

HOPE CHURCH ROTHERHAM
Registered charity : 1069689
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2021

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HOPE CHURCH ROTHERHAM

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity registration number 1069689

Registered office

Hope Centre
Grove Road
Rotherham
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S60 2ER

Members of the Church Council

Hannah Lambert	Chair
Barry Eastwood	
Andrew Harris	
John Bradwell	
Paul Cunningham	
Paul Morris	
Peter Shaw	

Appointed officers

Secretary	Unfilled
Treasurer	Matthew Key

Bank

Yorkshire Bank
1 Frederick Street
Rotherham
S60 1QP

Reporting accountants

Walters Hawson Limited
Norham House
Moutenoy Road
Rotherham
S60 2AJ

Solicitors

Geldards
Dumfries House
Dumfries Place
Cardiff
CF10 3ZF

Trustees Annual Report of Hope Church Rotherham

(Registered Charity Number 1069689)

April 2020 to March 2021

1. Introduction and background

Hope Church Rotherham (hereafter referred to as the Church) is affiliated to the British Assemblies of God (AoG), and is constituted as a trust using the model deed negotiated centrally by the AoG for its churches. That was adopted on 16th January 2007, and recognises the greater role of the Church in social action. The Senior Pastor is Paul Morris. The church owns and occupies Hope Centre, principally as its place of open worship. Hope Centre is formally recorded at the General Register Office as a place for public religious worship.

2. The Church Council are the trustees:

Barry Eastwood
Andrew Harris
John Bradwell
Hannah Lambert (Chair) Appointed 15th June 2020
Paul Cunningham
Paul Morris
Peter Shaw

The Treasurer is Matthew Key.

The Church is organised under the Senior Pastor Paul Morris along with the team of Elders.

3. Bank, Solicitors, Accountants

The Church's main bankers are:

Yorkshire Bank, 1 Frederick Street, Rotherham, S60 1QP

The Church's solicitors are:

Geldards, Dumfries House, Dumfries Place, Cardiff, CF10 3ZF

The Church's accountants are:

Walters Hawson Ltd Chartered Accountants, Norham House, Mountenoy Road, Moorgate, Rotherham, S60 2AJ

4. The objects of the Church

The charitable objects of the Church are:

(i) To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statements of fundamental truths of the AOG in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the church council from time to time may think fit.

(ii) To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such part of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time think fit.

(iii) Advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time may think fit.

5. Church activities in furtherance of the above charitable objects for the public benefit

We intend that all our activities aims are in line with God's will for His Church according to the scriptures, which includes loving all people, introducing them to Jesus Christ, and equipping them to have a beneficially transforming impact in their communities and beyond. We are most thankful to all the many people who have supported Hope Church and its projects in a voluntary or financial capacity. The value of the voluntary work is at the same time incalculable and invaluable. Various projects and programmes run throughout the week at Hope Church including the following...

- 2x Sunday morning family services (worship and teaching)
- Hope Kids'- Sunday morning junior church
- Connect Groups: to develop community and leadership, and for Fellowship and Bible studies
- Lifestyle evangelism, prayer, healing etc.
- Alpha & Discipleship Courses for enquirers and new Christians
- Amplify Youth Club, weekly events and activities
- Home visits to families in the local area
- Rotherham Foodbank
- Operating from the UK Office within Hope Centre, a global missions operation known as 'Back to Jerusalem UK'.
- Supporting missionary work in Macedonia, Ethiopia – 'Compassion, Kenya & Pakistan 'One by One', Zimbabwe, Teen Challenge UK & AoG Missionaries
- Street Pastors
- World Changers – Seniors project

- Men's football and breakfasts
- Women's events
- Hope for you – Community outreach
- Hospital Chaplaincy Support
- Schools work – Specifically working with two local schools undertaking assemblies and RE

COVID – 19

It has been a very challenging year for the charity during the pandemic. However, we are pleased to report an overall increase in budgeted income. This has been particularly due to the generous financial donations given to Rotherham Foodbank from members of the public along with local and national businesses, for which we are extremely grateful. We have successfully continued to provide our church members with services online when it has not been possible to meet physically. Midweek week activities have taken place by Zoom. Pastoral support has been provided in various forms including; door stop visits and online and telephone support and finally the return to in-person covid compliant services when permitted.

