

EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1074617

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1999-03-10

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

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Activities

Objects: A) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS APPEARING IN THE SCHEDULE HERETO IN EPPING FOREST DISTRICT AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT B) TO RELIEVE PERSONS WHO ARE IN CONDITIONS OF NEED OR HARDSHIP OR WHO ARE AGED OR SICK AND TO RELIEVE THE DISTRESS CAUSED THEREBY IN THE SAID LOCALITY AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT. C) TO PROMOTE AND FULFIL SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES BENEFICIAL TO THE COMMUNITY IN THE SAID LOCALITY AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT.

Activities: To advance the Christian faith ,to relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship or who are aged or sick and to relieve stress and to promote and fulfil other charitable purposes beneficial to the community in Epping Forest District and other parts of the United Kingdom or the world.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Essex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£141,343	£139,244	-	-
2023-12-31	£130,331	£144,799	-	-
2022-12-31	£133,394	£136,972	-	-
2021-12-31	£239,387	£147,195	-	-
2020-12-31	£159,516	£156,860	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christopher Russell Blackham	Chair	2025-04-06
Helen Rose Seaman		2025-01-01
Mark Edward Gladman		2025-04-06
PAUL BLACKHAM		
Professor Michael Wilfred Steward		2025-01-01
Rachel Margaret Bartels		2019-01-13

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ANNUAL REPORT for 2024

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Throughout the year the day-to-day affairs of EFCC were managed by our full-time employed Senior Church Leader, Rich Seaman and ably supported and assisted by the wider staff team and volunteer leaders.

EFCC owns, and is based out of, Grosvenor Hall, Grosvenor Drive, Loughton IG10 2LG.

SUMMARY OF THE PURPOSES OF THE CHARITY

The objects of the charity remain as:

(a) to advance the Christian faith, in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs, in the Epping Forest District and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit.

(b) to relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship or who are aged or sick and to relieve the stress caused thereby in the said locality and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit.

(c) to promote and fulfil such other charitable purposes beneficial to the community in the said locality and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit.



In summary Epping Forest Community Church exists to advance the Christian faith and serve the local community (and wider) in accordance with the objects of the charity and provides:

- A public place of worship
- Multiple activities and projects to serve the local community
- International Support to those most marginalized
- A venue for other community organisations to use

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN 2023...

Leadership & Staff

- The current leadership team was established in 2021 and 2024 was earmarked for a review. After reflection and discussion, it was agreed that the leadership team would end on 30 September. It was decided that Rich, our Senior Leader, would remain in post, continuing to work with those who had been on the Leadership team and also to work alongside others who have leadership roles within the life of the Church, with a view to see what the next season of leadership will look like.
- Our Operations Manager continued to provide general day-to-day administrative support to the leadership team as well as line management of the staff.
- Our Community Outreach Worker continued to forge wider and deeper links within our local community. They also continue to organise a committed small group of people in a weekly gathering at the local shopping parade in the Broadway, the aim of which is to be a blessing to our community by being a Godly presence, a listening ear and to share the love and hope that Jesus gives.
- Our Children & Families worker ended her employment in August 2024. As yet we do not have a replacement; her role continues to be covered by a volunteer.
- Staff and Leaders continue to meet weekly ensuring great communication.
- During the year the Leadership Team have continued to explore a relationship with Stuart Lees, from Jesus Ministry / Project 40.

Training & Teaching

- “To know Jesus – and make him known” continues to be our overarching theme, within which the Sunday teaching is planned as well as other events and activities.
- From January to April we explored the book of Romans using The Bible Society resources. Several people joined small groups in order to take advantage of the follow through discussions and continued to study together after the Romans course ended.



- In February a number of people attended a day conference focused on engaging with trauma & abuse.
- Two days were put aside in early June to train and equip the prayer team, including with a particular emphasis on freedom prayer. Training was given by an external visitor, who has experience in this area. Follow up training later in the year was in-house and continues.
- A basic First Aid life-saving skills course was offered to anyone in the church involved with children & youth or on a team leading EFCC groups. 15 people took advantage of this in July. Feedback re quality and delivery of the material was excellent.
- An event entitled 'Launch' took place in Billericay at the end of September. Several regional churches were well represented by their leaders & leadership teams.
- 12 people attended an evening session giving guidance on caring for those experiencing bereavement & grief.
- In addition there were several open invitations to the church for various online or in person teaching & training events.

Visiting speakers

- We were pleased to welcome visiting speakers from HeartCry International and Project 40, all bringing significant and welcome input into EFCC.

Events

- EFCC organised or participated in various in-house and external events including Loughton Community Fun Day, New Wine bible week, men's & women's events, Community Christmas Lunch.
- Leaders from Churches Together in Loughton (CTL) continue to meet monthly; other churches have worked with us at several outreach events, particularly the Loughton Community Day and Christmas events.
- In September we held a lunch for 'newcomers' inviting those who had joined us within the previous 12-18 months. Around 40 people (including children) attended and heard about the history & values of EFCC.

Day-to-day

- Regular meetings and small groups take place at Grosvenor Hall and in people's homes. There is also a weekly online bible study.
- The after-school club changed to a Thursday and welcomes anyone in school year 7 upwards for snacks, games and bible study.
- Weekly street community outreach continues in and around The Broadway – a local shopping parade and in December, we took part in a Churches Together in



Loughton initiative, singing carols in various locations across the town and inviting people to Christmas events.

- During the year we have again had to say goodbye to some long-term members, but fortunately have continued to welcome more new members into the church family and it is a joy to see lives being changed by faith in Jesus and celebrate many more baptisms throughout the year.

None of what took place in 2023 would have been possible without the continuing unfailing generosity of everyone who supports us in whatever way they can, be it financially, in prayer, or by sacrificially giving their time.

Once more this year we continue to be amazed by, and are so grateful for, all that has been given to us, especially in a year that has been so financially difficult for all.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Trustees were again satisfied with the financial statement provided by our wonderful Treasurer, and we thank her most sincerely for all the work that she selflessly undertook for the Trust. As referred to above, the generosity of the members of EFCC and others continues to amaze us, and we remain so thankful for the financial investment people continue to make in EFCC.

In 2024 total income was £141,343 (a little up from last year), and total expenditure was £139,244, providing a small surplus within the year. Full summary figures are contained in the following End of Year Financial Statements.

Through special collections and love offerings included within the above figures we have been able to continue to provide support for various individuals, charities and projects, both locally and abroad.

In addition to the above, during the year we also continued to tithe a consistent 10% of our income out of General Funds to various local, national and international bodies.

AND FINALLY...

In conclusion I must again reiterate that all of the above represents just a fraction of the life and work of the EFCC Family, and I count it a great privilege and honour to be a part of it. I would like to once again express a great big "THANK YOU" to everyone who has made it happen in 2024!

EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH Trust



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DATED 25th September 2025

Christopher Blackham

Chair of Trustees (appointed 06 April 2025)

For and on behalf of the Trustees of Epping Forest Community Church

Epping Forest Community Church
Receipts and Payments Account
For the period from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Planned giving	86,104	-	-	-	86,104	76,805
Collections and other giving	-	-	15,844	-	15,844	21,075
Other voluntary receipts	-	-	896	-	896	325
Gift Aid recovered	16,098	(0)	3,955	-	20,053	19,909
Other receipts	17	-	-	-	17	18
Investment Income	18,428	-	-	-	18,428	12,199
Total Receipts	120,648	(0)	20,695	-	141,343	130,331
Payments						
Missionary and Charitable Giving	11,047	70	25,518	-	36,635	37,395
Clergy and Staffing costs	83,720	-	-	-	83,720	86,937
Church Running Expenses	7,904	-	-	-	7,904	7,534
Hall Running Costs	9,451	1,584	-	-	11,035	9,498
Coach/Mnibus Costs	(50)	-	-	-	(50)	3,321
Assets	-	-	-	-	-	114
Total Payments	112,072	1,654	25,518	-	139,244	144,799
Excess of receipts over payments before transfer	8,575	(1,654)	(4,823)	-	2,098	(14,468)
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	345	345	-	-	690	232,222
Gross transfers between funds - out	(345)	(345)	-	-	(690)	(232,222)
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains	8,575	(1,654)	(4,823)	-	2,098	(14,468)
Net movement in funds	8,575	(1,654)	(4,823)	-	2,098	(14,468)
Reconciliation of funds						
Excess of receipts over payments at beginning of the year	589,675	87,018	5,368	-	682,061	696,529
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	598,250	85,364	545	-	684,159	682,061
<i>There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown</i>						



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name: EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

On accounts for the year ended

31st DECEMBER 2024 Charity no (if any): 1074617

Set out on pages

1-2 (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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did 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.

