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**Fresh Church is a working name of
Moorside Harvest Community Church**

**Annual Report & Accounts
to year end
31st March 2022**

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Chairman's (Pastor's) Report 2021/22:

As usual, I face this report somewhat concerned that human memory is fallible and I'm grateful that our Church Secretary provides me with notes setting out what happened in the relevant year.

Now that things are more or less back to normal, it is hard to believe that back in March / April 2021 we were still under covid restrictions which were not fully lifted until February 2022. While this created some inconveniences, we certainly didn't let them stop us from fulfilling our charitable objectives as continued to reach up to God in prayer and worship, reach in to build people up in their most holy faith, and reach out to the lost.

By December 2021 we were able to resume Fresh Kids, however, Janet D's resignation from this ministry meant that it had to go forward on a fortnightly basis, alternating with in-service childrens' addresses.

This period seemed to see a lot of people coming and going. Some memberships came to an end and, for a while, it seemed as though we had new faces almost every week. In the end this settled down and although not everyone stayed with us, some did, and we are grateful for God's sustaining faithfulness.

Once again we were able to provide Boxes of Hope for some families in the area; these, as always, were very well received. Just as important, this project provided a great focus for practical fellowship as so many from the church got involved in the preparation and delivery of the food parcels. Christine C did an amazing job of getting us organised for this!

Our links with the community were further strengthened by my joining the Sholver and Moorside Community Hub Committee which, in turn, led to Mary B, assisted by her team, leading a children's community Christmas party.

The festive season also provided us with the opportunity to invite people to celebrate the nativity at our carol service. We also had a time of fellowship around a New Year Brunch in January 2022.

It seems particularly important this year to thank everyone who persevered in fellowship.

I'm grateful to everyone who led worship, preached sermons, led Fresh Kids, carried out administration tasks and delivered childrens' addresses. Coffee was served, minutes were taken, notices given, boxes were delivered and tech was managed. People prayed and encouraged each other, with their precious fellowship, in any and every way.

Wonderful!

Terry Durose

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Moorside Harvest Community Church

On the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church'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 church 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.

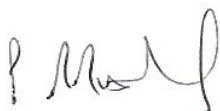
Independent examiner's statement

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
- the accounts do 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 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.

Signed:



Name: PHILIP MUSHING (F.C.C.A.), Chartered Certified Accountant

Address: Ogden & Partington, Chartered Certified Accountants,
Office 3, Falcon Business Centre, Victoria Street, Chadderton, Oldham, OL9 0HB.

Date: 22nd August 2022

Annual Financial Report for 2021/22:

MOORSIDE HARVEST COMMUNITY CHURCH

CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NUMBER: 1096125

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Offerings	26,346.35	27,569.09
Gift aid tax repayment	6,445.21	6,409.91
Oldham Council - use of building as a polling station	300.00	-
Bank interest	2.54	17.73
	<u>33,094.10</u>	<u>33,996.73</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Payroll	15,905.57	15,474.25
Church administration	2,003.77	1,859.06
Capital purchases	-	-
Gifts	419.99	240.00
Children & young people's work	74.94	-
Outreach - local	-	-
Outreach - non- local	200.00	-
Welfare payments	-	60.00
Transfer to Tithe Fund	3,579.04	3,398.81
Transfer to Building Management Fund	2,400.00	2,600.00
	<u>24,583.31</u>	<u>23,632.12</u>
Net receipts	8,510.79	10,364.61
Cash funds at 31st March 2021	17,688.26	7,323.65
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	<u>26,199.05</u>	<u>17,688.26</u>

MOORSIDE HARVEST COMMUNITY CHURCH

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - TITHE FUND

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Transfer from General Fund	<u>3,579.04</u>	<u>3,398.81</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Outreach - non- local	-	-
Donations	3,600.00	2,400.00
Transfer to Child Project	-	1,000.00
	<u>3,600.00</u>	<u>3,400.00</u>
Net (payments)	(20.96)	(1.19)
Cash funds at 31st March 2021	693.32	694.51
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	<u>672.36</u>	<u>693.32</u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - BUILDING MANAGEMENT FUND (DESIGNATED)

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
S.S.E. refund	-	131.53
Transfer from General Fund	2,400.00	2,600.00
	<u>2,400.00</u>	<u>2,731.53</u>
 <u>Payments</u>		
Church administration	1,628.24	2,461.29
	<u>1,628.24</u>	<u>2,461.29</u>
 Net receipts	771.76	270.24
Cash funds at 31st March 2021	368.62	98.38
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	<u>1,140.38</u>	<u>368.62</u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - CHILD PROJECT

