

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY, SCARBOROUGH

England & Wales · Charity number 1068941

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1998-03-30

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

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Scarborough
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Activities

Objects: MAINTAINING AND SPREADING THE UNDIVIDED GOSPEL OF CHRISTIANITY AS FOUNDED IN THE BIBLE AND INTERPRETED IN SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES BY MARY BAKER EDDY, THE DISCOVERER AND FOUNDER OF CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Activities: Compassion bases our community outreach. All are most welcome to our Sunday service, our Sunday School (up to age 20) and Testimony Meetings. Our Reading Room is open to anyone wishing to learn more about Christian Science and is known as a place of sanctuary. We sponsor public talks on Christian healing and daily seek to address local, national and global issues through prayer.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£82,877	£45,484	-	-
2023-12-31	£23,672	£30,211	-	-
2022-12-31	£77,611	£29,938	-	-
2021-12-31	£45,478	£43,769	-	-
2020-12-31	£98,861	£109,033	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jane Leigh	Chair	2025-01-01
Ilona McGivern		2025-05-12
Jane Leigh		2024-11-04
Rosemary French		2026-01-01

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SCARBOROUGH CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

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Trustees Annual Report & Financial Statement For the period 1st January 2024 – 31st December 2024

(incorporating the Financial Statement for the same time period) (to be attached after the AGM in March 2025)

**Christian Science Society 60 Ramshill Road Scarborough YO11 2QG Website:
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Names of the Trustees who manage the Charity for the calendar year 2024

Name and Office: Marlene Scott Chair of the Executive Board

Peter Daniel-Board member

Alex Mills- Board member

Note 1. There were no resignations in the period covered by this report

Name of Bookkeeper

Alan Moss

AJ Bookkeeping 4 Cromwell Road Scarborough YO11 2DR

Names of others with delegated responsibilities:

Carol Daniel – Treasurer and Clerk; Safeguarding remit

Peter Daniel– President(Members Meetings); First Reader –Ilona McGivern

Second Reader – Carol Daniel;

Librarian – Peter Daniel;

Sunday School Superintendent- Jane Dickinson Scott

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The Executive Board/Charity Trustees have continued to meet most months of the year via Zoom as some Trustees are not locally resident to enable in person meetings. At all the Trustees meetings the Treasurer has provided an update on the Society's finances. During this period, the following policies were reviewed and appropriately amended:- Financial Reserves where some amendments were needed to cover increased obligations of being landlords

to flats whose income is vital to the Society and increased maintenance for the church as new energy saving measures come online; Conflicts of Interest Policy and Declarations; Data Privacy where some amendments were needed to clarify what data is held; Health & Safety Policy and Financial Oversight Policy; Safeguarding and Disclosure and Barring associated policies need amendment due to requiring a new umbrella body to oversee DBS checks. Consideration was also given to a Social Media Policy but not instigated at this time of recording. The minutes of Trustee meetings do record the review schedule and any amendments.

The Trustees have also set the agendas for the bi-monthly Members' Meetings and made various proposals for discussion at those meetings. Themes for prayer are also discussed and then implemented to support the needs of the community.

A significant donation received this year from a church of our denomination that had to close down wished Scarborough to carry on with the same charitable purposes they had. Thus, members of the Society decided to devote a good proportion of this money to the furtherance of outreach to the public by supporting a project to reinvigorate the York Reading Room along with other Yorkshire based Christian Science societies and churches. This project is ongoing and some members of this Society are on the organising committee. The donation can also assist with providing more lecture outreach.

Church Services

We were so happy to continue in-person Sunday services in church during the year and we have been able to livestream these services in order to reach those who cannot attend church in person. The livestream Sunday services can be easily accessed through our website where there is an immediate link available. We thank our member who regularly carries out this role that means the Sunday livestream is available every week. We have invested in upgrading the technology and are considering extra personnel to carry it out effectively. We have also been holding an in-person testimony meeting at lunchtime on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month and it is now available via Zoom to anyone who would prefer to access such a meeting at that time of day. Alongside this we have continued providing an online Zoom meeting in the evenings on the same Wednesdays and it is encouraging to report that these meetings generally attract a greater number from a wider region than are able to attend in person at the church premises. We are grateful to a former member who is the technical host for the evening meetings. This kind of provision has brought about a further application for supporting our work through membership of the Society.

We continue to prayerfully support the idea of welcoming children more regularly into the refurbished Sunday School and nursery area. Sometimes we do have visiting young people of church members into the

Nursery/Sunday School and on what is termed Association Sunday we have welcomed a large number of students of a listed Christian Science Teacher to our church and Sunday School.

