

Annual Report

The King's Church Prestwood.
2021-2022

Annual Report of the Trustees of The King's Church, Prestwood, for the Period from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022

Charity Name. The King's Church, Prestwood

Charity Registered Number; 1069399.

Objectives and activities

The Kings Church Prestwood in accordance with our governing document and doctrinal statement is committed to the advancement of the Christian Faith, and to demonstrating the love of Christ to others in practical ways, through living out our faith in the local community. The church is also committed to supporting the local community through outreach, care and community activities based on our Christian principles.

Our main activities include Sunday worship service which is open to all. People are encouraged to grow in their Christian faith through worship, prayer, teaching, sharing testimony and through exercising ministries. Special services are planned throughout the year such as less formal services which include inviting others and sharing a meal, and joint services with other local churches.

As part of our services, there is all age worship followed by a separate children's work, currently covering ages 6 to 13. Activities include bible based learning, having fun and enjoying being creative. All volunteers working with children follow the church's Safeguarding Policy. We take our responsibilities in this respect very seriously, and have a coordinator who ensures that DBS checks are kept up to date.

There are midweek meetings in a range of settings (including zoom) for worship, prayer, bible study, learning, activities, and fellowship. We meet together as a church mid-week for worship and prayer, where we pray for the church, the local community and wider national and international issues.

We run/support a range of activities in the local area, aimed at living lives of faith as part of the local community and demonstrating the love of Christ to others in practical ways. This includes activities such as a weekly after school club, services in a local nursing home, volunteer driver scheme, editing and delivering a local community newspaper, and a monthly folk club and other music events. Many people in the church also demonstrate God's love and care to others by volunteering with other charities and community groups.

As part of the local community in Prestwood, we aim to help people learn about the gospel and develop people's knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus Christ, and support people in the local community who need pastoral care.

We also aim to support Mission and outreach work both in the local area and through the Catalyst network of churches.

Partnerships with others

We are committed to working in partnership with other churches and organisations in the Prestwood and surrounding areas, so we can support the spiritual wellbeing of our community,

and live out our faith by serving others.

The Church is part of Newfrontiers, which is a family of around 1,000 churches in over 80 different nations

We are part of Catalyst - within Newfrontiers, which is a network of churches aiming to make disciples in the nations of the world

We are Associate members of the Evangelical Alliance, the umbrella body representing the UK's two million evangelical Christians

We support Lighthouse Great Missenden – a holiday week for children and young people in Great Missenden and the surrounding area that takes place in the summer holidays

Achievements

Sunday services returned to in person services from 1st August 2021, including worship, teaching, testimony, prayer and children's activities. We continue to operate a live link to services via zoom for those who are unable to attend, which is published in the local newspaper and on our website to ensure services are open to the public.

An 8 week midweek wellbeing course for the community started online in May to support people as we emerged from the impact of Covid restrictions. This was followed by an in person midweek Kintsugi Hope course which aimed to support people's health and wellbeing. The mid-week small group continues to run weekly with an emphasis on growing in spiritual maturity.

We have continued to meet to pray with one another, and weekly as a church via zoom, to pray for people in need, for the church, and local, national and international issues. We have seen answers to prayer and grown in faith as we have prayed together during these difficult times.

We have continued to edit and deliver the free local newspaper to over 5,000 homes and business in HP16, supported entirely by volunteers. This has provided a valued source of local information and a positive way to keep the community connected during this year.

Activities for young people restarted in September including the youth café and provision of an after schools club for approximately 24 children age 11 – 16 years, as well as input to school assemblies.

The Wick Trimmers Folk band continues to run a local Folk club and support other local events, which brings together local musicians, and provides accessible high quality live music for our community. After a few outdoor music events in August 2020, live music events reopened in July 2021 with 6 Folk Club evenings between July and March 2022 and a number of other events, including supporting a charity garden party.