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

23/9/2025

Name:

COLIN NICHOLAS CORRIGAN

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

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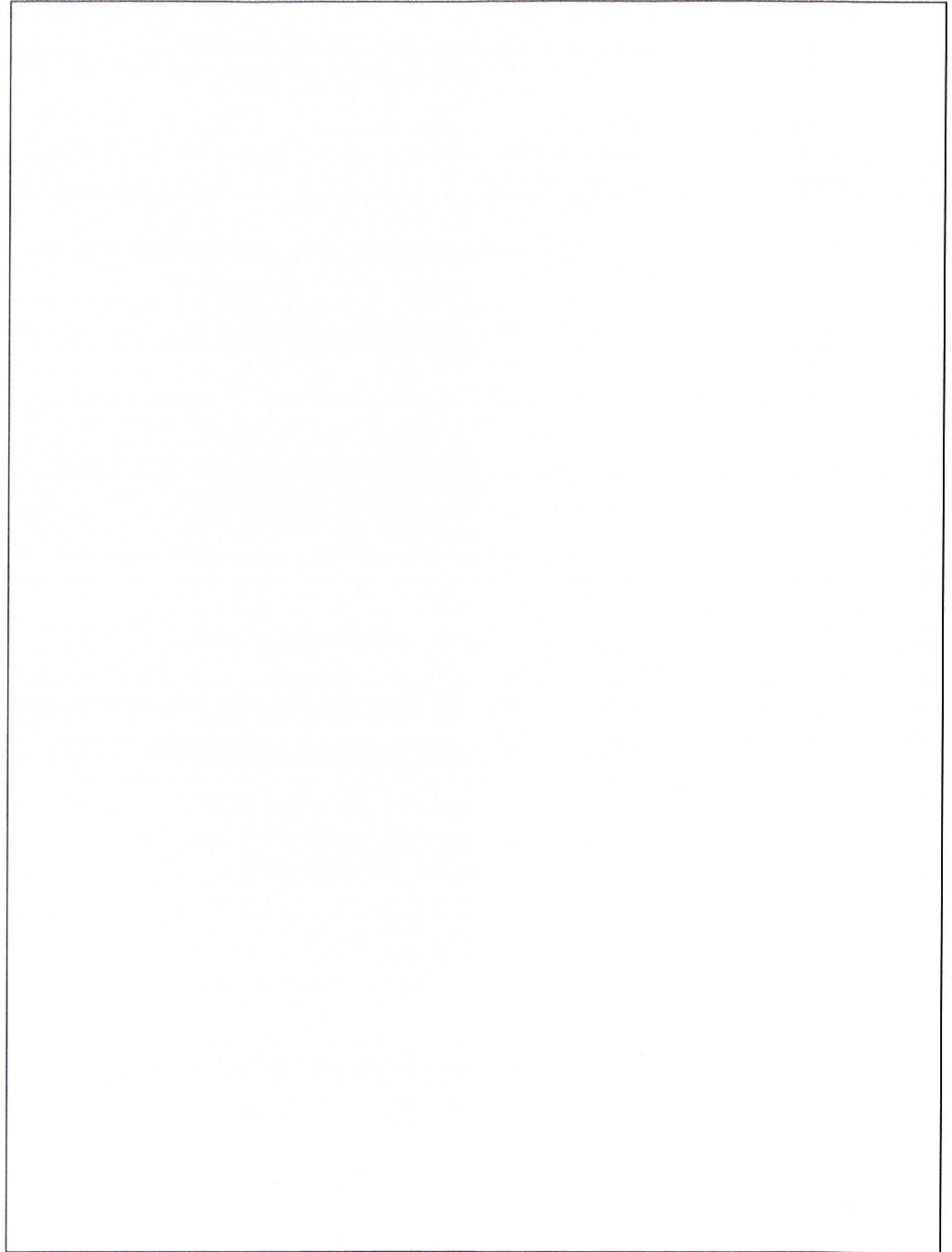
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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

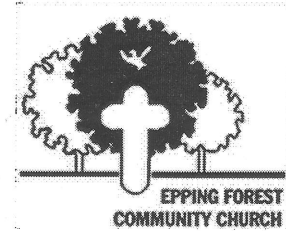
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WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN 2023....

Leadership & Staff

- Our Operations Manager continues to provide both general day to day administrative support to the leadership team as well as line management of the staff. Additionally, time has been spent writing new and updating our various procedures and policies, with one of our Trustees stepping into the role of Safeguarding Officer.
- Our Community Outreach Worker has continued to forge wider and deeper links within our local community. They also continue to organise a committed small group of people in a weekly gathering at the local shopping parade in the Broadway, the aim of which is to be a blessing to our community by being a Godly presence, a listening ear and to share the love and hope that Jesus gives.
- Our Senior Leader, Rich, became co-chair of the Churches Together in Loughton in November and continues to help ensure that the bond between the various local churches continues to deepen.
- We continued to fund the position of a Children & Families Worker from accrued surplus and they have overhauled and updated our procedures and brought much needed cohesion to our children's ministry, as well as building great relationships.
- Staff and Leaders continue to meet weekly ensuring great communication.
- During the year the Leadership Team have continued to explore a relationship with Stuart Lees, from Jesus Ministry / Project 40. Unfortunately, circumstances beyond his control, followed by health issues, prevented him from meeting with the whole church, he was however able to spend time with both our Senior Leader, and the Leadership Team as a whole.
- During the year we have been focusing on evangelism with the programme "To know Jesus – and make him known" as the basis for both much of our Sunday teaching, and as the basis for decision-making on how/why/whether we do other activities.
- Also during the year we have held a number of sessions to equip & train EFCC church members in their various roles within the church, including general safeguarding; prayer ministry & basic first aid.

Meetings

- Sunday Morning Meetings have continued to be held in Grosvenor Hall, along with Monday Prophecy and Tuesday women's group meetings. Occasional Sunday evening Worship Meetings also have continued to be held in Grosvenor Hall and, additionally, other regular meetings and small groups take place both in Grosvenor Hall and in peoples' homes throughout the week. These include a bible study group, a group for secondary school students held weekly after school, a recovery group to help those who are struggling with various issues, and an Alpha course.
- For those who are unable to attend Grosvenor Hall in person there are also mid-week regular online bible study groups.
- We were pleased to welcome visiting speakers from HeartCry International on 2 occasions, both bringing significant and welcome input into EFCC

Church Life

- During the year we have again had to say goodbye to some long-term members, but fortunately have continued to welcome more new members into the church family and it is a joy to see lives being changed by faith in Jesus and celebrate ever more baptisms throughout the year.
- Consequently, our discipling/mentoring initiatives together with training & equipping have continued through the course of the year.

Events & new initiatives

During the year we organised, or participated in, various in-house and external events including:

- How to study the Bible course.
- The annual Loughton Community Fun Day, run by Loughton Town Council, setting up & staffing a pop-up cafe and a prayer tent together with Restore church, and meeting and blessing hundreds of our local community.
- Many attended the New Wine bible week.
- We held various Men's events throughout the year including popular breakfast meetings.
- We also held various Women's events including a garden tea party, and a Christmas Wreath making craft event attended by approximately 50 local people
- In September some of our members were able to attend a national HeartCry Legacy Day in Oxford in September.
- At Christmas time approximately 100 people attended our annual family Carols by Candlelight service in Grosvenor Hall. Then, on Christmas Day itself, we provided our annual Community Christmas Day Lunch, run by a hospitality team from the church and enjoyed by up to 50 guests, most of whom may otherwise have been alone on Christmas Day.

WHO DID IT ALL IN 2023....

None of what took place in 2023 would again have been possible without the continuing unfailing generosity of everyone who supports us in whatever way they can, be it financially, in prayer, or by sacrificially giving their time. Once more this year we continue to be amazed by, and are so grateful for, all that has been given to us, especially in a year that has been so financially difficult for all.

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In 2023 total income was **£130331** (a little down upon last year), and total expenditure was **£144799**, the shortfall (a larger proportion of which being due to our considered decision to fund our Children and Families worker out of our substantial accrued surplus).

(The detailed figures are contained in the following End of Year Financial Statements.)

Through special collections and love offerings included within the above figures we have been able to continue to provide support for the following projects:-

- Fountain of Life Hospice
- Indian orphanage appeal

Additionally, from the collections received, we have been able to continue to make regular monthly payments to the following people and projects:-

- Margaret Gordon (Central Asia/Interserve)
- Emily and Drew Maust (Cameroon/Wycliffe)
- Tough Talk (UK)

And in addition to the above, during the year we have also continued to tithe a total of 10% of our income out of General Funds to various local, national and international bodies.

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DATED 15th October 2023

Paul Blackham

Chairperson

For and on behalf of the Trustees of Epping Forest Community Church

EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 31 Dec 2023

Introduction

This year

Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Planned giving	76,805	-	-	-	76,805	78,347
Collections and other giving	-	-	21,075	-	21,075	18,984
Other voluntary receipts	-	325	-	-	325	1,906
Gift Aid recovered	15,709	69	4,131	-	19,909	24,009
Other receipts	18	-	-	-	18	11
Investment Income	12,129	70	-	-	12,199	10,138
Receipts from church activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Activities for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Receipts	104,661	464	25,206	-	130,331	133,394

Payments

Cost of generating funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missionary and Charitable Giving	9,635	224	27,535	-	37,395	47,802
Clergy and Staffing costs	86,912	25	-	-	86,937	68,995
Church Running Expenses	7,434	100	-	-	7,534	6,219

Hall Running Costs	8,730	768	-	-	9,498	13,896
Coach/Minibus Costs	3,321	-	-	-	3,321	60
New Building work	-	-	-	-	-	-
Governance Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assets	114	-	-	-	114	-
Parish Share	-	-	-	-	-	-
Church Repairs & Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hall Repairs & Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
General Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Payments	116,147	1,117	27,535	-	144,799	136,973

Excess of receipts over payments before transfer	(11,485)	(653)	(2,330)	-	(14,468)	(3,578)
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Transfers:

Gross transfers between funds - in	87,015	115,792	29,415	-	232,222	345
Gross transfers between funds - out	(88,311)	(113,409)	(30,501)	-	(232,222)	(345)
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains	(12,781)	1,729	(3,416)	-	(14,468)	(3,578)
Net movement in funds	(12,781)	1,729	(3,416)	-	(14,468)	(3,578)

Reconciliation of funds

Excess of receipts over payments at beginning of the year	602,456	85,289	8,785	-	696,529	700,107
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	589,675	87,018	5,368	-	682,061	696,529

Represented by

Unrestricted

General fund	589,675	-	-	-	589,675	602,456
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Designated

Building Fund	-	10,457	-	-	10,457	9,466
Fund for Danny Thompson	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jelly Babies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jellytots	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kidz Club	-	-	-	-	-	(598)
leadershio training	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legacy Fund	-	76,491	-	-	76,491	76,421
Overseas Response Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pastoral Care Fund Internal	-	70	-	-	70	-

	Tithes	-	-	-	-	-	-
	YOUNG AT HEART	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Youth Group	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted							
	Anchor Project	-	-	-	-	-	7,075
	Antonia	-	-	-	-	-	-
	CTL	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Emily & Drew	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Fountain of Life Hospice	-	-	-	-	-	101
	Hope House	-	-	38	-	38	(35)
	Indian Orphanage	-	-	1,693	-	1,693	1,318
	M Gordon	-	-	2,502	-	2,502	327
	Pastoral Care Fund External	-	-	376	-	376	-
	Samaritans Purse	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Special Collections	-	-	0	-	0	-
	Tough Talk	-	-	760	-	760	-
	Uganda Families	-	-	-	-	-	-

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by fund)