Reading Room

Our Reading Room is open on a regular basis on Wednesdays 10-12 and 2-4 and on Saturdays 10-12. Visitors come in to make enquiries about our denomination and during the year there have been 35 visitors who have engaged in deep and meaningful conversations. We have continued the regular Bible Reading activity in the Reading Room on a Wednesday afternoon and have made this available to join online via Zoom. In the recent readings of the Sermon on the Mount we have had people joining us online from other parts of Yorkshire, all over the UK, Italy, Germany, Canada, USA and Switzerland.

Outside, by our front door, we maintain a literature distribution box for all our church publications. The Christian Science Monitor is taken regularly and is very popular with passers-by. It is a weekly news magazine, which has won many accolades for its low-ego, high-curiosity journalism. Its mission is to injure no man and to bless all mankind. We also often feature quotations from the weekly Sentinel magazine in our public facing window. As it is written by hand on a flip chart, it attracts attention and many passers-by stop to read the messages they find there, providing uplifting ideas to the community. The Christian Science Journal is a monthly publication that is stocked. It includes a worldwide directory of Christian Science Practitioners who make themselves publicly available to respond to requests for prayer. They work with people of any location, background, culture or faith. We are happy to note that one of our members is listed in this directory.

Lecture

An important activity for our outreach is that of providing a lecture to the public on Christian Science. This year in April we held an in-person lecture entitled "A Lasting, Healing Solution to Hopelessness" given by Alison Hughes CS alongside an Open Day for the Reading Room. We had an enthusiastic visitor, new to the ideas of Christian Science who travelled from West Yorkshire to attend the lecture who then spent much time in conversation with the lecturer afterwards.

We also were able to sponsor another lecture, given by Philip Hockley CS at HMP Lindholme to a number of men and staff there which was recorded and afterwards made available to all at the prison via their computer network. It was entitled "A Way out of Crime, Addiction and Disability."

Prison Chaplaincy work

It is very pleasing to report that one of our members is now on the chaplaincy team that supports prisoners in various facilities in the Yorkshire region. She was a key link this year in facilitating the lecture in HMP Lindholme and the

lecturer was happy to report that her work has established excellent relations with the chaplaincy team there and the atmosphere was most welcoming. She keeps us regularly updated on the nature of the input she can provide and the members support this work by providing access to Christian Science publications that may help and uplift those she works with.

Thanks to volunteers

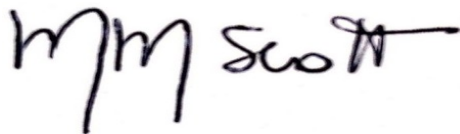
Some of our activities could not go ahead successfully without the support of members, non-members and relatives of members. We would like to thank those who have given their time and expertise in carrying out some maintenance work, in supporting the Reading Room work and conducting livestreaming. We also appreciate the dedication of our pianist who travels some distance to play for our Sunday Services.

The Financial Review for the period covered by this Trustees Annual Report will be prepared by our bookkeeper for presentation at the Members Annual Meeting in March 2025. It will be approved and signed off at that meeting by all members, including the Trustees and sent to the Charity Commission.

This Trustees Annual Report was agreed by the retiring Board of Trustees

Signed:

Date: 16/12/2024

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M M Scott', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Board Chair

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
SCARBOROUGH

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Christian Science Society
I report on the accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2024

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Society's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustee
consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 432 of the Charities Act 1993 and
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Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2024

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Independent Examiner's Statement

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To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting
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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.

Alan Jones

Alan Jones
A J Bookkeeping
4 Cromwell Road
Scarborough
North Yorkshire
Date: 18 February 2025