In October 2021 we celebrated our 25 year anniversary by holding a dinner for the church and community partners and a special anniversary Sunday service. This has given us an opportunity to celebrate Gods faithfulness over the past years, not least during this recent most challenging year. As we look forward, it's not about getting back to where we were, but moving forward as God leads us into the next chapter of our Church's story.

We have continued to support the Catalyst Group with other New Frontiers Churches, supporting Catalyst Leaders events, participation in the local churches “hub”, and supporting international mission priorities.

Covid

This year has been a year of 2 halves. During the first 5 months of the year, we continued to operate activities on line with live service and meetings via Zoom. Planning continued via a weekly meeting to ensure that we operated safely as COVID restrictions were lifted, and that COVID risk assessments were conducted as face to face programs restarted. Since August 2021 we have returned to meeting together in person, and continue to offer a live link to our public services and prayer meeting so we can be flexible and responsive to the needs of those in our church and community who may be vulnerable. Our face to face community activities restarted in August/ September.

During 2021 – 22 Trustees & Elders and FLAG meetings were held both in person and via virtual platform. We have assessed that our Trust Deed gives permission to continue to hold such meetings virtually after the charity commissions more flexible approach to meeting arrangements changes from April 2022.

Structure and governance

The Kings Church Prestwood is an Unincorporated Charity governed by a Trust Deed which was Adopted on 5th April 1996. Trustees are appointed as described in the Declaration of Trust which is by recommendation and by the existing Trustees. During the year, the number of trustees increased from 3 to 4, including one resignation due to leaving the area, and 2 newly appointed trustees. The current trustees are:

Alison Brackett – Trustee appointed from 27.09.2021
Richard Kendell – Trustee appointed from 27.09.2021
Chris Shepherd – (Chair of trustees) appointed from 01.12.18
Joan Veysey - Trustee appointed from 01.12.18

Jan Lephard – appointed from 01.12.18 resigned 28.02.2021

The charity is a Christian church seeking to extend the kingdom of God and demonstrate the love of Christ in our community. The church employs a lead elder with specific responsibility for the spiritual leadership of the church. All other roles are carried out by unpaid volunteers.

The leadership of the church comprises of trustees, elders and functional leads. The Trustees and elders are responsible for ensuring that the vision and mission statement of the Kings Church Prestwood are upheld, and that our aims are translated into activities which advance the Christian Faith, and demonstrate the love of Christ to others in practical ways. The trustees and elders meet together regularly focusing on strategy, planning governance and finance. The Functional Leads Group (FLAG), comprises of those who are responsible for key areas of the church including Safeguarding. The role of FLAG is to support the planning, implementation and monitoring of all our programs and activities, and FLAG meetings are also attended by trustees and elders.

Financial Review

The principal source of income has been the regular giving of members, which provides for the Lead Elder's salary, and accommodation for meetings and activities. Last year total income for the year was £42,587 and expenditure £36,095. Therefore a surplus was reported for 2021/22.

Finances are monitored at all trustees and elders meetings, with quarterly written reports to both FLAG and trustees & elders meetings. Operating costs and expenditure plans were reviewed regularly in 21/22 to assess the impact of COVID, and enable any adjustments or other action to be taken.

KCP currently holds reserves for the purpose of covering essential running costs in the event of a fluctuation in income or expenditure. The trustees reviewed the Reserves Policy in 2022 in line with the Charity Governance Code on reserves.

Administrative information

The Kings Church is situated in Prestwood and is a part of the NewFrontiers family of churches.

The correspondence address of the church is c/o:
6 Chequers Lane, Prestwood, Great Missenden, Bucks HP16 9DW

The Registered Charity number is 1069399

The Church does not own or lease any property, so has the advantage of being highly mobile and is therefore able to meet in a range of community settings. Sunday services are typically held in the local Village Hall in Prestwood and are open to all. Other meetings, and activities are held in settings such as local homes, community buildings or sports and leisure facilities.

