

SECOND CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, LONDON

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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CHARITY INFORMATION

Trustees	Francoise Andre Philip Wylie Amina Hassan
Treasurer	Eduardo Rubio
Clerk	Francoise Andre
Charitable Trust Number	1084322
Principal Address	104 Palace Garden Terrace London W8 4RT
Independent Examiner	Katz & Co (London) LLP Chartered Accountants 135 Notting Hill Gate London W11 3LB
Bankers	CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ

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THE TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020. The Trustees for this church are known in the by-laws as "The Board".

Constitutional information

Second Church of Christ, Scientist, London is a registered charitable trust number 1084322. It is a branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts. The church is constituted by the by-laws.

Objectives organisation and activities

The object of this church is to spread and maintain the teachings of Christian Science as found in the bible, *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, by Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, and to maintain the advancement of Christian Science in any manner which will be charitable at law and in particular for the purposes of Second Church of Christ, Scientist, London.

Review of Progress and Achievements

The church accounts included with this report show that taking one year with another there is a matching of receipts and payments, and the balance at the bank at the end of the year is sufficient to meet the foreseeable requirements.

Risk management

The trustees actively review the major risk which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining reserves at their current levels, combined with an annual review of the controls over key financial systems, will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks faced by the Charity and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate any significant risks.

Basis of preparation of the financial statements

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published on 16 July 2014.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

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

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales require the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b) observe the methods and principles in the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice
- c) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- d) state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.; and
- e) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102), the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Trustees known as The Board

Those who have served as members of the Board during the year and their period of service is shown below. Appointment of the Board and custodian trustees is made by election in accordance with the by-laws and the charity holds its AGM in July when a rotation of Trustees takes place in accordance with the by-laws.

The Board

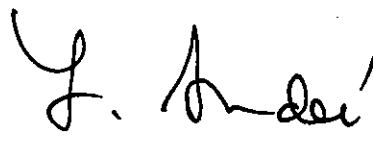
Francoise Andre
Philip Wylie
Amina Hassan

Approval

The report of the Trustees was approved by the board and signed on their behalf.

Date: 17. 10. 21

Chairman



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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

Of Second Church of Christ, Scientist, London

We report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 5 to 8.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner.

As the Trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act) does not apply and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- 1 examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act)
- 2 to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5) (b) of the Act.)
- 3 to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of the Examiner's Report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's report

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- a) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Act and
- b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and
- c) to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;

have not been met, to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Katz & Co (London) LLP

Chartered Accountants

135 Notting Hill Gate

London W11 3LB

Dated:

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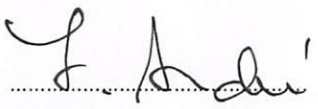
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	2020		2019
	£	£	£
Incoming resources			
Collections and Donations	34,439		3,289
	-		-
		34,439	3,289
Other Income			
Investment income	1,879		3,175
Furlough Grant	20,688		-
Rent received	205,943		268,380
		228,510	271,555
Total Income		262,949	274,844
Less: Expenses			
Light, heat & water rates		9,103	14,162
Insurance		4,857	4,649
Cleaning		15,824	16,847
Repairs & renewals - Building & Equipment		2,785	32,908
Equipment, Furniture & supplies		5,014	3,547
Organ Repairs and tuning		905	929
Property Management fees		540	-
Salaries & honoraria		56,281	67,162
Reading room expenses and literature		3,834	4,911
COP - Pro Rata		578	578
Clerk and Treasurer Consumables		905	3,320
Telephone & Internet		1,318	1,821
Advertising & promotion		808	864
Lecture and community expenses		193	10,419
Gardening expenses		1,704	3,329
Bank charges		63	100
Board expenses		45	178
Care expenses		-	27
Legal and Professional fees		1,475	1,728
Accountancy and Book keeping fees		2,676	2,546
Donations		-	8,449
		108,908	178,474
Surplus of Income / (Expenditure) for the year		154,041	96,370
Fund balance brought forward 1.1.20		1,189,869	1,093,499
Fund Balance Carried forward 31.12.20		1,343,910	1,189,869

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	2020 £	2019 £
Current Assets		
Other debtors	333	140
Cash at bank	1,057,746	923,171
Cash Reserve Fund	340,648	340,648
	<u>1,398,727</u>	<u>1,263,959</u>
Current Liabilities		
Other Creditors and Accruals	4,821	7,615
Deferred Income	49,996	66,475
	<u>54,817</u>	<u>74,090</u>
Net Current Assets	1,343,910	
	<u>1,343,910</u>	<u>1,189,869</u>
Represented by:		
Accumulated Funds	<u>1,343,910</u>	<u>1,189,869</u>

 Andre Francoise

Dated: 17.10.21

The financial statements were approved by the Board and signed on their behalf by:

The notes on page 7 and 8 form part of the financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Church's ability to continue as a going concern. Sufficient reserves are held to maintain the operating activities whilst future income from charitable operations is sought.

The trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The church having a gross income of more than £250,000, has prepared its accounts on the accruals concept and Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP).

(b) Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Policy

In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 a restatement of comparative items was considered. No restatement was required, as opening balances and net income and expenditure as reported under previous GAAP is the same as reported for comparatives in this years financial statements and accordingly no further reconciliation is provided.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- a the charity becomes entitled to the resources
- b the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources
- c the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

COVID-19

Covid-19 brought some challenges to the church during the year. Closure of the building to the public for the whole period meant that income from the Reading Room was much reduced (but possible through phone orders) and collections and donations were nil. However the church carried on by holding services via the Zoom platform.

Financial hardship was encountered by both tenants who, during the financial year, asked for rent rebates, their ability to carry on as normal being severely compromised. These rebate requests were honoured in the spirit of helping each other out during the crisis. The church now looks forward to a return to normality but it may take some time.