

**THE CITY COMMUNITY CHURCH (EXETER)
CHARITABLE TRUST**

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

CHARITY NAME	The City Community Church (Exeter) Charitable Trust
ADDRESS	13 Cleveland Street Exeter EX4 1BB
CHARITY NUMBER	1060985
TRUSTEES	Mr Ben Richards - Chair Mr Ron Impey Mrs Judy Impey Miss Nia Morrish (appointed 25 June 2020) Mr Tom Cox (appointed 25 June 2020) Mr Russell Le Puill (appointed 27 January 2021)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	M Melksham FCCA Bush & Co Limited Chartered Accountants 2 Barnfield Crescent Exeter EX1 1QT

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2021

The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 7 and comply with the charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Constitution and Objects

The City Community Church (Exeter) Charitable Trust is constituted by Deed of Trust dated 8 December 1996. Its stated objects are the promotion and advancement of Christian religion and the worship of God and the spreading of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Organisational Structure

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date the report was approved are as follows:

- Mr Ben Richards – Chair
- Mr Ron Impey
- Mrs Judy Impey
- Miss Nia Morrish (appointed 25 June 2020)
- Mr Tom Cox (appointed 25 June 2020)
- Mr Russell Le Puill (appointed 27 January 2021)

The 25th Annual General Meeting was held on 19 January 2022. The power of appointing new trustees is vested in the surviving or continuing trustees.

Main Activities and Achievements

The Trustees of City Community Church are pleased to report that the Trust has continued to meet its objectives throughout the year. When reviewing its activities, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance on Advancement of Religion.

Pre Covid we continued to meet in person on Sunday mornings as the Church's main meeting time. 50-60 individuals regularly attend from Exeter and the surrounding areas. City Community Church continues to be 'all-inclusive' and 'all-invited', with meetings open to all, regardless of regular attendance. For the majority of the period covered by this report (April 2020 -March 2021) we were unable to meet in person.

Achievements under Covid pandemic restrictions

The church complied with restrictions imposed by the government due to the Covid pandemic during this period. The majority of meetings and activities have taken place remotely using Zoom and where restrictions were eased and face to face meetings allowed, these took place if appropriate, in line with government guidance and with risk assessments in place. We have held weekly meetings on Sunday mornings on Zoom, remotely taking part in worship, prayer and holy communion. Break out groups on Zoom during and immediately after the meeting enabled people to catch up with one another.

Children's & Youth work activities were set up for separate times on Zoom and additional safeguarding guidance for remote meetings were agreed.

Small groups remain active within the Church with a variety of meetings for Bible studies and prayer meetings. Over the year these continued via Zoom. Additional social meet ups on Zoom were organised to support people and facilitate regular contact. The Friday children's club had to stop for the year and after review was not restarted.

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Main Activities and Achievements (continued)

City Community Church had employed one member of the leadership team on a part time basis to support the running of the Church and the work of its leaders prior to the financial year. A part-time Church administrator carries out general church administration and book keeping tasks.

In September 2019 a 'Pais apprentice' joined the church to support the youth, community and school's work. However due to the pandemic the Pais apprentice had to return home at the end of March 2020 so was unable to complete the full year of service.

The youth work is being co-ordinated by volunteers within the church and overseen by the employed member of the leadership team.

Early in 2020 the Trustees approved a proposal to employ a part time Children & Families worker. We were able to complete the recruitment process just prior to Covid restrictions and appointed a part time worker who began their employment in July 2020.

Our members continue to be engaged in various areas of voluntary work around the city, and the Church often supports these individuals through prayer, or financially, to ensure the continuation of these services for the benefit of the public and the wider Church community. Specifically this includes:

- Homeless shelters – meal provision and Bible studies. The meal provision continued throughout Covid restrictions.
- Involvement with school based work (remotely on Zoom and in person when restrictions have eased).
- Fundraising and volunteering to support organisations and events in the city such as Exeter Foodbank.
- A local group working towards improved community cohesion through social and other events focussed on the local park have also been supported with volunteers assisting with activities such as Fun Days and Carol Singing.

City Community Church has also provided financial support to some of its members who are currently engaged in Christian mission in other parts of the world, and this is reviewed regularly, both in terms of their level of involvement and financial needs. Regular support is directed to individuals or to organisations that our members are involved in. The Trustees also consider appeals for support from its members, and exercise discretion to make one off gifts as situations become known to them.

