

**Trustees' Annual Report**  
**(Accompanying Receipts and Payment Accounts)**

**Eagle's Nest Church Arnold**



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Charity Commission Registered Number 1082849

Financial Year 1 January 2020 – 31 December 2020

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## Governing Document

Eagle's Nest Church Arnold adopted the Assemblies of God Model Trust Deed dated 30 March 2000 and amended 7 May 2006.

## Objectives of the Charity

The objectives of Eagle's Nest Church Arnold are for the benefit of the public:

- a) To advance the Christian faith in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time may think fit; and
- b) To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time think fit; and
- c) To advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church council from time to time may think fit.

## Scope

Eagle's Nest Church exists to impact the town of Arnold, Nottingham by building community and making a tangible, positive difference to the residents of Arnold. Also we support development projects in other countries where we have built relational links. Finally our purpose is to facilitate a vibrant, growing church in Arnold.

## Activities and Achievements

Covid-19 and the global pandemic caused Eagle's Nest Church Arnold activities to look very different after March 2020 following the Government restrictions and guidance. Our aim through this season was to serve the vulnerable in our community through liaising with the local council, provide weekly online worship services, and provide essential connection for those that were shielding. The Trustees noted that this was been the most challenging and unprecedented era, by some magnitude, in the running of church. Government Legislation was followed at all times.



## Sunday Services

From March to August 2020 and during the November Lockdown the Sunday services became online only and were delivered through YouTube. The vast majority of the church community joined the broadcast each week and joined the online chat. For the remainder of the year then in-person services were held at The Redhill Academy, Arnold. These services were also live streamed for those shielding. The services were Covid-19 compliant i.e. everyone was socially distanced, masks were obligatory, hands and touch points were all sanitised and everyone had to book-in for church.

## Kids and Youth

Our kids and youth were connected through the Covid-19 season via Zoom, craft packs and videos in our Sunday services.



### Hubs

Attendees of Eagle's Nest Church are also invited to join a mid-week group of around 6-10 members. These Hubs all moved online and were facilitated over Zoom. When groups of 6 were allowed to meet outside then some Hubs met for walks to build socially distanced connection.

### Community

Our community support focused on a shopping scheme for those shielding during the pandemic. Volunteers from Eagle's Nest would shop on behalf of individuals and the payments would be reimbursed through our Covid-19 Restricted fund. Craft packs were also posted to our children's club members during the Lockdown.

Partnering with a number of other Arnold Churches, and organised under guidance from Trussell Trust, we are also involved in running a local Foodbank Scheme. The Arnold Foodbank was an invaluable resource to many people in the pandemic. Food donations were high and the Foodbank Team switched to delivering food parcels to prevent mixing between Foodbank recipients.



In addition, we are partnered with Hope into Action and The Jericho Road Project, helping to deliver practical support for women fleeing abusive environments, by providing housing, counselling, befriending and other essential services. Currently female members of Eagle's Nest Church befriend a maximum of two women that are housed in Arnold.

### Financial Review

The total income for 2020 of £97,800 was predominantly provided by the generous donations of the members of Eagle's Nest Church. This included restricted donations of £32,947. Expenditure for 2020 totalled £81,810. Careful monitoring of charity's income and expenditure meant that we ended 2020 with a year end balance of £48,824.

In total 89% (£73,561) of our expenditure was spent on the regular church activities including Sunday church, Hubs, pastoral care and the general running of the church. 11% (£8,248) was spent on external community people and projects both locally and overseas.

We would like to thank the following Councillors for their grants towards our community activities:

- Cllr Pauline Allen - £1000
- Cllr Michael Payne - £250

Full details of our finances can be found in the accompanying receipts and payments accounts.

### Names of Trustees

- John Fahy (Chair)
- Julian Bond (Treasurer)
- Kay Bond
- Mandy Barnett

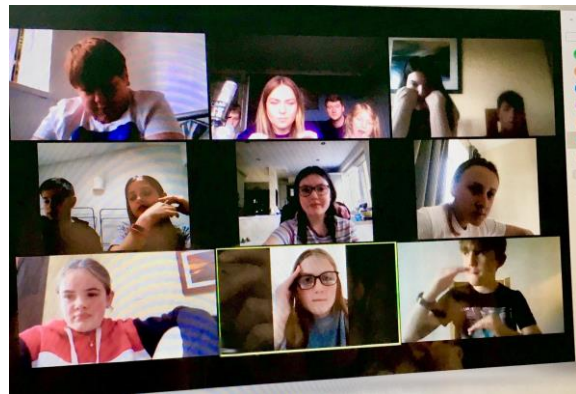
## Reserves and Investment Policy

The Church Council have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed should be ideally three months of the resource required.

The Trustees consider the returns on investment to be satisfactory.

## Governance

The Eldership provides spiritual oversight of the church. The Elders of the church appoint Trustees and the Trustees collectively form the Church Council. The legal authority is placed in the Church Council.



## Asset Register

- Allen & Heath QU24 mixing desk - value £2100
- Allen & Heath Audiorack AR2412 - value £1100
- 2 x Flexsys F15 speakers (DB Technologies) - value £550 each
- Drum Kit - £500
- Toddler group Toys - £1000

## Professional Advisers

HSBC Bank, 104 Front St, Arnold, Nottingham, NG5 7EG

Geldard's LLP Solicitors, Number One Pride Place, Pride Park, Derby, DE24 8QR

Andrew Pearson, FMCA Executive Practice, 87 Main St, Newton Linford, Leicestershire LE6 0AF

## Grant-making Policy

Grants are made to associated charities with compatible objectives and to individuals with needs that fall within the scope of our charitable objectives.