The Church has insurances with the Baptist Insurance Company

For the period of this return, there were no serious incidents that were not reported

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Signature Full name Chris A Shepherd



Position Chair of Trustees

THE KING'S CHURCH (PRESTWOOD)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE 12 MONTHS TO 31 MARCH 2022

INCOME

	2021/2022			2020/2021		
	£ General	£ Restricted	£ Total	£ General	£ Restricted	£ Total
Tithes and Offerings:						
Cash	804	-	804	-	-	-
Cheque	800	-	800	90	-	90
Standing Orders	30,870	-	30,870	30,487	-	30,487
Bank transfer excluding HMRC	-	-	-	-	-	-
total	32,474	-	32,474	30,577	-	30,577
Reclaimed Tax via Gift Aid	7,155	-	7,155	7,959	-	7,959
Bank Interest	5	-	5	28	-	28
Church events (WT)	2,953	-	2,953	100	-	100
Gift day	-	-	-	895	-	895
Other Income	-	-	-	150	-	150
Lighthouse	-	-	-	-	-	-
OWA - One World Aid	-	-	-	-	-	-
ROPE	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME	42,587	-	42,587	39,709	-	39,709

EXPENDITURE

	£	£	£	£	£	£
OWA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mission: Hardship	-	69	69	-	-	-
ROPE	-	-	-	-	432	432
wicktrimmers	-	-	-	-	360	360
Lighthouse	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	69	69	-	792	792
Staff Costs	27,888	-	27,888	29,823	-	29,823
Hall hire	1,783	-	1,783	216	-	216
Events (WT)	1,587	-	1,587	200	-	200
Events other	1,690	-	1,690	0	-	-
Administration	619	-	619	1,429	-	1,429
Copyright Licence	127	-	127	122	-	122
Equipment	438	-	438	-	-	-
New Frontiers - Catalyst	300	-	300	300	-	300
Love gifts	50	-	50	56	-	56
Mission	55	-	55	900	-	900
Pastoral	63	-	63	344	-	344
Professional Fees and Insurance	629	-	629	579	-	579
Refreshments	63	-	63	15	-	15
Subscriptions	312	-	312	229	-	229
Advertising and web	359	-	359	342	-	342
Training	64	-	64	100	-	100
	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	36,026	69.00	36,095	34,655	792	35,447
NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME FOR THE YEAR	6,560	(69)	6,491	5,055	(792)	4,263
TOTAL CASH AT BANK (Community and Saver Accounts)						
Brought forward from previous year	52,649	738	53,387	47,594	1,530	49,124
Carried forward to next year	59,209	669	59,878	52,649	738	53,387

THE KING'S CHURCH (PRESTWOOD)

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH 2021

	2021/2022		2020/2021	
	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS - Church and office equipment		1,694		1,297
DEBTOR				
Reclaimed tax due from inland revenue	8,787		7,155	
	<u>8,787</u>		<u>7,155</u>	
CASH AT BANK				
Community Account	14,704		8,217	
Saver Account	45,174		45,169	
	<u>59,878</u>		<u>53,387</u>	
LIABILITIES				
March Salary	-		-	
PVH March	-		-	
HMRC	-		-	
Professional Fees & Insurance	-		-	
administration/printing	-		-	
	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		68,665		60,542
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>70,359</u>		<u>61,839</u>
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS - Church general funds		69,690		61,101
RESTRICTED FUNDS		669		738
		<u>70,359</u>		<u>61,839</u>

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

C. A. Shepherd

Chris Shepherd
Chair of Trustees

RESTRICTED FUNDS	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Carried forward £		Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Carried forward £
Rope		0	0	0	0	360	0	360	0
OWA		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hardship		69	0	69	0	501	0	432	69
Lighthouse		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wicktrimmers reimbursements		669	0	0	669	669	0	0	669
		<u>738</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>669</u>	<u>1530</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>738</u>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

THE KING'S CHURCH PRESTWOOD

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1069399

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

23/05/2022

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Miss Deona Fisher

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