		Balance	Previous balance
Tangible Assets			
6431: Freehold Building			
General fund	Unrestricted	500,000	500,000
		<u>500,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>
6432: Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings			
General fund	Unrestricted	15,000	15,000
		<u>15,000</u>	<u>15,000</u>
		Tangible Assets	515,000
			515,000
Cash At Bank And In Hand			
6501: NatWest current account 54005604			
Anchor Project	Restricted	-	7,075
Antonia	Restricted	-	(200)
CTL	Restricted	-	500

Hope House	Restricted	-	14,111
Fountain of Life Hospice	Restricted	-	238
Indian Orphanage	Restricted	-	490
Legacy Fund	Designated	-	76,421
M Gordon	Restricted	-	272
Emily & Drew	Restricted	-	359
Overseas Response Fund	Designated	-	(5,000)
Pastoral Care Fund External	Restricted	-	50
Samaritans Purse	Restricted	-	(25)
Special Collections	Restricted	-	557
Tough Talk	Restricted	-	25
Uganda Families	Restricted	-	(1)
General fund	Unrestricted	-	(78,575)
Youth Group	Designated	-	(2,260)
Pastoral Care Fund Internal	Designated	-	390
Fund for Danny Thompson	Designated	-	(1)
leadershio training	Designated	-	(285)
Kidz Club	Designated	-	484
YOUNG AT HEART	Designated	-	14
Building Fund	Designated	-	(15,033)
Jellytots	Designated	-	395
		-	-
6505: NatWest Business Reserve 54005787			
CTL	Restricted	-	(500)
Hope House	Restricted	-	(14,411)
Fountain of Life Hospice	Restricted	-	(75)
General fund	Unrestricted	-	15,076
Kidz Club	Designated	-	(90)
		-	-
6510: Bank current - Kidz Club			
General fund	Unrestricted	-	(599)
Kidz Club	Designated	-	599
		-	-
6515: Bank current - Youth Group			
General fund	Unrestricted	-	(2,421)
Youth Group	Designated	-	3,058

Kidz Club	Designated	-	(638)
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6520: Bank current - Jellytots			
General fund	Unrestricted	-	373
Jellytots	Designated	-	(373)
		<hr/>	-
6521: S affron Building Society			
Indian Orphanage	Restricted	490	-
Legacy Fund	Designated	1,491	-
M Gordon	Restricted	2,502	-
Pastoral Care Fund External	Restricted	376	-
Tough Talk	Restricted	760	-
General fund	Unrestricted	12,359	-
Pastoral Care Fund Internal	Designated	70	-
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		18,048	-
6522: Kingdom Bank account 03278786			
General fund	Unrestricted	31,712	50,981
Building Fund	Designated	10,457	-
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		42,169	50,981
6525: Virgin Money			
Hope House	Restricted	38	265
Fountain of Life Hospice	Restricted	-	(63)
Indian Orphanage	Restricted	1,203	827
Legacy Fund	Designated	-	(75,000)
M Gordon	Restricted	-	54
Emily & Drew	Restricted	-	(359)
Overseas Response Fund	Designated	-	5,000
Pastoral Care Fund External	Restricted	-	(30)
Samaritans Purse	Restricted	-	25
Special Collections	Restricted	0	(432)
Tough Talk	Restricted	-	(25)
Uganda Families	Restricted	-	1
General fund	Unrestricted	1,345	70,339
Youth Group	Designated	-	(0)
Pastoral Care Fund Internal	Designated	-	445
Fund for Danny Thompson	Designated	-	1

leadershio training	Designated	-	345
YOUNG AT HEART	Designated	-	(0)
Building Fund	Designated	-	25,000
Jellytots	Designated	-	(1)
		<u>2,585</u>	<u>26,393</u>

6590: Petty Cash

Antonia	Restricted	-	200
Pastoral Care Fund External	Restricted	-	(20)
Special Collections	Restricted	-	(125)
General fund	Unrestricted	104	2,285
Youth Group	Designated	-	(798)
Pastoral Care Fund Internal	Designated	-	(835)
leadershio training	Designated	-	(60)
Kidz Club	Designated	-	(953)
YOUNG AT HEART	Designated	-	(13)
Building Fund	Designated	-	419
		<u>104</u>	<u>100</u>

6595: Cash - Jellytots

General fund	Unrestricted	-	21
Jellytots	Designated	-	(21)
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Cash At Bank And In Hand 62,906 77,474

Debtors

6599: Loan given

General fund	Unrestricted	200	100
		<u>200</u>	<u>100</u>
		Debtors	200 100

Investments

6506: Charity Bank fixed term bond

Legacy Fund	Designated	75,000	-
		<u>75,000</u>	<u>-</u>

6523: Mission Housing Equity Loan

General fund	Unrestricted	30,000	30,000
		<u>30,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>

6524: Cambridge and Counties Fixed rate Bond a

Legacy Fund	Designated	-	75,000
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			-	75,000
		Investments	105,000	105,000
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year				
Z04: Accounts Payable				
General fund	Unrestricted		-	(920)
Building Fund	Designated		-	920
			-	-
Z06: CTL balance				
General fund	Unrestricted		1,045	1,045
			1,045	1,045
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year			1,045	1,045
Grand Total			682,061	696,529

Analysis of income and expenditure

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
RECEIPTS						
Planned giving						
0001 - General Donations - imported from DC	76,755	-	-	-	76,755	78,347
0210 - General giving - sundry	50	-	-	-	50	-
Planned giving Totals	76,805	-	-	-	76,805	78,347
Collections and other giving						
0401 - Collection - ISF - M Gordon	-	-	8,638	-	8,638	4,484
0430 - Collection - Wycliffe - D Maust	-	-	5,173	-	5,173	5,402
0445 - Collection- Indian Orphanage	-	-	3,564	-	3,564	3,789
0460 - Collection - Tough Talk	-	-	1,910	-	1,910	1,460
0465 - Collections - Special	-	-	-	-	-	2,768
0480 - Fountain of Life - Hospice	-	-	-	-	-	300
0485 - Collection - Samaritan's Purse	-	-	-	-	-	300
0490 - Collection for Hope House	-	-	1,790	-	1,790	1,480
0491 - Collection for Anchor project	-	-	-	-	-	(1,000)
Collections and other giving Totals	-	-	21,075	-	21,075	18,984

Other voluntary receipts

0700 - Pastoral Care Fund - External	-	-	-	-	-	292
0701 - Pastoral Care Fund - Internal	-	325	-	-	325	1,614
Other voluntary receipts Totals	-	325	-	-	325	1,906

Gift Aid recovered

0601 - Tax recovered on Gift Aid	15,709	69	4,131	-	19,909	24,009
Gift Aid recovered Totals	15,709	69	4,131	-	19,909	24,009

Other receipts

1003 - cash advance	18	-	-	-	18	11
Other receipts Totals	18	-	-	-	18	11

Investment Income

1001 - Gross Interest	2,548	70	-	-	2,618	336
1030 - Income from Hall Bookings	9,581	-	-	-	9,581	9,802
Investment Income Totals	12,129	70	-	-	12,199	10,138
Receipts Grand totals	104,661	464	25,206	-	130,331	133,394

PAYMENTS**Missionary and Charitable Giving**

1801 - Gift - ISF - M Gordon	-	-	7,662	-	7,662	5,246
1802 - Gift for Hope House	-	-	2,163	-	2,163	1,840
1803 - Gift for Anchor project	-	-	4,113	-	4,113	-
1810 - Gift - Tough Talk	-	-	2,100	-	2,100	1,650
1815 - Gift - Wycliffe - D Maust	-	-	6,445	-	6,445	6,720
1825 - Samaritan's Purse	-	-	-	-	-	500
1831 - Special Collections	-	-	-	-	-	3,430
1841 - Tithe	8,371	-	-	-	8,371	18,457
1842 - Fountain of Life - Hospice	-	-	101	-	101	438
1843 - Gift- Indian Orphanage	-	-	4,953	-	4,953	4,324
1845 - Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund - Internal	297	224	-	-	521	3,196
1846 - Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund - External	388	-	-	-	388	1,214
1849 - Outreach Debden	373	-	-	-	373	579
1865 - Children's work (special events)	165	-	-	-	165	72
1889 - Afterschool club	41	-	-	-	41	137
Missionary and Charitable Giving Totals	9,635	224	27,535	-	37,395	47,802

Clergy and Staffing costs

2049 - Salaries - Outreach	20,778	-	-	-	20,778	-
2050 - Salaries - Leaders	34,843	-	-	-	34,843	53,824
2051 - Employer's Nat Ins	469	-	-	-	469	1,266
2056 - Salaries - Children & Families Worker	11,763	-	-	-	11,763	2,176
2060 - Salaries - Office Manager	4,944	-	-	-	4,944	7,539
2061 - Office staff	3,674	-	-	-	3,674	-
2062 - Cleaning Staff	5,242	-	-	-	5,242	-
2070 - Staff Pensions	4,767	-	-	-	4,767	3,883
2080 - Permanent Health Insurance	433	-	-	-	433	406
2090 - Training and development	-	25	-	-	25	(100)
Clergy and Staffing costs Totals	86,912	25	-	-	86,937	68,995

Church Running Expenses

1828 - Thankyou gift	62	-	-	-	62	344
1860 - Speakers	600	-	-	-	600	204
1870 - Alpha	-	-	-	-	-	247
1871 - Children's work(Sunday)	869	-	-	-	869	486
1877 - Events	852	-	-	-	852	1,969
1878 - Young at Heart	-	-	-	-	-	0
1882 - Youth Group Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	0
1885 - Church holiday - Nat Supernat/New Wine	558	100	-	-	658	-
1900 - Jellytots - Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	1
2310 - Telephone and Broadband	1,056	-	-	-	1,056	933
2360 - Office Supplies	616	-	-	-	616	185
2361 - Photocopier Costs	340	-	-	-	340	37
2366 - Web Site	163	-	-	-	163	179
2370 - Advertising & publicity	-	-	-	-	-	329
2380 - Subscriptions & licences	439	-	-	-	439	404
2441 - Equipment repairs & maintenance	650	-	-	-	650	-
2442 - Accounts software	50	-	-	-	50	-
2443 - PA/AV sundry equipment & repairs	40	-	-	-	40	53
2581 - Refreshments & Kitchen Supplies	1,008	-	-	-	1,008	758
2582 - Christian Resources	132	-	-	-	132	33

2703 - Bank charges and interest	-	-	-	-	-	57
Church Running Expenses Totals	7,434	100	-	-	7,534	6,219
Hall Running Costs						
2301 - Hall Insurance	1,585	-	-	-	1,585	1,772
2331 - Cleaning Supplies	1,225	-	-	-	1,225	6,036
2332 - Covid 19 exp	-	-	-	-	-	8
2340 - Caretaker	-	-	-	-	-	40
2399 - Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	37
2401 - Electricity	1,555	-	-	-	1,555	1,565
2410 - Gas	2,523	-	-	-	2,523	3,572
2420 - Water	363	-	-	-	363	312
2440 - Hall Maintenance & Repairs	1,479	768	-	-	2,247	554
Hall Running Costs Totals	8,730	768	-	-	9,498	13,896
Coach/Minibus Costs						
2397 - Minibus Expenses	3,321	-	-	-	3,321	60
Coach/Minibus Costs Totals	3,321	-	-	-	3,321	60
Assets						
2920 - Office Equipment	114	-	-	-	114	-
Assets Totals	114	-	-	-	114	-
Payments Grand totals	116,147	1,117	27,535	-	144,799	136,973



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name: EPPINA FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

On accounts for the year ended

31st DECEMBER 2023 Charity no (if any) 1074617

Set out on pages

1-2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023

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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did 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.

