

**ANNUAL REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

ASH CHAPEL

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1090321

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1090321
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st April 2022
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	31st March 2023
TRUSTEES AT 31ST MARCH 2023	George Mullally Carol Buckmaster Lorna Edmonds (Resigned 31.02.2023)

The existing trustees appoint any new trustees following the provisions laid out in the organisation's governing instrument.

LEGAL STATUS	Unincorporated Charity
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Declaration of Trust Dated 15th November 2001
OBJECTS	The Advancement of the Christian faith and such other charitable objectives as the trustees shall from time to time decide
CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	Ash Chapel Chapel Wood Road Ash Sevenoaks TN15 7HX
PRIMARY BANKERS	Lloyds Bank 78 New Rd Gravesend DA11 0AR
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Lomax Pavey Independent Examiners Ltd Unit 2, Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham West Sussex PO18 8NF

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TRUSTEES REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Aims and Objectives

The Vision of Ash Chapel is to "Lift up the Name of Jesus" and all ministry is based on:

- 1 The Word of God [Bible]
- 2 The incarnation, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ
- 3 Healing of the Whole Person through Jesus

Achievements and Performance

Church Attendees

Our attendee numbers increased a little on average 25/35 people attend on a Sunday.

Pastoral

A programme was run for some church members who were going to university. We also provide emotional /spiritual support to members of our own fellowship through prayer/talking/listening style therapies. We have conducted a number of outreaches in the local shopping area [ongoing commitment]. Other Fellowships have used our building for training their youth.

Financial Review

Our total receipts for this financial year totalled approximately £38,000 of which our donations totalled £27,000 which were up on the previous year by £5,000.

The allocation ranged from regular Christian charities we support which are detail as a separate summary on our accounts. They are for Overseas and UK aid.

In addition, small interest free loans were provided to two church members to overcome an unexpected cost being a month's rent and repairing of a vehicle for a family.

There are no employed persons at this Chapel.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

Public Benefit

The Charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

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TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

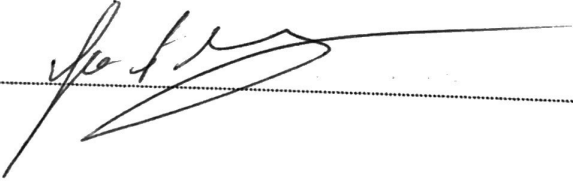
Trustees Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the trust and of the surplus of the trust for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the trust will continue in existence.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the trust. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

* Approved by the Trustees on 9/NOV/23 GEORGE MULLARNEY

* Signed on their behalf by 

* Signature: 

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/ members of Ash Chapel on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023 set out on pages 7 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities 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 procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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17th November 2023

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
RECEIPTS					
Donations & Legacies	2	38,979	-	38,979	40,347
TOTAL RECEIPTS		38,979	-	38,979	40,347
PAYMENTS					
Cost of Charitable Activities	3	39,035	-	39,035	33,451
TOTAL PAYMENTS		39,035	-	39,035	33,451
NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)		(56)	-	(56)	6,896
Total Funds Brought Forward		8,836	-	8,836	1,940
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		8,780	-	8,780	8,836

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as

The notes on pages 9 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

ASSETS	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-23 £	Total 31-Mar-22 £
Cash Funds:					
Cash at Bank and in Hand		8,780	-	8,780	8,836
Total Assets		8,780	-	8,780	8,836

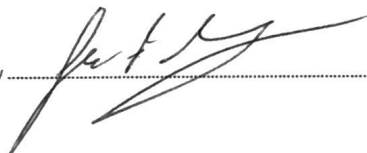
LIABILITIES

Independent Examiners		570	-	510	510
		570	-	510	510

TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial period which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities which are set out on pages 7 and 8.

☒ Approved by the Trustees on 9/NOV/23 GEORGE MULLALLY

☒ Signed on their behalf by 

☒ Signature: 

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments" basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements.

2. RECEIPTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
Donations & Legacies				
Gifts Tithes & Offerings	38,979	-	38,979	38,144
Gift Aid Tax Recovered	-	-	-	2,203
	38,979	-	38,979	40,347

3. PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
Cost of Charitable Activities				
Administration	145	-	145	129
Buildings/Grounds Maintenance	1,780	-	1,780	2,250
Gifts To Individuals	2,000	-	2,000	-
Gifts To Organisations	25,000	-	25,000	-
General Gifts	7,700	-	7,700	26,700
Independent Examiner's Fee	510	-	510	510
Insurance	-	-	-	526
Licenses and Subscriptions	233	-	233	631
Office and Sound Equipment	-	-	-	183
Evangelical Alliance	80	-	80	-
Sundry Expenses	113	-	113	637
Utility Costs	1,474	-	1,474	1,885
	39,035	-	39,035	33,451

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

4. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The Charity held no restricted funds during this or the previous financial period.

5. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial year. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or anyone connected with them.