Premises

Since April 2019 City Community Church have rented an office / room from Isca church in Holy Trinity House.

Financial Review

The Trust reports a surplus of £1,369 in the year to 31 March 2021 (2020: surplus £162). Overall, income decreased by £4,733, 8.7%. and payments decreased by £5,940, 10.9%. Funds carried forward amounted to £38,936 (2020: £37,567).

Reserves Policy

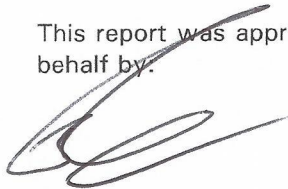
The Trustees do not consider that substantial amounts should be held in reserve but that there should be sufficient funds to cover short term cash flow fluctuations, legal obligations to staff, and take account of other committed regular giving and expenditure. £15,000 held on deposit has been set as a reserves policy based approximately upon 3 months expenditure. At the year end £38,936 was held in various accounts. The Trustees anticipate that the Church will continue to operate at a deficit so the reserves will reduced towards the reserves policy.

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This report was approved by the Trustees on19-JAN-22..... and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Ben Richards', written over a horizontal line.

Ben Richards
Chair of Trustees

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE CITY COMMUNITY CHURCH (EXETER) CHARITABLE TRUST**

I report on the receipt and payments accounts and statement of assets and liabilities of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 6 to 8.

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 145 of the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 145 (5) (b) of the Act; and
- to 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 the seeking of 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:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - b) 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
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Matthew Melksham FCCA
Bush & Co Limited
Chartered Accountants
2 Barnfield Crescent
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EX1 1QT

Date: 19 - JAN - 2022

THE CITY COMMUNITY CHURCH (EXETER) CHARITABLE TRUST
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
RECEIPTS							
Collections and Gifts		40,202	535	40,737	42,643	1,439	44,082
Gift Aid Tax Refunds & GASDS		6,381	-	6,381	7,674	65	7,739
Premises Licence		-	-	-	-	-	-
Residential Events		-	-	-	1,580	-	1,580
Friday Club Contributions		-	-	-	485	-	485
Bank Interest		205	-	205	242	-	242
Other Income		2,114	-	2,114	42	-	42
		<u>48,902</u>	<u>535</u>	<u>49,437</u>	<u>52,666</u>	<u>1,504</u>	<u>54,170</u>
PAYMENTS							
Resources		242	-	242	1,615	-	1,615
Residential Events		-	-	-	1,781	-	1,781
Giving – Overseas & UK		12,456	-	12,456	13,321	115	13,436
Giving – Special Collections		-	825	825	-	1,695	1,695
PAIS Scheme		200	-	200	3,309	-	3,309
Sunday Services		153	-	153	4,081	-	4,081
Office Costs		2,785	-	2,785	2,694	-	2,694
General Administration		7,816	-	7,816	8,288	-	8,288
Leadership		22,913	-	22,913	16,431	-	16,431
Ludwell Centre Maintenance & Hospitality		-	-	-	-	-	-
Independent Examination		678	-	678	678	-	678
		<u>47,243</u>	<u>825</u>	<u>48,068</u>	<u>52,198</u>	<u>1,810</u>	<u>54,008</u>
NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)		1,659	(290)	1,369	468	(306)	162
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS	2	(290)	290	-	(306)	306	-
CASH FUNDS B/F		<u>37,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,567</u>	<u>37,405</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,405</u>
CASH FUNDS C/F		<u>38,936</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,936</u>	<u>37,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,567</u>

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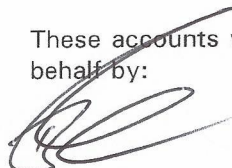
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
CASH FUNDS				
CAF Bank Account	10,677	-	10,677	6,513
COIF Charities Deposit Fund	4,909	-	4,909	7,900
Kingdom Bank April Bond	10,524	-	10,524	10,435
Kingdom Bank October Bond	12,704	-	12,704	12,597
Petty Cash	122	-	122	122
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	38,936	-	38,936	37,567
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OTHER MONETARY ASSETS				
Gift Aid	588	-	588	588
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ASSETS RETAINED FOR CHARITY'S USE				
Cost of Equipment	-	16,679	-	16,679
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LIABILITIES				
Creditors	-	-	-	-
PAYE	195	-	195	194
Independent Examiner's Fee	696	-	696	696
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	891	-	891	890
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The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 19-JAN-22 and signed on their behalf by:



Ben Richards
Chair of Trustees