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

Signed: [Signature] Date: 25/7/2024

Name: COLIN NICHOLAS CORRIGAN

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

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Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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

EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1074617

Accounts

ANNUAL REPORT for 2022



GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Epping Forest Community Church (EFCC) Trust was constituted by Deed of Trust on 5th January 1999 and is a registered charity No 1074617.

The Charity Trustees during the year to 31 December 2021 were as follows:

- Paul Blackham - Chairperson (elected 23.10.18)
- Gill Harryman - Treasurer (elected 27.08.18)
- Rachel Bartels (elected 13.01.19)

Janice Westwood retired as a Trustee on 31.01.22 and was warmly thanked for her service.

The Deed of Trust allows that any person over the age of 18 meeting the Trust's and the Charity Commissioners criteria is eligible to stand as a Trustee of EFCC. A new Trustee may be appointed by a resolution of the Trustees passed at a meeting of the Trustees at which there is the majority of the Trustees present. There must be a minimum of three Trustees at any one time with no maximum set.

Throughout the year the day-to-day affairs of EFCC were managed by our full-time employed Senior Church Leader, Rich Seaman and ably supported and assisted by the five-strong remaining voluntary Leadership Team.

EFCC owns, and is based out of, Grosvenor Hall, Grosvenor Drive, Loughton IG10 2LG.

SUMMARY OF THE PURPOSES OF THE CHARITY

The objects of the charity remain as:

- (a) to advance the Christian faith, in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs, in the Epping Forest District and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit
- (b) to relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship or who are aged or sick and to relieve the stress caused thereby in the said locality and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit
- (c) to promote and fulfil such other charitable purposes beneficial to the community in the said locality and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit.

In summary Epping Forest Community Church exists to advance the Christian faith and serve the local community (and wider) in accordance with the objects of the charity and provides:

- A public place of worship
- Multiple activities and projects to serve the local community
- International Support to those most marginalized
- A venue for other community organisations to use

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN 2022....

Leadership & Staff

- In January it was decided to formalise the role of Operations Manager as a paid, 1 day per week, post providing both general administrative support and line management of staff.
- Also in January we sent some of our Leaders to a Jesus Ministry Leaders Conference with a view to both personal and outreach benefit.
- The recently formed post of Community Outreach Worker has proven to be a great initiative with a host of new contacts and relationships being formed within the younger age group and within the wider community, especially from a regular presence on the Broadway.
- Both Staff and Leaders meetings continue to be held at regular intervals and have been particularly beneficial in ensuring great communication.
- Later in the year it was decided to invest in a paid, 17 hours per week, Children and Families Worker, to be paid for out of accrued surplus as necessary.

Meetings

- Sunday Morning Meetings continue to be held in Grosvenor Hall, along with Monday Prophecy and Tuesday women's group meetings. Regular Sunday evening Worship Meetings also continue to be held in Grosvenor Hall, and additionally, other regular meetings and small groups take place both in Grosvenor Hall and in peoples' homes throughout the week. These include a group for primary and secondary school students held weekly after school, and a recovery group to help those who are struggling with various issues.
- For those who are still unable to attend in person there are also mid-week regular online bible study groups.
- A small team of people are committed to a weekly gathering in the local shopping parade in the Broadway. The aim is to be a blessing to our community by being a Godly presence, a listening ear and to share the love and hope that Jesus gives.

- As part of our discipling initiative, training & equipping for Christian accountability and mentoring was provided to about a dozen church members over the course of the year.

Church Life

- In the aftermath of the Corons Virus there continues to be fluctuations in numbers of people attending church, both online and in-person, patterns and preferences have changed some seemingly for good and some still possibly temporarily. During the year we have had to say goodbye to some long-term members, but fortunately have welcomed far more new members into the church family. One result of the latter is that we have been blessed seeing lives being changed by faith in Jesus and we have been able to celebrate several baptisms during the course of the year.

Events & new initiatives

- In May this year 15-20 church members attended a Jesus Ministry conference at Chorleywood, which some said was life transforming.
- Between May and July this year we ran a lunchtime Alpha course at Grosvenor Hall.
- EFCC participated in the annual Community Fun Day run by Loughton Town Council, setting up & staffing a pop-up cafe and a prayer tent and meeting and blessing hundreds of our local community.
- In September this year we celebrated our 40th Birthday. Those involved, past and present, in the life of Epping Forest Community Church were invited to celebrate, worship and honour God and remember his faithfulness, and a special time was had by all who attended.
- Later in the year in the run up to Christmas we held a Children's Pre-Christmas Craft Day, enabling parents to have some time for shopping and children to have some fun together. Later we held a Carol Service, and then our annual Nativity Service, and both were well attended by the local community and our own church family. Then on Christmas Day itself we provided a Community Christmas Day Lunch run by a hospitality team from the church and enjoyed by around 50 guests, most of whom would otherwise have been alone on Christmas Day.

WHO DID IT ALL IN 2022....

None of what we have been doing in 2022 would have been possible without the continuing unfailing generosity of everyone who supports us in whatever way they can, be it financially, in prayer, or by sacrificially giving their time. Again, this year we continue to be amazed by, and are so grateful for, all that has been given to us.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Trustees were satisfied with the financial statement provided by our wonderful Treasurer and thank her most sincerely for all the work she undertook for the Trust. As referred to above, the generosity of the members of EFCC and others continues to amaze us, and we remain so thankful for the financial investment people are making.

In 2022 total income was **£133394.33** and total expenditure **£136972.50**, the shortfall being met out of accrued surplus.

(The detailed figures are contained in the following End of Year Financial Statements.)

Through special collections and love offerings included within the above figures we have been able to continue to provide support for the following projects:-

- Hope House Project
- Fountain of Life Hospice
- Indian orphanage appeal

From the collections received, we have been able to continue to make regular monthly payments to the following people and projects:-

- Margaret Gordon (Central Asia/Interserve)
- Emily and Drew Maust (Cameroon/Wycliffe)
- Tough Talk (UK)
- Fountain of Life Hospice (Central Asia)
- Samaritan's Purse (UK & US)
- Indian Orphanage

Additionally, during the year we have continued to tithe a total of 10% of our income out of General Funds to various local, national and international organisations.

During 2022, the end of covid restrictions, we have also been able to significantly increase, over and above the last two years, our revenue received from hall bookings from barely £2000 to nearly £10000.

AND FINALLY...

In conclusion I must again reiterate that all of the above represents just a fraction of the life and work of the EFCC Family, and I continue to count it a great privilege and honour be a part of it.

Furthermore, I would like to once again express a great big "THANK YOU" to everyone who has made it happen!

DATED 10th October 2022

Paul Blackham

Chairperson

For and on behalf of the Trustees of Epping Forest Community Church

EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 31 Dec 2022

Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Planned giving	78,347.09				78,347.09	89,214.69
Collections and other giving			18,983.50		18,983.50	36,352.00
Other voluntary receipts		1,613.77	292.19		1,905.96	86,174.07
Gift Aid recovered	18,656.10	260.11	5,092.39		24,008.60	25,478.78
Other receipts	11.14				11.14	
Investment Income	10,138.04				10,138.04	2,167.55
Total receipts	107,152.37	1,873.88	24,368.08		133,394.33	239,387.09
Payments						
Missionary and Charitable Giving	13,521.41	9,928.69	24,352.37		47,802.47	58,053.36
Clergy and Staffing costs	69,095.39	(100.00)			68,995.39	77,095.77
Church Running Expenses	6,218.10	0.94			6,219.04	4,055.62
Hall Running Costs	13,895.60				13,895.60	9,134.52
Coach/Minibus Costs	60.00				60.00	
Assets						(1,144.00)
Total payments	102,790.50	9,829.63	24,352.37		136,972.50	147,195.27
Net income / (expenditure)	4,361.87	(7,955.75)	15.71		(3,578.17)	92,191.82
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in		345.10			345.10	3,710.91
Gross transfers between funds - out	(345.10)				(345.10)	(3,710.91)
Net income / (expenditure)	4,016.77	(7,610.65)	15.71		(3,578.17)	92,191.82
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets						390,148.00
Net movement in funds	4,016.77	(7,610.65)	15.71		(3,578.17)	482,339.82
Total funds brought forward	597,519.30	93,819.26	8,768.84		700,107.40	217,767.58
Total funds carried forward	601,536.07	86,208.61	8,784.55		696,529.23	700,107.40
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	601,536.07				601,536.07	597,519.30
Designated						
Building Fund		10,385.91			10,385.91	10,385.91
Fund for Danny Thompson						(0.90)
Jellytots						0.70
Kidz Club		(598.23)			(598.23)	(598.23)
Legacy Fund		76,420.93			76,420.93	84,951.57
Pastoral Care Fund Internal						(474.93)
YOUNG AT HEART						0.08
Youth Group						0.16
leadershio training						(445.10)
Restricted						
Anchor Project			7,075.00		7,075.00	8,075.00
Emily & Drew						(178.00)
Fountain of Life Hospice			100.50		100.50	113.00
Hope House			(35.00)		(35.00)	(287.50)
Indian Orphanage			1,317.50		1,317.50	993.80
M Gordon			326.55		326.55	91.25
Pastoral Care Fund External						37.11
Samaritans Purse						(50.00)
Special Collections						(0.32)
Tough Talk						(25.00)
Uganda Families						(0.50)