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It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act)
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act: and
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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Total Funds 2023
Receipts		
Collections	£ 1,330	£ 1,198
Donations	£ 61,263	£ 6,201
Bank Interest	£ 1,131	£ -
Rents Received	£ 12,120	£ 12,150
Tax Refunds	£ 1,423	£ 1,449
Grants Received	£ 1,976	
Insurance Claim		
Reading Room Receipts	£ 3,634	£ 2,674
	<u>£ 82,877</u>	<u>£ 23,672</u>
Expenses		
Bank Charges	£ 144	£ 137
Cleaning	£ 1,250	£ 1,229
Printing Stationery Advertising	£ 2,031	£ 24
Lighting & Heating	£ 4,505	£ 3,497
Telephone & Internet	£ 588	£ 534
Insurance	£ 2,831	£ 3,050
Rates & Water	£ 230	£ 249
Travel Expenses	£ 95	£ 118
Pianist/Soloist	£ 1,090	£ 1,020
Donations Made	£ 5,375	£ 300
Committee on Publication	£ 325	£ 150
Lecture Expenses	£ 415	£ 3,571
Repairs & Maintenance	£ 3,726	£ 6,066
Technical Host	£ 1,836	£ 1,638
Letting Agent Fees	£ 1,745	£ 1,750
Legal & Accounting	£ 1,550	£ 1,440
Sundry Expenses	£ 336	£ 151
Website	£ 223	£ 36
Information Technology	£ 10,049	£ 101
Dues & Subscriptions	£ 1,041	£ 944
Monies to Reading Rooms	£ 2,650	£ 1,400
Reading Room Expenditure	£ 3,449	£ 2,806
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Excess of Receipts over Payments	£ 37,393	-£ 6,539
Balance Brought Forward	£ 74,354	£ 80,893
Retained Earnings		
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£ 111,747</u>	<u>£ 74,354</u>

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2024

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Monetary Assets		
Bank Current Account	£ 44,159	£ 38,604
Savings Account	£ 66,133	£ 35,000
Undeposited Funds	£ 1,046	£ 498
Reading Room Account	£ 409	£ 252
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Non Monetary Assets

Freehold Property

The freehold property at 60 Ramshill Road, Scarborough is owned by the charity and was purchased from unrestricted funds

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Although most of the refurbishment of the church and Reading Room areas was completed last year, there have been some further improvements made this year. The Sunday School area has now been furnished with a new mural, extra resources aimed at very young children and a colourful radiator screen. In the church auditorium some coloured adhesive panels have been added to the lower windows to enhance the view for those accessing the church services via live-streaming.

Other issues that arose during the year included the resignation of the Clerk and of the Health and Safety Officer. The former issue was partially resolved by sharing the Clerk duties between various Board members or other Society members. The Trustees also implemented greater negotiation with the management company who deal with building issues for the tenants in our building in regard to health and safety issues in the church and Reading Room areas.

Unfortunately, the Reading Room window was smashed (along with other windows in the vicinity) and the Trustees had to work with our insurance company and the managing agents to get the repair work completed and paid for. The payment was quickly effected but there were significant delays in getting the new window pane installed. Some "making good" is still required.

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Reading Room

Our Reading Room is open on a regular basis on Wednesdays 10-12 and 2-4 and on Saturdays 10-12. Our large windows on both sides of the building feature uplifting and encouraging ideas to help our community through large posters and a multi-media daylight screen. Visitors enjoy our Reading Room as a centre for spiritual discovery which provides them with a peaceful space to read, pray, get inspired and nurture their connection with God.

Outside, by our front door, we maintain a literature distribution box for all our church publications. The Christian Science Monitor is taken regularly and is very popular with passers-by. It is a weekly news magazine, which has won many accolades for its low-ego, high-curiosity journalism. Its mission is to injure no man and to bless all mankind.

The Christian Science Journal is a monthly publication that is stocked. It includes a worldwide directory of Christian Science Practitioners who make themselves publicly available to respond to requests for prayer. They work with people of any location, background, culture or faith. One of our members is listed in this directory.

We have continued the regular Bible Reading activity in the Reading Room on a Wednesday afternoon and have made this available to join online via Zoom. In the recent readings of the Sermon on the Mount we have had people joining us online from other parts of Yorkshire, Kent, Italy, Canada and Switzerland.

Our Librarian alerted us to the 'Big Ideas By the Sea' event taking place in Scarborough and he engaged with the organisers and attended an event about environmental impacts. The Christian Science literature made available in the Reading Room supported the environmental issues raised. Our Reading Room organised an 'Open Day' to coincide with the 'Big Ideas' event and visitors joined us to share their interests and thoughts and to learn something of Christian Science.

Throughout the year we have encounters with individuals in the community who find the Reading Room to be a quiet place where they find approval, where they are listened to and where they can speak openly about themselves and their life experiences. Through

this kind of outreach, the members can be made aware of the needs of those in the local community and be collectively praying to support these needs. The Reading Room team have engaged with local businesses and established productive relationships with their proprietors and staff.

Lecture

An important activity for our outreach is that of providing a lecture to the public on Christian Science. This year we again decided to have an online lecture. Our lecture lead person this year was Margaret Perry Scott and she linked us up with Janet Hegarty CSB, based in the USA for a lecture entitled "How To Make Change For The Better." This was given live on Saturday 26th March and afterwards it was available online for some time. The analytics from the webplayer, Facebook pages and YouTube views show that the lecture was accessed over 300 times. We are so pleased that this event reached so many people and give our thanks to Trust Brit who gave us a 75% grant towards this activity.

