

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 03769753 (England and Wales)**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1076491**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023  
FOR  
WALSALL COMMUNITY CHURCH  
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**

**WALSALL COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
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**WALSALL COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**Registered Charity and Company Limited by Guarantee**  
**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**ACTIVITIES**

As a community church we endeavour to be in the community, for the community. Our mission is to fulfil the commission given to us by Jesus Christ in being the Gospel (good news) by word and by our actions.

Regular meetings and gatherings of people take place on Sundays and at other times, to teach Christian faith. The congregations comprise people from different backgrounds and cultures.

Small groups taking place in localised areas form a foundation for church stability and growth.

We run a children's and youth programme.

We also serve our community through the following: -

- Money Advice Project to advise people in the community about benefits, debt management and related issues.
- "Dial-a-friend" helping people in a practical way
- Family Fun days
- Alpha courses, explaining the Christian faith
- Working with the Black Country Food Bank
- Reaching out to the Asian community
- Other varied ways in which members of Walsall Community Church are helping people, neighbours in the community both spiritually and with practical issues.

**ACHIEVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR**

The Goldmine congregation continues to gather in the town centre is becoming an increasingly racially diverse community.

After a prolonged period on Zoom and with some smaller gatherings, the Coalpool Church has found a new venue at St Peters Church Hall.

The Midland Road Chapel building (MRC), previous venue of the Big Feed, was gifted to Walsall Community Church by the retiring trustees of MRC, although under a separate Trust, for community outreach activities and we have begun this year to rent this out to a black majority church and training project.

The Walsall Money Advice Project (WMAP) has continued to operate, with an increased focus on the cost of living crisis. Clients continued to be referred from WATMOS Community Homes. Other clients (outside these group) were also helped. WMAP continues to work alongside the Black Country Food Bank, with increasing involvement in day to day running.

Walsall Community Church supports and contributes towards the work of Trans4m International, an associate charity working with overseas churches and community projects. WCC also made donations to support outreach and needs in Pakistan and Ukraine.

The Table café has had a reasonably successful year and, although it operates as a separate Community Interest Company (CIC), it is intentional in creating a Godly spiritual atmosphere and as a "door" to Jesus Christ and the church.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Walsall Community Church

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 March 2023

Charity no

1076491

Set out on pages

1 – 6 (including these pages) (One to Six)

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

[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.

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

Signed:

Darren Warren

Date:

2011/2023

Name:

Darren Warren – Paxton Independent Examiners

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

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Address:

61a High Street South

Rushden

Northants, NN10 0RA

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.**

## CC Receipts & Payments Report

Charity name: Walsall Communtiy Church

Charity number: 1076491

For the period from 01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023

Receipts and payments				
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Voluntary Receipts	162,631	5,070	0	167,701
Fundraising Activities	30,377	13,766	0	44,143
Investments	4,220	1,700	0	5,920
Charitable Activities	0	0	0	0
Other Receipts	161	0	0	161
	197,389	20,536	0	217,925
Asset and Investment sales etc				
Total receipts	197,389	20,536	0	217,925
Payments				
Voluntary Income Costs	1,090	0	0	1,090
Fundraising Costs	6,702	0	0	6,702
Charitable Activities Costs	212,008	37,222	0	249,230
Governance Costs	9,079	86	0	9,165
	228,879	37,308	0	266,187
Assets and investments gains/losses	0	0	0	0
Total payments	228,879	37,308	0	266,187
Excess of receipts over payments	-31,490	-16,772	0	-48,262
Transfers between Funds				
Cash Funds Last Year End	170,629	22,377	0	193,006
Cash funds this year end	139,139	5,605	0	144,744

**Paxton****Charity Commission Receipts and Payments Details****Charity no. 1076491****Walsall Communtiy Church****March 2023**

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Year Total</u>
A1 Receipts				
	0	0	0	0
A1				
	0	0	0	0
A1 Voluntary Receipts				
Donations received - tithes	123,592	0	0	123,592
Donations - to make gifts	10,555	4,964	0	15,520
Gift Aid received	27,367	105	0	27,472
Donations - for internal use	27	0	0	27
Contra in	1,090	0	0	1,090
	162,631	5,069	0	167,701
A1 Fundraising Activities				
Events income - Women	3,329	0	0	3,329
Events income - Youth	420	0	0	420
Events income - Men	12	0	0	12
Events income - other	1,009	0	0	1,009
Contract income - Synergy	14,345	0	0	14,345
Contract income - Love Walsall	3,418	0	0	3,418
Contract income - S&L	7,845	0	0	7,845
Contract income - Food Bank	0	5,016	0	5,016
WMAF Contract	0	8,750	0	8,750
	30,378	13,766	0	44,144
A1 Investments				
Rent income - Office	3,040	0	0	3,040
Rent income - Midland Road	0	1,700	0	1,700
Rent income - MPR	1,180	0	0	1,180
	4,220	1,700	0	5,920
A1 Charitable Activities				
	0	0	0	0
A1 Other Receipts				
Other receipts	161	0	0	161
	161	0	0	161
A2 Asset and Investment sales etc				