Balance sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	515,000.00	515,000.00
	515,000.00	515,000.00
Current assets		
Debtors	100.00	830.00
Investments	105,000.00	30,000.00
Cash at bank and in hand	77,474.17	155,322.34
	182,574.17	186,152.34
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	1,044.94	1,044.94
	1,044.94	1,044.94
Net current assets less current liabilities	181,529.23	185,107.40
Total assets less current liabilities	696,529.23	700,107.40
Total net assets less liabilities	696,529.23	700,107.40
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General fund	601,536.07	597,519.30
Designated		
Legacy Fund	76,420.93	84,951.57
Jellytots		0.70
Tithes		
Youth Group		0.16
Pastoral Care Fund Internal		(474.93)
Fund for Danny Thompson		(0.90)
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Kidz Club	(598.23)	(598.23)
YOUNG AT HEART		0.08
Building Fund	10,385.91	10,385.91
Restricted		
Anchor Project	7,075.00	8,075.00
Special Collections		(0.32)
Tough Talk		(25.00)
Uganda Families		(0.50)
Antonia		
Fountain of Life Hospice	100.50	113.00
Hope House	(35.00)	(287.50)
Indian Orphanage	1,317.50	993.80
M Gordon	326.55	91.25
Emily & Drew		(178.00)
Pastoral Care Fund External		37.11
Samaritans Purse		(50.00)
Funds of the church	696,529.23	700,107.40

Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Tangible assets						
Freehold Building -	500,000.00				500,000.00	500,000.00
Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings -	15,000.00				15,000.00	15,000.00
Totals	515,000.00				515,000.00	515,000.00
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
NatWest current account 54005604 -	(78,574.97)	60,123.14	23,451.83		5,000.00	59,637.99
NatWest current account 54005604 -		(5,000.00)			(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
NatWest Business Reserve 54005787 -	15,075.99	(90.00)	(14,985.99)			49,690.44
Bank current - Kidz Club -	(598.91)	598.91				
Bank current - Youth Group -	(2,420.53)	2,420.53				
Bank current - Jellytots -	373.26	(373.26)				
Kingdom Bank account 03278786 -	50,981.43				50,981.43	50,646.61
Virgin Money -	70,339.34	(44,210.01)	263.41		26,392.74	
Petty Cash -	2,284.86	(2,240.16)	55.30		100.00	347.30
Cash - Jellytots -	20.54	(20.54)				
Totals	57,481.01	11,208.61	8,784.55		77,474.17	155,322.34
Current assets - Debtors						
Loan given -	100.00				100.00	830.00
Totals	100.00				100.00	830.00
Current assets - Investments						
Mission Housing Equity Loan -	30,000.00				30,000.00	30,000.00
Cambridge and Counties Fixed rate Bond a -		75,000.00			75,000.00	
Totals	30,000.00	75,000.00			105,000.00	30,000.00
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
Accounts Payable -	(920.00)	920.00				
CTL balance -	1,044.94				1,044.94	1,044.94
Totals	124.94	920.00			1,044.94	1,044.94
Grand total	602,456.07	85,288.61	8,784.55		696,529.23	700,107.40

Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Journals	Closing
Anchor - Anchor Project							
Restricted	8,075.00	(1,000.00)					7,075.00
Sub-total for Anchor	8,075.00	(1,000.00)					7,075.00
Antonia - Antonia							
Restricted							
Sub-total for Antonia							
HOSPICE - Fountain of Life Hos							
Restricted	113.00	425.00	437.50				100.50
Sub-total for HOSPICE	113.00	425.00	437.50				100.50
Hope - Hope House							
Restricted	(287.50)	2,092.50	1,840.00				(35.00)
Sub-total for Hope	(287.50)	2,092.50	1,840.00				(35.00)
INDIA - Indian Orphanage							
Restricted	993.80	4,647.70	4,324.00				1,317.50
Sub-total for INDIA	993.80	4,647.70	4,324.00				1,317.50
Legacy - Legacy Fund							
Designated	84,951.57		8,530.64				76,420.93
Sub-total for Legacy	84,951.57		8,530.64				76,420.93
MARGARET - M Gordon							
Restricted	91.25	5,481.00	5,245.70				326.55
Sub-total for MARGARET	91.25	5,481.00	5,245.70				326.55
MAUST - Emily & Drew							
Restricted	(178.00)	6,898.00	6,720.00				
Sub-total for MAUST	(178.00)	6,898.00	6,720.00				
PASTORALE - Pastoral Care Fund E							
Restricted	37.11	292.70	329.81				
Sub-total for PASTORALE	37.11	292.70	329.81				
SAMARITANS - Samaritans Purse							
Restricted	(50.00)	425.00	375.00				
Sub-total for SAMARITANS	(50.00)	425.00	375.00				
SPECIAL - Special Collections							
Restricted	(0.32)	3,430.68	3,430.36				
Sub-total for SPECIAL	(0.32)	3,430.68	3,430.36				
TITHES - Tithes							
Designated							
Sub-total for TITHES							
TOUGH - Tough Talk							
Restricted	(25.00)	1,675.00	1,650.00				
Sub-total for TOUGH	(25.00)	1,675.00	1,650.00				
UGANDA - Uganda Families							
Restricted	(0.50)	0.50					
Sub-total for UGANDA	(0.50)	0.50					
General - General fund							
Unrestricted	597,519.3	107,152.3	102,790.5	(345.10)			601,536.0
	0	7	0				7
Sub-total for General	597,519.3	107,152.3	102,790.5	(345.10)			601,536.0
	0	7	0				7
Youth - Youth Group							
Designated	0.16		0.16				
Sub-total for Youth	0.16		0.16				
PASTORALI - Pastoral Care Fund I							
Designated	(474.93)	1,872.98	1,398.05				
Sub-total for PASTORALI	(474.93)	1,872.98	1,398.05				

**Fund movement by type
(contd)**

Danny - Fund for Danny Thomp				
Designated	(0.90)		0.90	
Sub-total for Danny	(0.90)		0.90	
TRAINING - leadershio training				
Designated	(445.10)		(100.00)	345.10
Sub-total for TRAINING	(445.10)		(100.00)	345.10
Kidz - Kidz Club				
Designated	(598.23)			(598.23)
Sub-total for Kidz	(598.23)			(598.23)
YOUNG - YOUNG AT HEART				
Designated	0.08		0.08	
Sub-total for YOUNG	0.08		0.08	
Building - Building Fund				
Designated	10,385.91			10,385.91
Sub-total for Building	10,385.91			10,385.91
Jelly - Jellytots				
Designated	0.70		0.70	
Sub-total for Jelly	0.70		0.70	
Grand total	700,107.40	133,394.33	136,972.50	696,529.23

Analysis of receipts and payments

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
Income and endowments						
Planned giving						
0001 - General Donations - imported from DC	78,347.09				78,347.09	89,184.69
0210 - General giving - sundry						30.00
Total	78,347.09				78,347.09	89,214.69
Collections and other giving						
0401 - Collection - ISF - M Gordon			4,484.00		4,484.00	6,228.00
0414 - Antonia						400.00
0430 - Collection - Wycliffe - D Maust			5,402.00		5,402.00	5,948.00
0445 - Collection- Indian Orphanage			3,789.20		3,789.20	3,536.00
0460 - Collection - Tough Talk			1,460.00		1,460.00	950.00
0465 - Collections - Special			2,768.30		2,768.30	
0480 - Fountain of Life - Hospice			300.00		300.00	1,250.00
0485 - Collection - Samaritan's Purse			300.00		300.00	1,200.00
0490 - Collection for Hope House			1,480.00		1,480.00	11,350.00
0491 - Collection for Anchor project			(1,000.00)		(1,000.00)	5,490.00
Total			18,983.50		18,983.50	36,352.00
Other voluntary receipts						
0505 - Legacy						85,004.07
0700 - Pastoral Care Fund - External			292.19		292.19	200.00
0701 - Pastoral Care Fund - Internal		1,613.77			1,613.77	970.00
Total		1,613.77	292.19		1,905.96	86,174.07
Gift Aid recovered						
0601 - Tax recovered on Gift Aid	18,656.10	260.11	5,092.39		24,008.60	25,478.78
Total	18,656.10	260.11	5,092.39		24,008.60	25,478.78
Other receipts						
1003 - cash advance					11.14	
Total					11.14	
Investment Income						
1001 - Gross Interest			336.29		336.29	166.30
1030 - Income from Hall Bookings			9,801.75		9,801.75	2,001.25
Total			10,138.04		10,138.04	2,167.55
INCOME TOTAL	107,152.37	1,873.88	24,368.08		133,394.33	239,387.09

Unrestricted Designated Restricted Endowment This year Last year

Expenditure

Missionary and Charitable Giving

1801 - Gift - ISF - M Gordon			5,245.70		5,245.70	7,480.00
1802 - Gift for Hope House			1,840.00		1,840.00	14,312.50
1810 - Gift - Tough Talk			1,650.00		1,650.00	3,437.50
1815 - Gift - Wycliffe - D Maust			6,720.00		6,720.00	7,220.00
1825 - Samaritan's Purse	125.00		375.00		500.00	1,650.00
1831 - Special Collections			3,430.36		3,430.36	
1840 - Gifts - Sundry						207.00
1841 - Tithe	9,926.00	8,530.64			18,456.64	10,358.00
1842 - Fountain of Life - Hospice			437.50		437.50	1,500.00
1843 - Gift- Indian Orphanage			4,324.00		4,324.00	5,030.00
1845 - Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund - Internal	1,798.04	1,398.05			3,196.09	4,405.50
1846 - Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund - External	884.25		329.81		1,214.06	1,721.50
1848 - Food distribution to needy costs						93.00
1849 - Outreach Debden	579.20				579.20	293.05
1865 - Children's work (special events)	71.95				71.95	
1889 - Afterschool club	136.97				136.97	345.31
Total	13,521.41	9,928.69	24,352.37		47,802.47	58,053.36