6. Church membership, community influence and the public benefit in setting our objects and planning our activities

Our trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. From Hope Centre, the church and our projects are better able to benefit the whole public of Rotherham. We are happy that we more than meet the public benefit requirements. The average weekly attendance on Sundays has increased to from 140 to 170 adults & children and the number of people in church membership for the period covered was 113 adults.

Amplify Youth Group is a group for teenagers connected to the church, which meets every Friday evening from 7:30pm to 9:00pm for fun, games, quizzes as well as attending concerts. Between 10-15 youth are in regular attendance.

Hope Church runs its Rotherham Foodbank project at Hope Centre, supplying free food items etc. and counselling to local families suffering financial hardship at times of crisis. There is an ever-increasing demand for this service. The Foodbank is monitored by the Trussell Trust, and participates in meetings of the 'Food for People in Crisis' Network in Rotherham. Since the Covid-19 pandemic service users could access this service via delivery only. All risk assessments and working methods were carried out in compliance with the government and charity guidance.

World Changers is a programme engaging our senior members (60+) this includes social and spiritual activities. The group meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month and have a free hot meal provided each time. Approximately 25-30 people attend on a regular basis. This activity is open to church and non-church members. This programme was temporarily suspended during the period due to Covid-19. All members were cared for via door step visits and regular telephone calls.

7. Local Partnerships

The Church is a member of Churches Together in Rotherham and takes part in area-wide events such as town centre celebrations, area committees, united prayer meetings and special events. The Church is also a part of a local ministers' network hub for Assemblies of God, meeting monthly for hub meetings. There is also a Rotherham wide minister's interdenominational breakfast once per month that our pastor also attends. These once again have been ad-hoc due to Covid-19 and some meetings have taken place via Zoom.

The church has also been adopted as an official partner with two local schools to support their RE curriculums. One of our church elders has been appointed to the school governing board.

8. Finance

The Church's financial records are updated on a regular basis. All the normal secure counting and banking procedures are followed. We have several bank accounts at two banks. Each account relates to a particular purpose.

Over this last year we have reviewed our financial policies and developed new policies and controls to mitigate any areas of risk.

In accordance with the governing SORP a Statement of Financial Activity has been produced. Also tangible assets are recorded in a Balance Sheet and depreciated where appropriate on a straight-line basis over 3 years.

Our reserves policy is to have a sum set aside that will cover three months payments of salary, mortgage, utilities and insurance. We are pleased to report that this has now been achieved and £29,700 is currently in reserve for this purpose which is above and beyond the required amount.

8a.Trustee Remuneration

None of the Trustees received any remuneration pertaining their roles as trustees. Details of other remuneration paid to Paul Morris as Senior Pastor and as permitted by the charity constitution are given in the notes to the accounts.

8b. Average Number of full-time employee equivalents in the year

This remains at one full time and four part-time; these include the Senior Pastor, Community Pastor, Finance Manager, Foodbank administrator and Back to Jerusalem UK office Manager. All are based at Hope Church.

9. Risk management

The trustees recognise the need for effective management of the key risks faced by the charity. The types of risks the charity faces are periodically identified reviewed and prioritised in terms of potential impact and likelihood of occurrence.

The appropriateness and adequacy of internal controls and identification of any further actions required to mitigate key risks identified are also part of the overall risk management process.

Hannah Lambert – Chair

13 September 2021

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing an annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Church deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



Hannah Lambert

Date: 13 September 2021

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Hope Church Rotherham

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 9 to 18.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

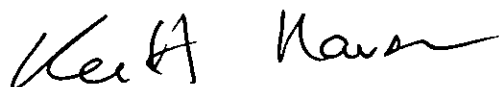
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Keith Dennis Hawson FCA
Walters Hawson Limited
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
Norham House
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Rotherham S60 2AJ

Date 7/10/2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income:					
Income from donations and legacies	2	126,222	116,698	242,920	184,879
Income from charitable activities	2			-	-
				-	-
Total income		126,222	116,698	242,920	184,879
Expenditure:					
Charitable activities	4	97,417	61,803	159,220	166,544
Total expenditure		97,417	61,803	159,220	166,544
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		28,805	54,895	83,700	18,335
Transfers between funds	10a	400	(400)	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds		29,205	54,495	83,700	18,335
Fund balances at 1 April 2020	10	65,312	34,546	99,858	81,523
Fund balances at 31 March 2021	10	94,517	89,041	183,558	99,858

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All results are from continuing activities.

