



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

01 01 2023

To

Period end date

31 12 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

CRABTREE CHURCH TRUST

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1092748

Charity's principal address

CORRESPONDENT

91 CHESTERTON AVENUE

HARPENDEN

Postcode

AL5 5ST

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	John Lower	Correspondent		
2	Rachel Giles			
3	Denise Legg			
4	Stephen Morley			
5	Debbie Clark			
6	Alex White			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	DECLARATION OF TRUST DATED 28 MAY 2002
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	TRUST
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	APPOINTED BY EXISTING TRUSTEES

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs.

To provide relief to persons in need or hardship.

The continuation and development of Crabtree Church where members worship and seek to advance the Christian Faith.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Financial support of church missionaries in Malawi, Uganda, Luton, Harpenden and St Albans.

Little Fishes parent/carer toddler group provides a service for the local community has seen a growth in numbers this year.

The Oasis coffee and cake ministry now continues on a permanent basis with regular members attending for companionship. This ministry has grown steadily in numbers.

Outreach events to make contact with local families and children from local schools continue which brings the community into the premises and to meet church members.

The premises continued to be used by Bethany Church to further the Christian work in Harpenden.

Throughout the year, the Trust has sought to help those in financial need, keeping the premises open all year for use of the church hall by the Trussell Trust - St. Albans and District Foodbank to provide food for those locally who cannot afford it. The church has also directly provided food to those locally who are unable to use the foodbank for various reasons.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The main achievements of the Trust during the past year have been:

Financial support of church missionaries in Malawi, Uganda, Luton, Harpenden and St Albans.

Little Fishes parent/carer toddler group providing a service for the local community which has seen a growth in numbers this year.

The Oasis coffee and cake ministry now continues on a permanent basis with regular members attending for companionship. This ministry has grown steadily in numbers.

Outreach events to make contact with local families and children from local schools to bring the community into the premises and to meet church members was this year the "Easter Egg and Cake" event.

The premises continued to be used by Bethany Church to further the Christian work in Harpenden.

Throughout the year, the Trust has sought to help those in financial need, keeping the premises open all year for use of the church hall by the Trussell Trust - St. Albans and District Foodbank to provide food for those locally who cannot afford it. The church has also directly provided food to those locally who are unable to use the foodbank for various reasons.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are maintained in low risk deposit accounts.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

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Date



Charity Name Crabtree Church Trust	No (if any) 1092748
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1/1/2023	To	Period end date 12/31/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and voluntary receipts	53,287	-	-	53,287	76,720
Operating activities to generate funds	6,505	-	-	6,505	4,497
Investment income	4,520	-	-	4,520	2,082
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	64,312	-	-	64,312	83,299
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	64,312	-	-	64,312	83,299
A3 Payments					
Payments for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Payments - Grants & Donations	7,460	-	-	7,460	8,199
Charitable Payments - Activities	76,834	-	-	76,834	78,415
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	84,294	-	-	84,294	86,614
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	84,294	-	-	84,294	86,614
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 19,982	-	-	- 19,982	- 3,315
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	161,689	-	-	161,689	165,004
Cash funds this year end	141,707	-	-	141,707	161,689

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank accounts	141,697	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	141,697	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	Tax repayable re Gift Aid	474	-	-
	Rent deposits paid	1,992	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	PAYE	General		
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

On accounts for the
year ended

Set out on pages

Crabtree Church Trust		
31 December 2023	Charity no (if any)	1092748
1 to 2		

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:

Name:

	Date: 31/5/2024
D. K. M. G.	

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

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Give here brief details
of any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose.

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