Clergy and Staffing costs

2050 - Salaries - Leaders	53,824.20				53,824.20	65,562.69
2051 - Employer's Nat Ins	1,266.42				1,266.42	2,699.70
2056 - Salaries - Children & Families Worker	2,175.80				2,175.80	

This report dated: 31.12.2022



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name: EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

On accounts for the year ended

31st DECEMBER 2022

Charity no (if any)

1074617

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(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 31/12/2022

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:

[Signature]

Date:

19/6/2023

Name:

COLIN NICHOLAS CORRIGAN

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

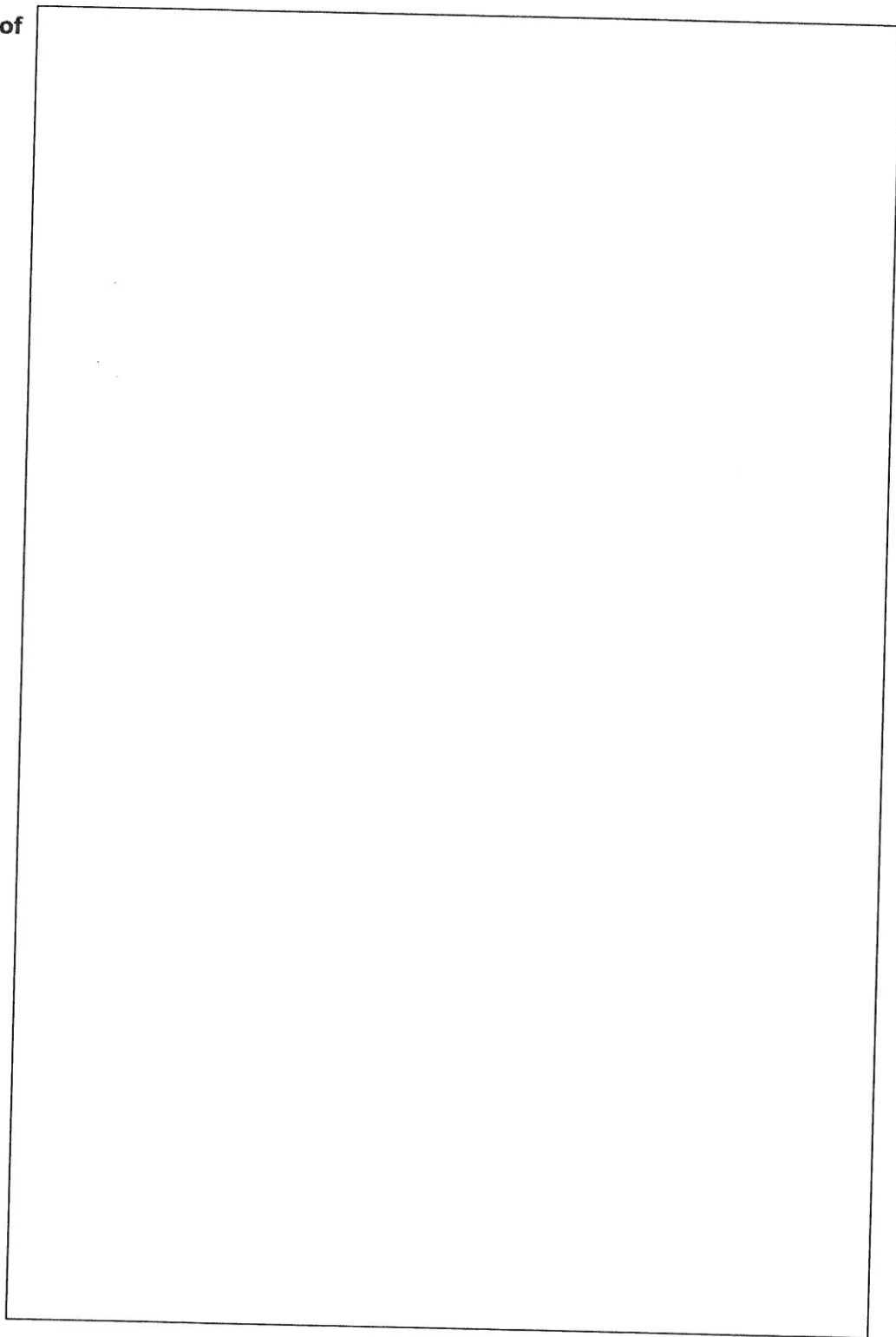
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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



EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1074617

Accounts



ANNUAL REPORT for 2021

• THE TRUST: Structure, Governance and Management

The Epping Forest Community Church (EFCC) Trust was constituted by Deed of Trust on 5th January 1999 and is a registered charity No 1074617.

The Charity Trustees during the year to 31 December 2021 were as follows:

- Paul Blackham - Chairperson (elected 23.10.18)
- Gill Harryman - Treasurer (elected 27.08.18)
- Janice Westwood (elected 13.01.19)
- Rachel Bartels (elected 13.01.19)

The Deed of Trust allows that any person over the age of 18 meeting the Trust's and the Charity Commissioners criteria is eligible to stand as a Trustee of EFCC. A new Trustee may be appointed by a resolution of the Trustees passed at a meeting of the Trustees at which there is the majority of the Trustees present. There must be a minimum of three Trustees at any one time with no maximum set.

At the beginning of the year the day-to-day affairs of EFCC were managed by our full-time employed Church Leaders, Rich Seaman and Katie Nicholson, ably supported and assisted by the five-strong voluntary Leadership Support Team. This structure was altered during the year as noted below.

EFCC owns, and is based out of, Grosvenor Hall, Grosvenor Drive, Loughton IG10 2LG.

• SUMMARY OF THE PURPOSES OF THE CHARITY

The objects of the charity remain as:

- (a) to advance the Christian faith, in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs, in the Epping Forest District and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit
- (b) to relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship or who are aged or sick and to relieve the stress caused thereby in the said locality and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit
- (c) to promote and fulfil such other charitable purposes beneficial to the community in the said locality and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit.

In summary Epping Forest Community Church exists to advance the Christian faith and serve the local community (and wider) in accordance with the objects of the charity and provides:

- A public place of worship
- Multiple activities and projects to serve the local community
- International Support to those most marginalized
- A venue for other community organisations to use

- **WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN 2021....**

Despite the prevailing global conditions, and building upon what we had learnt through 2020, the emphasis of the church's activities continued to focus upon reaching out to, and serving, the local community.

Sunday morning meetings continued to be via Zoom for the first 7 months of the year. Small groups met via Zoom or in person as restrictions allowed up till July, after which, group leaders were free to make their own decisions about how best to meet and some groups ceased meetings until restrictions were ended.

A new Christians and young adults' group started meeting together weekly from March. Along with support and teaching, part of the intention of the group is to develop young leaders.

We were able to successfully organise a "covid secure" Easter family event at Grosvenor Hall, despite the restrictions in place at that time.

In April, a homework club was set up, aimed initially at those who needed extra help catching up with missed work during the previous year and this ran until early July.

After the government announced an end to all restrictions from 19th July, we resumed Sunday morning in-person meetings, giving due attention to ventilation & spaced seating. Also in July, we introduced a short Sunday afternoon meeting at Grosvenor Hall, focused mainly on sung worship, testimony, words of knowledge, prophecy & encouragement.

Since September whole church meetings have been held in-person. Most small groups are also in-person, others have continued with Zoom to cater for those who are unable or unwilling to meet face to face. Additionally, we instituted a weekly outreach event in Debden Broadway taking place on Thursday mornings, inviting people to hear the gospel of Jesus, offering prayer and letting them know about the Church.

In the Autumn, 3 new groups were launched: an after school club for 8-12s, a recovery meeting for those dealing with addictions and a focus group for training people to hear God in the prophetic and words of knowledge.

On October 31st we ran an alternative Hallowe'en event outside the building, offering hot & cold drinks, snacks, children's activities and giving away children's bibles.

Several important Christmas events were still able to be held in December, including a children's Christmas Party, the children's Nativity Play, a candlelit Carol Service, and Christmas Day Lunch.

Despite everything, and with a bit of ingenuity and a stoic disregard for cold weather, we have been able to continue to baptise a good number of people into new life in Christ all throughout the year.

- **CHURCH GROWTH IN 2021....**

After almost 2 years navigating through restrictions & guidelines, the impact of not meeting together freely has been keenly felt. It has been helpful to pause and assess the bigger picture of why church exists, what its primary objectives are and what things are important to the people that comprise it - and this is an ongoing process.

There have been large fluctuations in numbers attending meetings and groups, both online and in-person, and this is still evident as we look ahead to entering the third year since the start of the coronavirus pandemic. During this year some people have moved away, or are now at other local churches, and some people regrettably have passed away. On the other hand we have been able to welcome many new people joining us, and we were particularly blessed to be able to welcome back several people who have been working abroad for several years on mission work especially in Africa and Asia – one person in fact has recently returned after nearly 20 years abroad.

- **WHO DOES IT ALL IN 2021....**

In May 2020 we invited everyone in EFCC to put aside a week to pray, fast and ask God about the church. One outcome of this was the decision to implement a change in the leadership structure. Consequently, at the beginning of 2021 it was agreed to appoint each of the existing 5 members of the former Support Team into voluntary leadership, thus forming the new Leadership Team.

Later in the year, after a sabbatical, one of our former senior leaders made a request to step down from that role, in order to concentrate her skills & gifts in the area of outreach and young people - her growing desire and enthusiasm to work largely in the community made this a natural progression. Consequently, a new role of Community Outreach Worker was created, and she formally resigned from her leadership role on 1st October to take up this position. As well as undertaking both evangelistic & pastoral initiatives in Debden & Loughton the new role involves the mentoring of young adults.

Accordingly, our new Leadership Team now comprises Rich, plus Chris, Helen, Jodi, Nita, and Rob, and Katie is our new Community and Outreach Worker.