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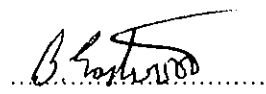
BALANCE SHEET

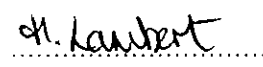
AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	6		133,407		138,358
Current assets					
Debtors		-		309	
Cash at bank and in hand		128,272		43,345	
Total current assets		<u>128,272</u>		<u>43,654</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>3,055</u>		<u>5,268</u>	
Net current assets			<u>125,217</u>		<u>38,386</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>258,625</u>		<u>176,744</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	8		75,067		76,885
Net assets			<u><u>183,558</u></u>		<u><u>99,858</u></u>
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	10		94,517		65,312
Restricted funds	10		89,041		34,546
Total funds			<u><u>183,558</u></u>		<u><u>99,858</u></u>

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102)), and applicable law including the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 13 September 2021 and are signed on its behalf by:


Barry Eastwood


Hannah Lambert

Trustees

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting Policies

General information and basis of preparation

Hope Church Rotherham (hereafter referred to as the Church) is affiliated to the British Assemblies of God (AoG), and is constituted as a Trust using the model deed negotiated centrally by the AoG for its churches. It is a registered charity (Registered Charity Number 1069689).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and with the Charities Act 2011. Hope Church Rotherham meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The charity has applied Update Bulletin 1 as published on 2 February 2016 and does not include a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is applying FRS 102 Section 1A.

Incoming resources

Incoming resources are recognised in the period in which the Charity is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is deferred only when the Charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it.

Resources expended

Resources expended are included on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity and include the reporting accountants fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity.

Support costs are those costs not directly allocated to an activity of the Charity but support those activities.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, support costs are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

Donated goods - Foodbank

The costs involved in undertaking the valuation of donated stock outweighs the benefit to users of the accounts and to the charity of having this financial information. No value is ascribed to these goods in incoming and outgoing resources.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting Policies - continued

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds represent those monies which are freely available for application towards any purpose which falls within the Charity's remit.

Restricted are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the terms of a specific appeal.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Capital expenditure has been capitalised and depreciated over the asset's useful life.

Depreciation rates are applied to write down the assets to estimated residual values over their useful lives. The

Freehold buildings	25 years straight line
Equipment	3 - 4 years straight line

For the purposes of reporting the cost of the property has been split, by the Trustees, 50:50 between land (not depreciated) and buildings

Pension schemes

The Charity contributions to defined contribution pension schemes for its employees are charged to the income and expenditure account in the year in which they fall due. The assets of the schemes are independent of the Charity's finances.

HOPE CHURCH ROTHERHAM**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021****2 Incoming resources from charitable activities**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Church/vision	126,222		126,222	121,320
Foodbank		60,556	60,556	22,536
B2J UK		55,169	55,169	36,967
Worship/Heart & Skill		973	973	4,056
	126,222	116,698	242,920	184,879

3 Resources expended on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Church/vision	97,416		97,416	108,701
Foodbank		26,504	26,504	23,746
B2J UK		34,265	34,265	29,497
Worship/Heart & Skill		1,034	1,034	4,600
	97,416	61,803	159,219	166,544

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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

4	Resources expended on charitable activities by category	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 £	Total 2020 £
	Project expenditure	3,048	2,415	5,463	18,226
	Grants to institutions (see note 4a)	7,470	23,018	30,488	22,326
	Grants to individuals (Hope for you)	1,466	-	1,466	490
	Rent and rates	856	-	856	626
	Heat, light and power	9,442	30	9,472	9,889
	Travelling expenses	777	217	994	5,925
	Printing and stationery	418	2,195	2,613	1,423
	Telephone and computer costs	2,666	224	2,890	2,379
	Equipment hire and rental	766	258	1,024	833
	Maintenance	4,489	1,211	5,700	11,536
	General expenses	2,854	1,229	4,083	2,593
	Bank charges and interest	4,365	20	4,385	4,495
	Wages and salaries	49,292	26,964	76,256	73,400
	Professional fees	4,895	1,910	6,805	6,476
	Depreciation	4,613	2,112	6,725	5,926
		97,417	61,803	159,220	166,543