Later in the year, a UK wide Summit on Christian Science took place in Birmingham from October 28th-30th. Several members attended and we also know that newcomers were welcomed and enjoyed the variety of activities on offer. One of our members was on the national organising committee. The Society supported the Summit by jointly sponsoring a lecture at the event. It was given by Alexandre Fischer CSB and entitled "Finding the Light That Frees Us From Fear." It was seen live by many participants and again was made available for views online

Prison Chaplaincy work

It is very pleasing to report that one of our members is now on the chaplaincy team that supports prisoners in various facilities in the Yorkshire region. She keeps us regularly updated on the nature of the input she can provide and the members support the work through prayer and by providing access to Christian Science publications that may help and uplift those she works with.

Thanks to volunteers

Some of our activities could not go ahead successfully without the support of non-members. We would like to thank those who have given their time and expertise in carrying out some maintenance work and in developing our Asset Register and in supporting the Reading Room activity.

The Financial Review for the period covered by this Trustees Annual Report will be prepared by our bookkeeper for presentation at the Members Annual Meeting in March 2023. It will be approved and signed off at that meeting by all members, including the Trustees and sent to the Charity Commission.

This Trustees Annual Report was agreed by the retiring Board of Trustees

Signed:

Peter Daniel

Date: 9.1.23.

Chair person



CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
SCARBOROUGH

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Christian Science Society

I report on the accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Society's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustee's duties consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 43(2) of the Companies Act 1985 and that an independent examination is needed.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

SCARBOROUGH

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2022

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Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the

accounting requirements of the 1985 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 be reached.

Alan Moss
A J Bookkeeping
4 Cromwell Road
Scarborough
North Yorkshire

Dated 20 January 2023

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

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Scarborough
North Yorkshire
Dated 20 January 2023

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted Total Funds 2022	Unrestricted Total Funds 2021
Receipts		
Collections	£ 1,713	£ 677
Donations	£ 56,475	£ 13,374
Bank Interest	£ -	£ 1
Rents Received	£ 12,060	£ 12,000
Tax Refunds	£ 1,573	£ 1,482
Grants Received	£ 2,624	£ 15,183
Insurance Claim	£ 534	
Reading Room Receipts	£ 2,632	£ 2,761
	<u>£ 77,611</u>	<u>£ 45,478</u>
Expenses		
Bank Charges	£ 154	£ 61
Cleaning	£ 1,333	£ 560
Printing Stationery Advertising	£ 1,643	£ 35
Lighting & Heating	£ 1,482	£ 1,388
Telephone & Internet	£ 474	£ 407
Insurance	£ 2,384	£ 2,368
Rates & Water	£ 159	£ 249
Reading Room Expenses		£ 250
Pianist/Soloist	£ 1,090	£ 245
Donations Made	£ 1,500	£ 367
Committee on Publication	£ 155	£ 163
Lecture Expenses	£ 2,296	£ 2,992
Repairs & Maintenance	£ 6,435	£ 14,013
Librarian's Fees/Technical Host	£ 1,432	£ 2,592
Letting Agent Fees	£ 2,536	£ 1,637
Legal & Accounting	£ 1,440	£ 1,963
Sundry Expenses	£ 418	£ 117
Website		
Information Technology	£ 544	£ 9,166
Dues & Subscriptions	£ 669	£ 604
Monies to Reading Rooms	£ 1,320	£ 1,500
Reading Room Expenditure	£ 2,474	£ 3,092
	<u>£ 29,938</u>	<u>£ 43,769</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments	£ 47,673	£ 1,709
Balance Brought Forward	£ 33,220	£ 31,511
Retained Earnings		
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£ 80,893</u>	<u>£ 33,220</u>

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2022

		Unrestricted Total Funds 2022		Unrestricted Total Funds 2021
Monetary Assets				
Bank Current Account	£	80,045	£	18,273
Management Account			£	14,012
Undeposited Funds	£	488	£	672
Reading Room Account	£	360	£	263
	£	<u>80,893</u>	£	<u>33,220</u>

Non Monetary Assets

Freehold Property

The freehold property at 60 Ramshill Road, Scarborough is owned by the charity and was purchased from unrestricted funds

Fixtures Fittings and Equipment

The Charity owns various fixtures, fittings and equipment, including tables chairs, soft furnishings and electrical equipment, all of which were purchased from unrestricted funds and are used for the charity's ongoing activities.