In addition to the above we still retain a fantastic group of both paid and voluntary staff and helpers, without whom we would be lost. Together they all look after every aspect of running the Church and I thank God for them!

Regrettably this year we have had again to “furlough” three of our staff for various periods of time during “Lock Down”, but we are grateful to the Government for their generous support through CJRS.

Nothing would be possible without the continuing unfailing generosity of everyone who supports us and, particularly this year when again times have been so challenging for everyone, we continue to be amazed by, and are so grateful for, all that has been given to us. This year, even throughout the continuing ravages of the pandemic, we have as you can see in the section below, yet again been able to make ends meet financially. Additionally, we have been greatly blessed with an extremely generous bequest from a wonderful and greatly missed couple.

- **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Trustees were satisfied with the financial statement provided by our wonderful Treasurer and thank her most sincerely for all the work she undertook for the Trust. As referred to above the generosity of the members of EFCC and others continues to amaze us, and we remain so thankful for the financial investment people are making.

In 2021 total income (including legacy) was **£239387** and total expenditure **£147195**.

(The detailed figures are contained in the attached End of Year Financial Statements.)

The above income figure includes special collections and love offerings as follows: -

- Hope House Project £11350
- Fountain of Life Hospice £ 1250
- Indian orphanage appeal £ 3536

From the collections received, we made regular monthly payments to the following:

- Margaret Gordon (Central Asia)
- Emily and Drew Maust (Cameroon)
- Tough Talk (UK)
- Fountain of Life Hospice (Central Asia)
- Samaritan's Purse (UK & US)
- Indian Orphanage

Additionally, we have tithed a total of £10358 out of General Funds to various local, national and international organisations.

We have also received income from Hall Bookings, albeit still significantly reduced from previous years due to "Lock Down", of £2001

AND FINALLY...

In conclusion I must again reiterate that all of the above represents just a fraction of the life and work of the EFCC Family, and I count it a great privilege and honour be a part of it.

Further, I would like to once more express a great big "THANK YOU" to all of you who have made it happen!

DATED 23rdth October 2022

Paul Blackham

Chairperson

For and on behalf of the Trustees – Epping Forest Community Church

EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 31 December 2021

Notes to the accounts

1. We received a legacy of £525 in March plus £84,479 in December. Total £85,004.
2. The value of the freehold property is an estimate of £500,000, as in the previous year.
3. The gain on the property valuation, the depreciation charges and the adjustment journals are included to bring the accounting records into alignment with the actual position.

Receipts and Payments Account

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Receipts		
Planned giving		
Cost Recovery for Specific Activities	—	1
General Donations - imported from DC	89,184	83,670
General giving - sundry	30	100
Sunday cash collections	—	440
<i>Total Planned giving</i>	<u>89,214</u>	<u>84,211</u>
Collections and other giving		
Antonia	400	—
Collection - ISF - M Gordon	6,228	6,301
Collection - Samaritan's Purse	1,200	1,200
Collection - Tough Talk	950	550
Collection - Wycliffe - D Maust	5,948	5,423
Collection for Anchor project	5,490	—
Collection for Hope House	11,350	6,370
Collection- Indian Orphanage	3,536	4,867
Collections - Special	—	6,575
Fountain of Life - Hospice	1,250	2,620
<i>Total Collections and other giving</i>	<u>36,352</u>	<u>33,906</u>
Other voluntary receipts		
Legacy	85,004	—
Pastoral Care Fund - External	200	1,935
Pastoral Care Fund - Internal	970	7,922
<i>Total Other voluntary receipts</i>	<u>86,174</u>	<u>9,857</u>
Gift Aid recovered		
Tax recovered on Gift Aid	25,478	28,766
<i>Total Gift Aid recovered</i>	<u>25,478</u>	<u>28,766</u>
Investment Income		
Gross Interest	166	512
Income from Hall Bookings	2,001	2,261
<i>Total Investment Income</i>	<u>2,167</u>	<u>2,774</u>
Total Receipts	<u>239,387</u>	<u>159,516</u>
Payments		
Missionary and Charitable Giving		
Afterschool club	345	—
Children's work (special events)	—	7
Food distribution to needy costs	93	—
Fountain of Life - Hospice	1,500	3,137
Gift - ISF - M Gordon	7,480	7,237
Gift - Samaritans Purse	1,650	1,375
Gift - Tough Talk	3,437	3,100
Gift - Wycliffe - D Maust	7,220	6,720
Gift for Hope House	14,312	10,108
Gift- Indian Orphanage	5,030	3,864
Gifts - Sundry	207	75
Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund - External	1,721	2,891
Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund - Internal	4,405	2,842
Outreach Debden	293	—
Special Collections	—	6,686
Tithe	10,358	11,651
<i>Total Missionary and Charitable Giving</i>	<u>58,053</u>	<u>59,695</u>
Clergy and Staffing costs		

Employer's Nat Ins	2,699	3,266
General staff	3,606	3,472
Leaders Development and Training	445	861
Permanent Insurance	394	390
Salaries - Leaders	65,562	69,747
Staff Pensions	4,387	4,306
Youth Workers	—	1,500
<i>Total Clergy and Staffing costs</i>	<u>77,095</u>	<u>83,544</u>
Church Running Expenses		
Advertising & publicity	93	57
Children's work(Sunday)	547	594
Christian Resources	—	791
Computer Expenses	—	23
Equipment repairs & maintenance	—	6
Events	131	91
Office Supplies	108	102
PA/AV sundry equipment & repairs	1,388	14
Photocopier costs	1	182
Refreshments & Kitchen Supplies	274	395
Subscriptions & licences	508	642
Telephone and Broadband	859	924
Web Site	143	153
Women's Group	—	105
Youth Group Expenses	—	177
Youth Group Holidays & Outings	—	8
Youth Group Soul Survivor	—	(320)
<i>Total Church Running Expenses</i>	<u>4,055</u>	<u>3,951</u>
Hall Running Costs		
Caretaker	100	—
Cleaning	4,150	4,142
Covid 19 exp	9	597
Electricity	275	979
Gas	619	1,290
Hall Maintenance & Repairs	2,544	476
Insurance	1,523	1,492
Water	(87)	631
<i>Total Hall Running Costs</i>	<u>9,134</u>	<u>9,611</u>
Coach/Minibus Costs		
Minibus Expenses	—	57
<i>Total Coach/Minibus Costs</i>	<u>—</u>	<u>57</u>
Assets		
Depreciation - FFF	(2,994)	—
Depreciation - Motor Vehicles	1,706	—
Depreciation - Sheds	144	—
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>(1,144)</u>	<u>—</u>
Total Payments	147,195	156,860
Excess of Receipts over Payments	92,191	2,656
Brought forward balance	217,767	215,111
Gains & losses on revaluation	348,183	—
Other adjustments	41,966	—
Carried forward balance	700,107	217,767

Statement of assets and liabilities

FIXED ASSETS

Freehold Building (E)	500,000
Furniture Fixtures and Fittings	15,000
Total	£515,000

CURRENT ASSETS

NatWest Bank Current Account	54,638
NatWest Bank Reserve Account	49,690
Kingdom Bank	50,647
Mission Housing Equity Loan	30,000
Petty Cash	347
Loan Given	830
Total	£186,152

LIABILITIES

CTL	(£1,045)
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NET ASSETS	£700,107
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Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name EPPIN & FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

On accounts for the year ended

31st DECEMBER 2021

Charity no (if any)

1074617

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(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 31/12/2021.

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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
• the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
• the accounts did 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.

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

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

10/10/2022

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EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1074617

Accounts



ANNUAL REPORT for 2020

• THE TRUST: Structure, Governance and Management

The Epping Forest Community Church (EFCC) Trust is constituted by Deed of Trust on 5th January 1999 and is a registered charity No 1074617.

The Charity Trustees during the year to 31 December 2020 were as follows:

- Paul Blackham - Chairperson (elected 23.10.18)
- Gill Harryman (elected 27.08.18)
- Janice Westwood (elected 13.01.19)
- Rachel Bartels (elected 13.01.19)
- Andrew Leslie (elected 27.08.18 – resigned 13.09.20)
- Michael Lyons (elected 13.01.19 – resigned 13.09.20)

The Deed of Trust allows that any person over the age of 18 meeting the Trust's and the Charity Commissioners criteria is eligible to stand as a Trustee of EFCC. A new Trustee may be appointed by a resolution of the Trustees passed at a meeting of the Trustees at which there is the majority of the Trustees present. There must be a minimum of three Trustees at any one time with no maximum set.

The day-to-day affairs of EFCC are managed by our full-time employed Church Leaders, Mr. Richard Seaman and Ms. Kate Nicholson, ably supported and assisted by the five-strong voluntary Leadership Support Team.

EFCC owns, and is based out of, Grosvenor Hall, Grosvenor Drive, Loughton IG10 2LG.

• SUMMARY OF THE PURPOSES OF THE CHARITY

The objects of the charity remain as:

(a) to advance the Christian faith, in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs, in the Epping Forest District and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit

(b) to relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship or who are aged or sick and to relieve the stress caused thereby in the said locality and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit

(c) to promote and fulfil such other charitable purposes beneficial to the community in the said locality and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees may from time-to-time think fit.

In summary Epping Forest Community Church exists to advance the Christian faith and serve the local community (and wider) in accordance with the objects of the charity and provides:

- A public place of worship
- Multiple activities and projects to serve the local community
- International Support to those most marginalized

- A venue for other community organisations to use

- **WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING....**

At the beginning of the year our planned gatherings and activities continued as normal in line with our vision and programme developed in 2019. The emphasis of the church's activities remained on reaching out to the local community.

Sunday morning public worship and mid-week, daytime and evening, gatherings being held at Grosvenor Hall, and a plethora of small group meetings being held throughout the week in private homes across the whole church.

However, by March all was to change as the Global Pandemic caused us to reassess and rearrange the entire way we met, worked and reached out to others.

In the light of Government guidance concerning coronavirus, we decided to suspend all church meetings both at Grosvenor Hall and in people's homes. We also cancelled all external hall bookings.