4a Grants to institutions in the year to 31 March 2021 include the following recipients

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
China Care International		23,018
E&V Puzderlievi - Macedonia	2,120	
Assemblies of God	1,300	
One by One	1,200	
The Bible Society	1,000	
Wycliffe UK	900	
Teen Challenge UK	400	
V Nakov - Macedonia	200	
Green Pastures	200	
Scripture Union	150	
	7,470	23,018

Hope for you

This is a member care facility set up to help support those who are in urgent need. Funds may be expended by the way of material goods, small monetary gifts or simply a bouquet of flowers to show them that they are loved and valued during difficult times. Requests to use funds in this way are considered on a referral basis and ultimately sanctioned by the eldership team.

5 Staff numbers

The average number of employees was 3 (2020: 3).
No employees earned in excess of £60,000.

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6 Fixed Assets

	Freehold land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2020	150,000	6,321	4,740	161,061
Additions		1,775	-	1,775
Disposals		-		-
At 31 March 2021	150,000	8,096	4,740	162,836
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2020	18,000	2,728	1,975	22,703
Disposals		-	-	-
Charge for the year	3,000	2,145	1,580	6,725
At 31 March 2021	21,000	4,874	3,555	29,429
Net book value				
At 31 March 2021	129,000	3,222	1,185	133,407
At 31 March 2020	132,000	3,593	2,765	138,358

Capital commitments at 31 March 2021 were £nil (2020 £nil).

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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	-	966
Mortgage	1,712	1,605
Other creditors	343	446
Accruals	1,000	2,250
	3,055	5,268

8 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than 1 year

Mortgage	75,067	76,885
	75,067	76,885

The mortgage is secured on the Charity's freehold land and buildings, and of the total amount due, £68,000 is repayable after more than 5 years.

9 Analysis of net assets between funds

	2021		
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fixed assets	131,823	1,584	133,407
Debtors	-	-	-
Bank and cash balances	40,815	87,457	128,272
Liabilities <1 year	(3,054)		(3,055)
Liabilities > 1 year	(75,067)		(75,067)
	94,517	89,041	183,558

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

10 Analysis of charitable funds

	Balance b/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers (note 10a) £	Fund c/fwd £
Unrestricted	65,312	126,222	(97,417)	400	94,517
Restricted					
Foodbank	12,020	60,556	(26,504)	(2,400)	43,672
B2J UK	13,933	55,169	(34,265)	2,000	36,837
Vision 2017	1	-	-		1
Worship/Heart & Skill	1,182	973	(1,034)		1,121
Vision 2018	7,410	-	-		7,410
		-	-		-
	34,546	116,698	(61,803)	(400)	89,041
Total	99,858	242,920	(159,220)	-	183,558

The Foodbank provides emergency food and support to people in crisis in Rotherham and has a vision to ensure that no-one in Rotherham has to go hungry, with a particular emphasis on tackling child poverty within the borough.

Hope Centre acts as the UK base for Back To Jerusalem. The BTJ magazine is distributed from the office.

Worship funds have been given for the sole purpose of worship training - 'Heart & Skill'.

Vision offerings are periodical offerings taken to support particular aspects of the work and vision of Hope Church. These funds were raised through the donations of the church members.

10a Transfers between funds

Regular gifts from the Church general fund to B2J UK	1,800
Administration costs recharge from Church general fund to Foodbank	(2,400)
Other administrative adjustments	200
	<u>(400)</u>

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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

11 Related party transactions

The total of all donations received from trustees in the year was £35,792 (2020: £35,252).

12 Trustee remuneration and expenses

None of the Trustees received any remuneration or expenses pertaining to their roles as trustees.

As permitted by its constitution, the Church paid remuneration and reimbursed expenses to Paul Morris in his role as Senior Pastor as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Salary	33,631	31,800
Pension contribution	1,009	954
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Expenses reimbursed	176	583
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The charity employs Emma Harris and Bethany Morris, who are related to trustees, as administration assistants for the Foodbank and BTJ UK funds. The total remuneration paid in the year was £11,071 (2020: £8,466).