Stock

The charity maintains a small stock of books and church literature for sale to the public.

Approved by the Board on 9.1.23

and signed on its behalf by:

Peter Daniel

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY, SCARBOROUGH

England & Wales - Charity number 1068941

Accounts

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

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Alan Moss
A J Bookkeeping
4 Cromwell Road
Scarborough
North Yorkshire
Dated 17 January 2022

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted Total Funds 2021	Unrestricted Total Funds 2020
Receipts		
Collections	£ 677	£ 1,476
Donations	£ 13,374	£ 14,661
Bank Interest	£ 1	£ 17
Rents Received	£ 12,000	£ 11,970
Tax Refunds	£ 1,482	£ 1,450
Grants Received	£ 15,183	£ 65,877
Reading Room Receipts	£ 2,761	£ 3,410
	<u>£ 45,478</u>	<u>£ 98,861</u>
Expenses		
Bank Charges	£ 61	£ 89
Cleaning	£ 560	£ 388
Printing Stationery Advertising	£ 35	£ 71
Lighting & Heating	£ 1,388	£ 1,177
Telephone & Internet	£ 407	£ 349
Insurance	£ 2,368	£ 2,586
Rates & Water	£ 249	£ 150
Reading Room Expenses	£ 250	£ 356
Pianist/Soloist	£ 245	£ 300
Donations Made	£ 367	£ 300
Committee on Publication	£ 163	£ 125
Lecture Expenses	£ 2,992	£ 2,452
Repairs & Maintenance	£ 14,013	£ 83,409
Librarian's Fees/Technical Host	£ 2,592	£ 2,525
Letting Agent Fees	£ 1,637	£ 1,923
Legal & Accounting	£ 1,963	£ 1,204
Sundry Expenses	£ 117	£ 65
Website	£	£ 61
Information Technology	£ 9,166	£ 6,303
Dues & Subscriptions	£ 604	£ 288
Monies to Reading Rooms	£ 1,500	£ 1,200
Reading Room Expenditure	£ 3,092	£ 3,712
	<u>£ 43,769</u>	<u>£ 109,033</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments	£ 1,709	-£ 10,172
Balance Brought Forward	£ 31,511	£ 41,683
Retained Earnings	£	£
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£ 33,220</u>	<u>£ 31,511</u>

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted Total Funds 2021	Unrestricted Total Funds 2020
Monetary Assets		
Bank Current Account	£ 18,273	£ 16,198
Management Account	£ 14,012	£ 14,509
Undeposited Funds	£ 672	£ 148
Reading Room Account	£ 263	£ 656
	£ 33,220	£ 31,511

Non Monetary Assets

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Stock

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Approved by the Board on

and signed on its behalf by:

Approved by the members at AGM
 President: *Jane Dickinson-Scott* 14/3/22

14/03/22

SCARBOROUGH CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Registered Charity Number 1068941

Trustees Annual Report & Financial Statement

For the period 1st January – 31st December 2021

(incorporating the Financial Statement for the same time period)

(to be attached after the AGM in March 2022)

Christian Science Society

60 Ramshill Road

Scarborough

YO11 2QG

Website: www.scarboroughchristianscience.com

This report is the Trustees report and covers the activities of Scarborough Christian Science Society for the year 2021 and the financial statement covering the same period.

Reference & Administration Details

Charity Details

Name: Scarborough Christian Science Society

Registered Charity Number: 1068941

Address: 60 Ramshill Road, Scarborough, N. Yorks, YO11 2QG

Names of the Trustees who manage the Charity for the calendar year 2021

Name	Office
Carol Daniel	Chair of the Executive Board
Jane Leigh	Board member
Ilona McGivern	Board member

Note 1. There were no resignations in the period covered by this report

Name of Bookkeeper

Alan Moss
AJ Bookkeeping
4 Cromwell Road
Scarborough
YO11 2DR

Names of others with delegated responsibilities

Peter Daniel – Clerk and Librarian
Kevin Ashdown – Health & Safety Officer
Carol Daniel – Treasurer and Safeguarding remit
Jane Dickinson Scott – President (Members Meetings)
First Reader – Rosemary French
Second Reader – Ilona McGivern

Note 2. The Charity has no employees. All activities are carried out by volunteers or self-employed persons.

Structure, Government and Management

Description of the Charity's Objects

To maintain, practise and raise awareness of the Truth as set forth in the Bible and in Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science.

This is done through church activities including, but not limited to, providing regular church services and testimony meetings, offering Sunday School classes, maintaining a public Reading Room and sponsoring Christian Science talks – all for the public benefit.