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# Charity Commission Receipts and Payments Details

Charity no. 1076491

Walsall Communtiy Church

March 2023

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Year Total</u>
	0	0	0	0
A2				
	0	0	0	0
A3 Payments				
	0	0	0	0
A3				
	0	0	0	0
A3 Voluntary Income Costs				
Contra out	1,090	0	0	1,090
	1,090	0	0	1,090
A3 Fundraising Costs				
Events - Women	4,853	0	0	4,853
Events - Youth	1,848	0	0	1,848
	6,701	0	0	6,701
A3 Charitable Activities Costs				
Gifts/Grants given	24,885	2,000	0	26,885
Subscriptions - Synergy	4,705	0	0	4,705
Subscriptions - Other	685	199	0	884
Net pay	98,392	22,052	0	120,444
PAYE/NI	30,747	5,249	0	35,995
Pension contributions	3,418	1,536	0	4,953
Staff training costs	3,257	0	0	3,257
Vehicle costs	2,776	0	0	2,776
Travel costs	1,836	0	0	1,836
Service charge - 33 LHL	12,960	0	0	12,960
Heat & Light - Midland Road	0	665	0	665
Rent - Goldmine	9,600	0	0	9,600
Rent - St Peters	2,520	0	0	2,520
Rates	228	0	0	228
Insurances	980	1,658	0	2,638
Licences & compliance	942	0	0	942
Caretaking	1,351	0	0	1,351
Repairs & maintenance - 33LHL	1,134	0	0	1,134
Repairs & maintenance - MR	0	3,483	0	3,483
Ministry costs - Refreshments	2,201	0	0	2,201
Ministry costs - Youth	86	0	0	86
Ministry costs - Kids	319	0	0	319
Ministry costs - Music	523	0	0	523
Ministry costs - Counselling	2,031	0	0	2,031

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March 2023

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Year Total</u>
Ministry costs - Training	244	0	0	244
Ministry costs - Outreach	548	0	0	548
Ministry costs - Preaching	1,109	0	0	1,109
Phone, email, Zoom costs	2,288	175	0	2,463
Postage	7	0	0	7
Printing, Photocopying	1,550	0	0	1,550
Publicity costs	20	0	0	20
IT costs	246	0	0	246
Other costs	420	205	0	625
	212,008	37,222	0	249,228
A3 Governance Costs				
Audit & Accountancy costs	2,750	0	0	2,750
Bank charges	329	86	0	415
Loan repayment	6,000	0	0	6,000
	9,079	86	0	9,165
A4 Assets and investments gains/losses				
	0	0	0	0
A5 Transfers between Funds				
	0	0	0	0

## **PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The main activities undertaken by the charity further the charity's purpose for the public benefit. The trustees have had regard for guidance on public benefit.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

WCC is grateful to all individuals within the church who have given their time and used their talents to bring the Kingdom of God on earth!

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

### **Financial Position**

WCC is grateful to individuals contributing by tithes and offerings Thanks, also, to organisations which have contributed.

Total funds brought forward from the previous year were at a healthy level, establishing a strong basis to support the work of the charity. Regular giving income (tithes, offerings, special offering) shows a 6% increase over last year's giving (excluding WMAP). Funding for WMAP was mostly received from WATMOS Community Homes, The Black Country Food Bank, Lottery and Walsall Council

"My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4v19)

### **Reserves policy**

Total reserves at year end stood at £526,904 (2022 £569,832). Unrestricted reserves were £267,332 and restricted reserves were £260,238

## **SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under part VII of the Companies Act 1985

Signed on behalf of the trustees



Mr T Summersby

Trustee

Date: 13/12/2023.

**Balance Sheet****Walsall Community Church****Charity no. 1076491, Company no. 3769753**

As at 31 March 2023

			<u>31-Mar-23</u>	<u>31-Mar-22</u>
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash at bank and in hand	114,506	30,238	144,744	193,006
Debtors	-	-	-	15,213
	<b>114,506</b>	<b>30,238</b>	<b>144,744</b>	<b>208,219</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
33 Lower Hall Lane Lease	156,665	-	156,665	156,665
Fixtures & Fittings	6,018	-	6,018	6,018
Minibus	494	-	494	494
Midland Road Chapel	-	230,000	230,000	-
	<b>163,177</b>	<b>230,000</b>	<b>393,177</b>	<b>163,177</b>
<b>Creditors</b>				
Vine Trust Loan	(10,351)	-	(10,351)	(16,351)
Accrued expenses	-	-	-	(2,100)
	<b>(10,351)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(10,351)</b>	<b>(18,451)</b>
<b>Net assets/liabilities</b>			<b>527,570</b>	<b>352,945</b>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on <sup>13</sup>~~16~~ December 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mr T N Summersby - Trustee