



Trustees' Annual Report for the period			
Period start date		Period end date	
6	April	5	April
From		To	
2022		2023	

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Bennett Memorial Diocesan School Charity
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1061647
Charity's principal address	Bennett Memorial Diocesan School Culverden Down Tunbridge Wells Postcode TN4 9SH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mr S P M Curtis	Chair	
2	Mrs S Curling		School Leadership Team
3	Mrs B Holden		
4	Mr J Sparke	Headteacher	Ex officio
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			
11			
12			
13			
14			
15			
16			
17			
18			
19			
20			

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
The Incorporated Rochester Diocesan Board of Education	

Section C Objectives and activities

- You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:
- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
 - the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
 - relationship with any related parties;
 - trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

As trustees, governors of the school or members of school staff, the trustees have received training and are familiar with the charity's aims and objectives.

The trustees do not believe the charity, as a grant-making body, is subject to any substantial risk beyond the liabilities disclosed in this report.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)

How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)

Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)

Deed of Trust dated 4 March 1997 subject to a Supplemental Deed dated 24 September 2013 and a further amendment on 15 July 2015

Trust

Headteacher of the Bennett Memorial Diocesan School (ex officio), a member of the school community nominated by the School's Leadership Team, and three trustees who are appointed by the existing Trustees from people who are Trustees of the Tenax Schools Trust or members of the school's local governing body at the time of their appointment. At least one Trustee of the charity must be a Trustee of the Tenax Schools Trust.

Description of the charity's trusts

Section B Structure, governance and management

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Graeme Kingshott	17 Edgehill Road Sheffield S7 1SP

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

--

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The object of the trust is to advance the education of students attending the Bennett Memorial Diocesan School, Tunbridge Wells, Kent by making payments to the school leadership team and others for such purposes as the trustees may determine.

The trust raises funds primarily through donations from parents of students at the school. These funds are used to make grants to the school for activities or costs which are not covered by public funding. This enables the school to enhance the educational experience of students, particularly supporting the Christian ethos of the school and the wider curriculum.

As all of the trustees are also trustees of the Tenax Schools Trust or governors or teachers of the school, they are able to see how the charity money benefits the teaching and learning of students and therefore achieving the charity's objectives.

The trustees have considered charity commission guidance on Public Benefit and believe that as an academy serving the community this is clearly met.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Section D Achievements and performance

- You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:
- policy on grantmaking;
 - policy programme related investment;
 - contribution made by volunteers.

Achievements and performance

Section D

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

- This year the trust made donations to provide the following for the school:
- A book for each for Year 7 student as they begin their studies a Bennett, to give them the opportunity to read more easily and widely.
 - Musical Equipment to enable all students in the lower school to have the opportunity to play a musical instrument.
 - Tents- we have an extensive Duke of Edinburgh programme at the school covering bronze, silver and gold levels. Some of the tents used for the expeditions required replacement and this enables the experience to be offered at an affordable price.
 - To contribute towards the BBQ provided to all Year 7 and Year 8 students to celebrate their achievements.
- The trustees have also continued to support the cost of Founders' Day and the Chaplaincy.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

The trustees acknowledge that funds raised should be expended as soon as possible on the objectives of the school charity. Although the funds held by the charity are at times substantial, they are essentially of a short-term nature since they are always available to meet requests from the school to finance projects for the advancement of the education of its students.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

- You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:
- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
 - how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
 - investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The trustees have decided this year to continue to prepare receipt and payments accounts rather than accrual accounts. This simplified form of accounting is allowed under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 provided the charity's gross income is not over £250,000.

The charity is fully cash-based and dependent on the support of parents and others in order to achieve its main objectives. The trustees are very grateful for the generous support still given by so many parents.

Parents usually give support through regular giving and at 5 April 2023 there were 233 donors through gift aid. The claim was submitted after the end of the financial year.

Regular monthly income from parents averaged £4,384 down from £5,072 in 2022.

The trustees consider that as a grant making trust they are a going concern.

No trustee received remuneration or expenses during the year (2022) - nil)

Section F Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		S A Gilling	
Full name(s)		SIMON CURTIS	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		CHAIR	
		TRUSTEE	
Date		19/6/2023	



CC16a

Section A Receipts and payments

Donations and Gifts

Sub total (Gross income for AR)

Sub total

Total receipts

Donations to Bennett Memorial

Sub total

Sub total

Total payments

Net of receipts/(payments)

A6 Cash funds last year end

Cash funds this year end

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories

Details

B1 Cash funds

Nat West Current Account	100
Nat West Reserve Account	29,154
Lloyds 32 day notice account	134,764
Lloyds Business Account	33,464

Total cash funds

Unrestricted funds	197,482
Restricted funds	-
Endowment funds	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

B3 Investment assets

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

B5 Liabilities

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

SIMON CURTIS

19/6/23

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Details	B5 Liabilities	B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	B3 Investment assets	B2 Other monetary assets
Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Details	Details	Details	Details	Details
to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29,154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
134,764	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33,464	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
197,482	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Details	Details	Details	Details	Details
to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29,154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
134,764	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33,464	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
197,482	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/ members of

The Bennett Memorial Diocesan School Charity

On accounts for the year ended

5 April 2023

Charity no.:

1061647

Set out on pages

1 - 5

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The 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 examiner's statement

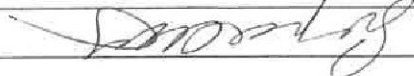
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures 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 to indicate that:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records;
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

Signed:



Date:

6 June 2023

Name: Graeme Paul Kingshott		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):		
ACA - ICAEW		
Address:		
17 Edgehill Road	Sheffield	S7 1SP

Section B	
Disclosure	

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.