Type of Governing Document

The Society is governed by an official set of Bye-Laws. Originally adopted in 2005 and amended (according to the rules laid down at each amendment date) in 2015 and December 2020.

How the Charity is Constituted

Scarborough Christian Science Society is a non-incorporated charity under the advancement of religion designation.

Trustee Selection Method

The Executive Board is elected by the Society membership annually by ballot and may have 3-5 members. This Board constitutes the Charity Trustees. The rules are set out in the Bye-laws.

How New Trustees are inducted and Trained

New Trustees are given access to recent minutes of Trustee/Board meetings and all policies in place are available to them. A joint meeting of the retiring Board and the new Board is scheduled before the new Trustee period begins. All Trustees are given access to the Charity Commission document concerning expectations of Charity Trustees and on public benefit.

Statutory Declaration on Public Benefit

The Trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Executive Summary and Reports of Activities, Achievements and Performance

The Executive Board/Charity Trustees have continued to meet regularly via Zoom because the Government restrictions surrounding Covid 19 remained in place for much of the year.

At all the Trustees meetings a report on the current finances was provided by the Treasurer.

During this period, the following policies were reviewed and appropriately amended. Safeguarding; Financial Reserves; Complaints; Conflicts of Interest Policy and Declaration; Data Privacy; Health & Safety Policy and a Financial Oversight Policy was introduced.

The Trustees are also able to report that the correct mailing address has now been officially registered at the Land Registry to avoid any confusion with addresses held by tenants in the flats within the same building.

The new Bye-laws adopted at the end of 2020 had made it possible to include members from more distant locations and so some protocols were introduced to help with holding member meetings online and giving everyone access to decision making. We have welcomed 3 new members this year. One of them is based in Italy and through using Zoom for our services and testimony meetings, we maintained contact with interested people in different parts of the UK and other countries such as Sweden, the Netherlands and the USA. We are so happy to report that the lockdown has, in fact, enabled us to widen our outreach in these ways.

A large renovation of our church, Reading Room and Sunday School area was the focus for much of the year. The work was begun in 2020 but during 2021 the Trustees oversaw the completion of many needed works. This has included improving the damp proofing in certain parts of the premises. We now have new furnishings in the Reading Room, bright and colourful decorations and carpeting throughout the main public areas. There has also been a considerable amount of "decluttering"!

During the year, The Trustees and members appointed a Health and Safety Officer to assist with keeping on track with such issues on behalf of the Society. We thank Kevin Ashdown for his advice and experience in such matters, which has enabled us to update our Health and Safety Policy and ensure we follow all guidelines and recording procedures. Following a survey of fire safety measures, we have now cleared our storage cupboard of any combustible items and increased our signage. A new thumb-lock has been put into the back door, our secondary fire escape route, to make exit immediately available in an emergency.

Church Services

For most months earlier in the year, all our services took place online via Zoom. Our congregation grew to include visitors from Sweden, the Netherlands and Switzerland as well as those in Northern Counties of the UK who were not able to attend their own local services. In September we felt ready to return to Sunday services in church and with considerable grant assistance from the CS Trust in Great Britain we have been able to live stream these services in order to reach those who cannot attend church in person. The live stream services can be easily accessed through our website where there is an immediate link available. We are especially grateful to our member Margaret Perry Scott who has been our "Technical Host" for this facility and are thankful for the expertise of those connected with the UK Online Christian Science Reading Room who sourced the required equipment and ensured it was all installed correctly.

We have also been holding an in-person testimony meeting on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Alongside this we have continued providing an online Zoom meeting in the evenings on the same Wednesdays and it is encouraging to report that these meetings are attracting 3 times the usual attendance at in-person meetings in the past.

We continue to prayerfully support the idea of welcoming children into the now refurbished Sunday School.

Reading Room

The activity in the Reading Room was clearly curtailed during the lock down periods, but we thank our Librarian, Peter Daniel, for continuing to monitor the state of the premises and maintaining outreach via the window displays during those times. He also ensured that all the subscribers to the Christian Science literature distributed from the Reading Room still received it either by post or personal delivery.

Once lockdown restrictions were lifted, it was possible to re-start in person Reading Room activities and we have welcomed several very sincere and thoughtful people to engage with the ideas we have to share. We have re-instated the large display screen and produced new posters that keep the windows active and provide ongoing outreach to the public. We have also begun some regular Bible Reading activity in the Reading Room on a Wednesday afternoon and have made this available to join online via Zoom. In the recent readings of the Sermon on the Mount we have had people joining us online from other parts of Yorkshire, Italy, Canada, Switzerland and New York USA!

