
2. Developing and creating resources such as, Time to Share at Home for use of faith development in a home environment
3. Leading and contributing to church services
4. Providing Christian input into other community groups

Structure, governance and management

Organisation structure

The Trust is governed by a board of Trustees, whose numbers may vary. In the year to 31 July 2024 those who acted as Trustees were drawn from different mainline Christian denominations and differing professions and occupations. The board of Trustees is responsible for the overall direction of the charity, the appointment of employees, decisions on capital expenditure and other major policy matters. In the period under review FACT had one paid employee in the year. His role and responsibilities were:-

- The Director of Children's Ministries, who is responsible for running the Trust's affairs on a day-to-day basis, managing the team of volunteers and carrying out the work of FACT within Pre- schools and churches. He reports to the Board of Trustees at each of their meetings.
- In addition, FACT has unpaid volunteers involved in the preparation of Time to Share at Home materials, materials for use with churches and production of newsletters.

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Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for; preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations. The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the Trustees have elected to prepare these financial statements in accordance with underlying principles of the Receipts and Payments accounts and applicable law. The Trustees are responsible for:

- Keeping accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- Preparing accounts in accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.
- Safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Review of the Trust's Activities, Progress and Achievements during the period 31 July 2024.

Trustees

The Trustees had four 'hybrid' meetings during the year, to ensure attendance of as many Trustees as possible. The Trustees continually seek new trustees. The Trustees have been pleased with the success of the Director of Ministry's programme of work that has gained momentum since the inception in September 2021. The Trustees have reviewed the organisation's policies in line with an agreed plan and have regularly reviewed FACT's financial position – including ensuring value for money for all services. The Trustees have continued to discuss the future of the charity and have worked on plans for its continuation as the Director of Ministry has indicated that he is likely to retire within the next 2-3 years

Ministry and Work

The majority of the ministry activities have focused on the new 'Intergenerational Worship Services'. The project called Time 2 Worship Together completed a full year of monthly services with 4 churches. Much continues to be learned and developed. Some of the first churches to be worked with have now established their own teams and FACT's role is now one of consultation on an ad hoc basis. In the coming year 3 new churches will start their journey with FACT. Toddler group visits have grown during the year, with some new groups starting out with regular half termly presentations. The financial bookkeeping continues to be undertaken by a self-employed bookkeeper and the charity pays for her time.

'Time to Share at Home' boxes remained available to churches who wanted to give them away to households whom they wanted to support and reach out to. These boxes will be further developed in the coming year with new graphics being created and a new strategy to increase awareness of the product.

Preparations continue in readiness for the retirement of the current Director of Children's Ministry.

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Financial Review, Reserves and Future Plans

In this period of transition, income in the year to 31 July 2024 was £47,318 whilst expenditure was £48,697. Reserves at the year end were £37,887. The aspiration of 3 months reserves has been maintained and it is planned to continue this status. The trustees believe that the reserves at 31 July 2024, together with expected donations from supporters of the Trust's work will be sufficient to meet expenses and maintain the work and ministry of FACT.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 4th November 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elizabeth Wood-Dow', written in a cursive style.

Elizabeth Wood-Dow OBE - Chair Trustee

Faith Awareness in Children Trust  
Independent Examiner's Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the Board of  
Trustees of Faith Awareness in Children Trust

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. 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 examiners' statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General 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 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 Charities Act; and
  - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

for and on behalf of Mrs N A Spoor, White Hart  
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4th November 2024

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Income & Expenditure  
for the year ended 31 July 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
Incoming resources			
Voluntary income	2	47,318	64,594
Total		<u>47,318</u>	<u>64,594</u>
Total Incoming resources		<u>47,318</u>	<u>64,594</u>
Resources expended			
Costs of generating funds			
Costs of generating voluntary income	3	4,186	3,917
Costs of charitable activities	4	48,138	44,780
Total resources expended		<u>52,324</u>	<u>48,697</u>
before transfers between funds		(5,006)	15,897
Gross transfers between funds		-	-
Net incoming resources before other recognised gains and losses		<u>(5,006)</u>	<u>15,897</u>
Other recognised gains and losses		-	-
Net		<u>(5,006)</u>	<u>15,897</u>
Reconciliation of funds		-	-
Total		42,893	26,996
Total funds carried forward		<u>37,887</u>	<u>42,893</u>



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Balance Sheet  
As at 31 July 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Debtors	5	2,101	1,263
Fixed assets		82	279
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>37,225</u>	<u>42,907</u>
		39,408	44,449
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>(1,521)</u>	<u>(1,556)</u>
Net current assets		37,887	42,893
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>37,887</u>	<u>42,893</u>
Net assets		<u>37,887</u>	<u>42,893</u>
Unrestricted revenue accumulated funds	7	37,887	42,893
Restricted revenue accumulated funds		-	-
Total charity funds		<u>37,887</u>	<u>42,893</u>

Elizabeth Wood-Dow - Chair  
Trustee

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 4th November 2024

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Notes to the Accounts  
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1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards; the Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commission for England & Wales, effective April 2005 and revised in June 2008. The charity has also taken advantage of the exemption in Financial.

Incoming resources:

Donations

Donations are credited in the year in which they are receivable. Associated gift aid tax is recognised in the period when the donation is received.

Interest

Interest is credited in the year in which it is receivable.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

2	Voluntary Income	2024 £	2023 £
	Gift aid reclaimed	4,860	4,006
	Donations (including events)	42,380	60,515
	Restricted funds	-	-
	Furlough grant received	-	-
	Others	78	73
	Total voluntary income	<u>47,318</u>	<u>64,594</u>
3	Costs of generating funds	2024 £	2023 £
	Costs of generating voluntary income	<u>4,186</u>	<u>3,917</u>

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4	Costs of charitable activities	2024 £	2023 £
	Bank charges	60	72
	Paid by non-restricted funds	48,078	44,708
	Total costs of charitable activities	<u>48,138</u>	<u>44,780</u>
5	Debtors	2024 £	2023 £
	Gift aid debtor	1,050	202
	Other debtors	1,051	1,061
		<u>2,101</u>	<u>1,263</u>
6	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
		£	£
	Creditors and accruals	(148)	(148)
	Other creditors (PAYE and NIC)	(1,373)	(1,408)
		<u>(1,521)</u>	<u>(1,556)</u>
7	Unrestricted funds	2024 £	2023 £
	Balance at b/fwd	42,893	26,996
	Incoming resources	-	-
	Outgoing resources	(5,006)	15,897
	Balance at c/fwd	<u>37,887</u>	<u>42,893</u>