A YouTube channel was set up to create a means of broadcasting teaching and in May we moved over to Zoom meetings, which allowed for live interaction for participants, and these arrangements remained in place for the rest of the year. These media were a great help to those who felt isolated during "Lock Down". They also enabled a much wider audience than our physical meetings would have been able to cater for and allowed many people to join in from far away, even from overseas.

Also in May, we set aside a week of prayer and fasting for the whole Church to seek God for the next season. This, and the Leaders continued reflections during the times of "Lock Down", generated some significant insight, both for the present and the future, although implementing some elements meant waiting for restrictions to ease.

Overall, it has allowed us to refocus on what Church really is and to reconsider how Jesus wants us to represent him in this world.

Meanwhile, we invested in measures to make Grosvenor Hall a "Covid Safe" place in preparation for the lifting of restrictions. Consequently, we felt able to open our doors for additional in-person meetings in September, October, and December, as the Government's "Guidelines for Places of Worship" permitted, and thus were allowed a glimpse of "normality", and a way to better help those feeling isolated.

Small groups continued to meet either on Zoom, outdoors or indoors depending on the law and advice in force at the time, this also related to Trustees, general business, and staff meetings.

The pandemic in fact opened up some new opportunities to the Church to serve and help the local Community. We set up a system of food delivery to those in need around us, wonderfully supported and enabled by generous donations and volunteers. We also were able to help with shopping deliveries and prescription collections to those around us.

- **WHO DOES IT ALL...**

In addition to our Leaders, Rich and Katie and their wonderful Support Team, we have a fantastic group of both paid and voluntary staff and helpers, without whom we would be lost.

Together they all look after every aspect of running the Church and I thank God for them!

Regrettably this year we have had to "furlough" three of our staff for various periods of time during "Lock Down", but we are grateful to the Government for their support.

Nothing would be possible without the unfailing generosity of everyone who supports us and, particularly this year when times have been so challenging for everyone, we continue to be amazed by, and are so grateful for, all that has been given to us. As you can see in the section below, even throughout the ravages of the pandemic we have still been able to make ends meet financially.

Praise the Lord!

- **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Trustees were satisfied with the financial statement provided by our wonderful Treasurer and thank her most sincerely for all the work she undertook for the Trust. As referred to above the generosity of the members of EFCC and others continues to amaze us, and we remain so thankful for the financial investment people are making.

In 2020 total income was **£159516** and total expenditure **£156860**.

The detailed finances are detailed in the attached End of Year Financial Statements.

The above income figure includes special collections and love offerings as follows: -

● Hope House Project	£10108
● Fountain of Life Hospice	£ 3137
● Orphanage school fees, Cambodia	£ 6686
● Local Christians in need	£ 5733

From the collections received, we make regular monthly payments to the following:

- Margaret Gordon (Central Asia)
- Emily and Drew Maust (Cameroon)
- Tough Talk (UK)
- Fountain of Life Hospice (Central Asia)
- Samaritan's Purse (UK & US)
- Indian Orphanage

Additionally, we have tithed a total of £11651 out of General Funds to various local, national and international organisations.

We have also received income from Hall Bookings, albeit significantly reduced from previous years due to "Lock Down", of £2261

AND FINALLY...

In conclusion I must again reiterate that all of the above represents just a fraction of the life and work of the EFCC Family, and I count it a great privilege and honour be a part of it.

Further, I would like to once more express a great big "THANK YOU" to all of you who have made it happen!

DATED 5th October 2021

Paul Blackham

Chairperson

For and on behalf of the Trustees – Epping Forest Community Church

EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 31 December 2020

- **Introductory Note**

This year was an unusual year because for about 8 months most of the premises were closed due to Covid19 restrictions. Only the office and a few small rooms remained in use throughout.

Receipts and Payments Account

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Receipts		
Planned Giving		
Cost Recovery for Specific Activities	1	—
General Donations - imported from DC	83,670	103,903
General giving - sundry	100	0
Gift Aid -Sundry giving	—	433
Sunday cash collections	440	—
<i>Total Planned giving</i>	<u>84,211</u>	<u>104,337</u>
Collections and other giving		
Collection - ISF - M Gordon	6,301	6,185
Collection - Samaritan's Purse	1,200	1,200
Collection - Tough Talk	550	1,180
Collection - Uganda Families	—	2,879
Collection - Wycliffe - D Maust	5,423	4,992
Collection for Hope House	6,370	15,244
Collection- Indian Orphanage	4,867	—
Collections - Special	6,575	40
Fountain of Life - Hospice	2,620	4,220
<i>Total Collections and other giving</i>	<u>33,906</u>	<u>35,941</u>
Other voluntary receipts		
Grants from Jack Petchey	—	1,200
Pastoral Care Fund - External	1,935	—
Pastoral Care Fund - Internal	7,922	2,060
<i>Total Other voluntary receipts</i>	<u>9,857</u>	<u>3,260</u>
Gift Aid recovered		
Tax recovered on Gift Aid	28,766	32,176
<i>Total Gift Aid recovered</i>	<u>28,766</u>	<u>32,176</u>
Investment Income		
Gross Interest	512	484
Income from Hall Bookings	2,261	7,662
<i>Total Investment Income</i>	<u>2,774</u>	<u>8,147</u>
Receipts from church activities		
Miscellaneous receipts	—	0
<i>Total Receipts from church activities</i>	<u>—</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Receipts	<u>159,516</u>	<u>183,863</u>
Payments		
Missionary and Charitable Giving		
Children's work (special events)	7	262
Fountain of Life - Hospice	3,137	5,025
Gift - ISF - M Gordon	7,237	8,134
Gift - Samaritans Purse	1,375	1,500
Gift - Tough Talk	3,100	3,638
Gift - Uganda Families	—	3,600
Gift - Wycliffe - D Maust	6,720	6,720
Gift for Hope House	10,108	16,622
Gift- Indian Orphanage	3,864	—
Gifts - Sundry	75	40
Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund - External	2,891	611
Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund - Internal	2,842	4,300
Special Collections	6,686	673
Tithe	11,651	13,598
<i>Total Missionary and Charitable Giving</i>	<u>59,695</u>	<u>64,726</u>

Clergy and Staffing costs		
Employer's Nat Ins	3,266	3,945
Leaders Development and Training	861	904
Office Salaries	3,472	5,911
Permanent Insurance	390	385
Salaries - Leaders	69,747	67,249
Staff Pensions	4,306	3,999
Youth Workers	1,500	4,800
<i>Total Clergy and Staffing costs</i>	<u>83,544</u>	<u>87,196</u>
Church Running Expenses		
Advertising & publicity	57	404
Bank charges and interest	—	(95)
Children's work (Sunday)	594	742
Christian Resources	791	181
Church holiday - Naturally Supernatural	—	224
Computer Expenses	23	—
Equipment repairs & maintenance	6	146
Events	91	1,118
Office Supplies	102	499
PA/AV sundry equipment & repairs	14	604
Photocopier costs	182	140
Refreshments & Kitchen Supplies	395	776
Speakers	—	323
Subscriptions & Licences	642	560
Telephone and Broadband	924	860
Web Site	153	160
Women's Group	105	480
Youth Group Expenses	177	623
Youth Group Holidays & Outings	8	(396)
Youth Group Soul Survivor	(320)	(1,226)
Youth Group Training	—	149
Youth Group charges to Jack Petchy Grant	—	931
<i>Total Church Running Expenses</i>	<u>3,951</u>	<u>7,207</u>
Hall Running Costs		
Caretaker	—	200
Cleaning	4,142	5,704
Covid 19 exp	597	—
Electricity	979	1,203
Gas	1,290	1,964
Hall Maintenance & Repairs	476	1,817
Insurance	1,492	1,445
Miscellaneous	—	1
Water	631	444
<i>Total Hall Running Costs</i>	<u>9,611</u>	<u>12,779</u>
Coach/Minibus Costs		
Minibus Expenses	57	2,010
<i>Total Coach/Minibus Costs</i>	<u>57</u>	<u>2,010</u>
Assets		
Furniture	—	710
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>—</u>	<u>710</u>
Total Payments	156,860	174,630
Excess of Receipts over Payments	2,656	9,232
Brought forward balance	215,111	205,879
Transfers to/(from)	—	—
Carried forward balance	217,767	215,111

Notes to the accounts

1. £7992 was posted incorrectly to Pastoral Care Internal in lieu of General Income. The total general income was £91662 (£83,670 plus £7992) which is £12,675 less than last year. A drop is not surprising given that we had very little rental income and several members left for varying reasons. The Pastoral gifts external £1935 was mostly donations received for a newly bereaved widow in the community.
2. The Special Collections £6686 was what we collected for school fees for a family working in Cambodia
3. The good news is our expenses dropped by £17,770 so our income was £2,214 more than our expenses!
4. Christian Resources was mainly what we spent on a speaker for outdoor services and Debden outreach.
5. I was surprised that our water charges were more this year than 2019 so I've made an enquiry.
6. The reason there is money remaining in the Indian Orphanage funds is that a decision was taken to spread what was collected over 2 years.

Statement of assets and liabilities

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
Fixed assets			
6431	Freehold Building	500,000	500,000
	Total Fixed assets	500,000	500,000
Current assets			
6501	NatWest current account 54005604	3,186	4,208
6505	NatWest Business Reserve 54005787	9,894	11,205
6522	Kingdom Bank account 03278786	50,481	55,039
6525	Virgin Money	—	20,000
6540	Mission Housing Equity Loan	30,000	—
6590	Petty Cash	46	200
6599	Loan given	1,700	2,000
	Total Current assets	95,309	92,653
Liabilities			
Z04	Accounts Payable	—	—
Z06	CTL balance	1,249	1,249
	Total Liabilities	1,249	1,249
	Net Asset surplus(deficit)	217,767	215,111
Reserves			
Z01	Excess / (deficit) to date	2,656	27,116
	Starting balances	215,111	187,994
	Total Reserves	217,767	215,111
	Represented by funds		
	Unrestricted	207,107	204,830
	Designated	8,924	9,520
	Restricted	1,735	761
	Endowment	—	—
	Total	217,767	215,111

Signed G Harryman Treasurer 26 Feb 2021

C Corrigan Independent Examiner



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST

On accounts for the year ended

31st DECEMBER 2020

Charity no (if any)

1074617

Set out on pages

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(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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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:

30/7/2021

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