

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		0.16
Youth Group		(474.93)
Pastoral Care Fund Internal		(0.90)
Fund for Danny Thompson		(445.10)
leadershio training		(598.23)
Kidz Club	(598.23)	0.08
YOUNG AT HEART		10,385.91
Building Fund	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	597,519.30	107,152.37	102,790.50	(345.10)			601,536.07
Sub-total for General	597,519.30	107,152.37	102,790.50	(345.10)			601,536.07
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				11.14	
Total	11.14				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

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
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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	1,798.04	1,398.05			3,196.09	4,405.50
- Internal						
1846 - Gifts from Pastoral Care Fund	884.25		329.81		1,214.06	1,721.50
- External						
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)

1074 617

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 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:

Date:

19/6/2023

Name:

Colin Nicholas Corrigan

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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.