At all times we observed the recommendations for Covid 19 protection.

Lecture

An important activity for our outreach is that of providing a lecture to the public on Christian Science. This year we again decided to have an online lecture. This was given by Alexandre Fischer CSB from France on 6th May 2021 and was hosted by the Online Reading Room website spirituality4.me. The lecture was entitled "Finding the Light that Frees Us from Fear". Visitors reported that it was easy to understand and contained helpful ideas. We thank our Lecture Committee Lead, Anne Mephram, for the work she put in to ensure there was powerful prayerful support for this activity. Members and other supporters around the County joined the 3 day prayer rota for the lecture.

Some feedback figures were reported at our Members' Meeting later that month. 217 people attended via the web player; 106 people via Facebook, 58 people via You Tube and 2 people attended via the telephone. We also express our thanks to those who organised local advertising, posters, handbills etc to advertise the lecture. The lecture would also be available to revisit online for a limited period.

We are so pleased that this event reached so many people and give our thanks to Trust Brit who gave us a 75% grant towards this activity.

The Financial Review for the period covered by this Trustees Annual Report will be prepared by our bookkeeper for presentation at the Members Annual Meeting in March 2022. It will be approved and signed off at that meeting by all members, including the Trustees and sent to the Charity Commission.

This Trustees Annual Report was agreed by the retiring Board of Trustees

Signed: *Carol Daniel*

Date: *14th February 2022*

Chair person *for 2021 Board*

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY, SCARBOROUGH

England & Wales - Charity number 1068941

Accounts

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
SCARBOROUGH**

**Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2020**

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted Total Funds 2020	Unrestricted Total Funds 2019
<u>Receipts</u>		
Collections	£ 1,476	£ 6,659
Donations	£ 14,661	£ 5,551
Bank Interest	£ 17	£ 110
Rents Received	£ 11,970	£ 10,154
Tax Refunds	£ 1,450	£ 1,101
Grants Received	£ 65,877	£ -
Reading Room Receipts	£ 3,410	£ 3,410
	<u>£ 98,861</u>	<u>£ 26,984</u>
<u>Expenses</u>		
Bank Charges	£ 89	£ 48
Cleaning	£ 388	£ 1,324
Printing Stationery Advertising	£ 71	£ 273
Lighting & Heating	£ 1,177	£ 1,206
Telephone & Internet	£ 349	£ 339
Insurance	£ 2,586	£ 2,458
Rates & Water	£ 150	£ 534
Reading Room Expenses	£ 356	£ 468
Pianist/Soloist	£ 300	£ 1,575
Donations Made	£ 300	£ 911
Committee on Publication	£ 125	£ 213
Lecture Expenses	£ 2,452	£ 6,326
Repairs & Maintenance	£ 83,409	£ 17,220
Librarian's Fees	£ 2,525	£ 3,229
Letting Agent Fees	£ 1,923	£ 1,634
Legal & Accounting	£ 1,204	£ 1,204
Sundry Expenses	£ 65	£ 141
Website	£ 61	£ 15
Information Technology	£ 6,303	£ -
Dues & Subscriptions	£ 288	£ 172
Monies to Reading Rooms	£ 1,200	£ 1,200
Reading Room Expenditure	£ 3,712	£ 5,160
	<u>£ 109,033</u>	<u>£ 45,650</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments	-£ 10,172	-£ 18,665
Balance Brought Forward	£ 41,683	£ 60,348
Retained Earnings		
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£ 31,511</u>	<u>£ 41,683</u>

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY SCARBOROUGH

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted Total Funds 2020	Unrestricted Total Funds 2019
Monetary Assets		
Bank Current Account	£ 16,198	£ 9,905
Management Account	£ 14,509	£ 30,921
Undeposited Funds	£ 148	£ 392
Reading Room Account	£ 656	£ 465
	<u>£ 31,511</u>	<u>£ 41,683</u>

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Alan Moss
A J Bookkeeping
4 Cromwell Road
Scarborough
North Yorkshire
Dated 06 January 2021

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY, SCARBOROUGH

Charity Number 1068941

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

JANUARY – DECEMBER 2020

Aims and Purposes

Christian Science Society, Scarborough as a branch of The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass has been established to promote the cause of Christian Science particularly, but not exclusively, in the region around Scarborough. This Society aims to encourage and support its members and others spiritually, morally, mentally and physically through the study and practice of Christian Science.

Christian Science Society, Scarborough has responsibility for the provision and maintenance of a space for church services[including an online service], Sunday School facility and the provision of a public Reading Room.