## Review of Major Risks

After a review of the risks, the Church Fellowship Insurance Policy, Data and Safeguarding Policy were updated.

## Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work hard to make our church the lively and vibrant gathering it is and also for running community events that make a positive impact on the lives of hundreds of people and families in the town of Arnold.



## Supported Charities

Eagle's Nest Church has existing partnerships with various charities involved in mission work and community transformation both locally and worldwide. In particular:

### *Eagle's Nest Community Action*

ENCA is a newly formed Charity Limited by Guarantee to provide a legal structure for the management of Eagle's Nest Centre and other charity community projects in Arnold and the surrounding area.

### *The King's Village Ghana*

We continue to financially contribute toward The King's Village in Ghana, enabling the advancement of education and inclusion of their communities. The support is directed through the UK Charity 'The King's Village Ghana,' charity number 1182366, which then oversees and transfers funds to the Ghanaian NGO. More information can be found at [www.tkvg.org.uk](http://www.tkvg.org.uk)

### *Assemblies of God*

The Assemblies of God in Great Britain is the largest Pentecostal Denomination and serves a membership of some six hundred churches nationwide. Eagle's Nest Church has been in affiliation with the denomination since 2000. Each member church donates 3% of their annual income to support the administration and wider work of the denomination.

### *NG Church Network, Nottingham*

The church minister, John Fahy, continues to hold an active role in the wider NG Church Network. We contribute monthly to a fund that supports integrated projects across Nottingham and Nottinghamshire.

### *Evangelical Alliance*

Eagle's Nest Church has been fully affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance since 2000.

### *73<sup>rd</sup> Trust*

Eagle's Nest Church supports the 73<sup>rd</sup> Trust which exists to engage the unchurched through relevant communication of the Gospel. It provides resources for churches as it seeks to reach out and make a difference in this nation and to act as a support base for Mark Ritchie, that will enable him to pioneer numerous and diverse channels of the Gospel to today's generation.

### *Arnold Foodbank*

The Arnold Foodbank was established under the guidance of The Trussell Trust. We are one of a number of local charities that supports the Arnold Foodbank. During 2013 the Foodbank received 1200 vouchers which equated to over 2500 people, 25000 meals provided, almost 20 tonnes of food supplied!

### *Hope into Action*

Hope into Action provides homes for the most vulnerable in society in partnership with local churches.

### *Jericho Road Project*

The Jericho Road Project is supported by Eagle's Nest Church, and is a joint church initiative supporting those involved in the sex industry in Nottingham. The project has been running for over ten years and is making a difference in women's lives – showing love and enabling the women to make life changing informed choices.



**Eagles Nest Church Arnold (Reg No 1082849)**  
**Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2020**

INCOME	Notes	Restricted Total	Unrestricted Funds	£	£
				Total 2020	Total 2019
Charitable Activities	Other		1100	1100	3059
Donations	The King's Village GHANA	448		448	7,045
	NG	1,200		1,200	-
	Awards For All			-	6,790
	COVID-19	1,092		1,092	-
	Other Donations		63,575	63,575	75,095
Grants	Council	1,250		1,250	1,100
	LIS	3,000		3,000	3,000
Other Income	CJRS Furlough		178	178	-
	Gift Aid	25,940		25,940	13,554
	Investment Income	17		17	35
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>32,947</b>	<b>64,853</b>	<b>97,800</b>	<b>109,678</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Administration		-	2,772	2,772	2,847
Charity Hub		-	-	-	86
Evangelism & Counselling	Other	-	-	-	505
Family Fun & Events		-	-	-	629
Kids Work	Council	1,956	-	1,956	297
	LIS	336	-	336	2,677
	Awards For All	2,525	-	2,525	4,265
	Other		9,569	9,569	15,128
Mid Week Courses			209	209	932
Ministry			43,032	43,032	35,205
Other Charities	The King's Village GHANA		-	-	8,895
	Other		7,258	7,258	13,505
Pastoral	COVID-19	1,128	-	1,128	0
	Other		775	775	689
Sunday Service			6,572	6,572	9,726
Training & Development			257	257	2,731
Youth Work	SOS		-	-	335
	Council	97	-	97	
	LIS	352	-	352	306
	Other		4,972	4,972	5,651
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>6,394</b>	<b>75,416</b>	<b>81,810</b>	<b>104,409</b>
Funds Transfer		(36)	36		
<b>TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSES</b>		<b>26,589</b>	<b>(10,599)</b>	<b>15,990</b>	<b>5,269</b>

**Account Balances as at 31 December 2020**

Assets	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	£	£
			2020	2019
<b>Bank Accounts</b>				
Deposit Account	-	17,577	17,577	17,560
Current Account	5,030	26,217	31,247	14,663
	<b>5,030</b>	<b>43,794</b>	<b>48,824</b>	<b>32,223</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>				
Loan to ENCA	-	5,357	5,357	5,968
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>5,030</b>	<b>49,151</b>	<b>54,181</b>	<b>38,191</b>
<b>Funds</b>				
<b>Restricted</b>				
LIS	3,830	-	3,830	1,517
Council	-	-	-	803
Awards For All	-	-	-	2,525
The King's Village GHANA	-	-	-	(448)
NG	1,200	-	1,200	-
<b>Unrestricted</b>		49,151		37,122
	<b>5,030</b>	<b>49,151</b>	<b>54,181</b>	<b>38,191</b>

Signed

Trustees

Chairman

Treasurer

John Fahy

Julian Bond

Date

9th September 2021

**Independent Examiners Report on the Accounts  
Eagles Nest Church Arnold (Reg No 1082849)  
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

**Report to the Trustees/Members**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out below

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

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

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities 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.



**Independent Examiner**

Date 31 August 2021

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