Objectives and Activities

The Society is committed to enabling people to learn about and practise Christian Science and to be part of both the local and worldwide community of this church. Our services and testimony meetings put faith into practice through prayer, study of the scriptures, music and the spiritual and moral education of children and young people.

When planning the activities for the year, the Trustees and Members have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We aim to enable people to discover and to live out their understanding of Christian Science in their local community through:

Worship and prayer; studying and engaging with our impersonal Pastor-the Holy Bible and the Christian Science textbook,[Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy,] and developing their knowledge of and trust in God.

Provision of spiritual and moral education for children and young people up to the age of twenty through Sunday School teaching.

Provision of outreach and public sharing which includes giving one or more free public talks on Christian Science, promotion of the daily, weekly and monthly publications of the Christian Science Publishing Society, online talks and webinars and online presence and outreach of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston USA

To facilitate this work, we provide and maintain a place for holding in person services and a Reading Room where the public may visit and find out more about Christian Science and its benefits in everyday life. We also have a website where there is up to date information and easy access to online services and talks.

Worship and Prayer

The Society offers weekly services on a Sunday. On the second and fourth Wednesday of the month there is an opportunity to take part in a Testimony Meeting, either at lunchtime or in the evening. Those attending these meetings may share personal experiences of how the study of Christian Science helps them in their daily lives.

Our services and testimony meetings are open to all.

Since March 2020, our church building has been closed in obedience to Government guidelines regarding the Covid-19 pandemic. Our services have continued online, welcoming the congregation via Zoom. Attendance has increased threefold remaining constant and including regular attenders from abroad as well as those who would normally attend in person.

This year we have not been able to hold our usual social gatherings with refreshments for example prior to public talks and our annual Thanksgiving Service.

Reading Room

Our Reading Room continues to be one of our primary outreach activities which is usually open for 10 hours a week on three different days.

Since the end of March, it has been closed to the public in line with Government requirements. However, literature and study materials have been sent by post to subscribers or available online.

A new daylight display screen was purchased and placed in the window enabling us to display timely messages about Christian Science activities to the public.

We also have a website giving times of services, notices of upcoming events etc

And we have a Facebook page.

The closure of the church and reading room gave us an opportunity to redesign, renovate and redecorate our church building. This has successfully and beautifully been accomplished in readiness for in person services and visitors to the Reading Room in 2021

Meetings

Since the beginning of lockdown in March we have held all business meetings and services online via Zoom. Board meetings have been held in most months and Members' meetings have followed the usual bi-monthly schedule although some additional meetings have been held to help with the refurbishment project and the redrafting of the Bye-laws.

Public Talks

In June the Society sponsored a public talk on Christian Science entitled Angry No More— it was a webinar held online. This was live streamed to over three hundred people and widely attended via the Internet. A recording of this talk was available for several months. This has shown us how valuable sharing Christian Science ideas online can be and that there is a need for those ideas to be represented there.

Reviews during the year

Health and Safety Policy was reviewed in January. Later on in the year some additional work was done in order to incorporate adherence to Covid -19 guidelines.

A Financial Reserves Policy was developed and adopted in January

The Safeguarding Policy reviewed and updated to acknowledge the new name of the organisation that we have used to guide our policy and training.

Safeguarding Officer was re-appointed

Three members completed online safeguarding courses.

The Data Privacy Policy and notices were reviewed and minor amendments agreed and implemented.

DBS – There is an ongoing program for all members whose role warrants it to be DBS checked. All the current Trustees had checks carried out this year through the Hawthorne Trust.

Our Bye Laws were reviewed, edited, or rewritten, amendments made, discussed thoroughly before being accepted and adopted. This project was made very relevant by our online provision of church services and interest from new attendees. The revision of the Byelaws, once adopted, has enabled us to make it possible for those not living in our geographical area to become members if they wish to do so.

Financial Review

Included with this report. It is pleasing to note that contributions have continued to come in and that through grants received, we have been able to undertake a refurbishment project whilst the church building has been closed owing to Covid-19 guidelines.

Volunteers

We are grateful as always for the committed work of all volunteers and officers of the Society. This year we are particularly grateful for those with online technical expertise.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment to the Executive Board and the election or appointment of church officers is set out in our Society Bye-Laws. The Executive board met monthly and there were regular Members Meetings.

The Bye Laws were reviewed, edited, or rewritten, amendments made, discussed thoroughly before being accepted and adopted by the members.

We provide and maintain the church building which includes our public Reading Room and Sunday School.

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Date: *17/3/21*