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Receipts	2,500.00	2,353.00
Transfer from Tithe Fund	-	1,000.00
	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>3,353.00</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Payments	2,503.63	3,293.84
	<u>2,503.63</u>	<u>3,293.84</u>
Net (payments) / receipts	(3.63)	59.16
Cash funds at 31st March 2021	59.16	-
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	<u>55.53</u>	<u>59.16</u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - ACTS 435

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Receipts	355.00	810.00
	<u>355.00</u>	<u>810.00</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Payments	310.85	810.00
	<u>310.85</u>	<u>810.00</u>
Net receipts	44.15	-
Cash funds at 31st March 2021	-	-
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	<u>44.15</u>	<u>-</u>

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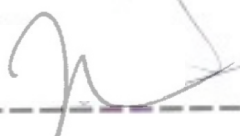
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st MARCH 2022

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
<u>Monetary Assets</u>		
General fund	26,199.05	17,688.26
Tithe fund	672.36	693.32
Child project	55.53	59.16
Acts 435	44.15	-
Building management fund (designated)	1,140.38	368.62
	<u>28,111.47</u>	<u>18,809.36</u>
Bank current account	7,546.44	10,746.87
Bank deposit account	20,565.03	8,062.49
	<u>28,111.47</u>	<u>18,809.36</u>
<u>Non-Monetary Assets</u>		
Equipment		
Property at cost - 105 Coleridge Road, Oldham	<u>30,023.80</u>	<u>30,023.80</u>

Signed on behalf of the trustees





Dated 2nd October 2022

Accounts Breakdown 2021/22:

<u>Income</u>		
Tithes & Offerings		£26,346.35
Gift Aid Repayment		£6,445.21
Bank Interest		£2.54
Polling Station room usage		£300.00
Acts 435		£355.00
Box of Hope		£2,500.00
Total Income		£35,949.10
<u>Expenditure</u> General Fund		
<i>Includes but not limited to:</i>	Insurance	£867.97
	Accountant	£270.00
	Property Maintenance	£473.00
	Data Developments	£150.00
	CCLI	£243.00
	Thirty One:Eight	£129.00
	Evangelical Alliance	£72.00
	Data Protection	£35.00
	Utilities	£1,155.24
	Web site/Domain name	£98.40
	Pandemic related expenditure	£95.98
Payroll Total		£15,905.57
Children and YP work		£74.94
Non Local outreach		£200.00
Gifts		£399.99
Welfare		£20.00
Tithe Payments Total		£3,600.00
Other		
	Box of Hope	£2,503.63
	Acts 435	£310.85

Minutes:

Fresh Church Annual General Meeting 6:00pm 3rd October 2021

The AGM began with a fellowship meal.

Members Present: Dave Butt, Mary Butt, Christine Cowling (Treasurer), Stephen Cowling, Terry Durose (Pastor), Janet Durose (Secretary), Rosemary Fullerd, Marlene Jackson, Ray Jackson, Beryl Laming, Stewart Laming (SL), Sue Laming (SueL).

Apologies: Karen Zehlin

Members not attending: Michael Erebor, Nosa Erebor, Carlos Hilderley

Non-members Present: Jean Stott

6:35pm: TD welcomed the members and opened the meeting in prayer.

Minutes from the AGM held on 04/10/2020

The meeting accepted minutes as an accurate record.

Proposed DB, Seconded SC. All in agreement.

Matters arising from the minutes

None

Finance Report

- CC pointed out that giving continues to increase.
- The Covid-19 lockdown in March 2020 had resulted in lowered costs.
- CC reminded the meeting that the church tithes on its income and gifts are given, from the tithe fund, to support other ministries. Tithe gifts for the year ending March 2021 included a regular gift to Manchester City Mission for its Groundbreakers Project and gifts to United Christian Broadcasters and Boaz Trust. The church also transferred £1,000 of the tithe fund to the Box of Hope fund.
- CC thanked everyone for their consistent giving.

The meeting unanimously agreed to pass the finance report. Proposed SL, Seconded DB

On the grounds that the Minutes and Finance Report had been accepted by the meeting, the Annual Report for 2020/2021 was passed.

The meeting thanked CC for her diligent work.

DB thanked the church for its continued support of the Criccieth Beach Mission.

Membership

Mark Davies

MD was unable to attend in person due to a Covid isolation requirement but had received a copy of the constitution which he confirmed he had read in a phone call with SL.

Interviewed by phone and recommended by SL & CC

Proposed SL Seconded CC

Unanimously agreed. (After the meeting SL contacted MD by phone to inform him of the church's decision)

MD will be welcomed into membership at the next convenient morning service.

Resignation

TD read a letter from R & Y De Sa dated 10th March 2021 in which they resigned their membership of Fresh Church. They graciously explained that they had felt led, by God, to attend a different church.

Suspension of Membership

The MHCC constitution allows the church meeting to 'suspend' the membership of members failing to break bread with the fellowship, for any reason, over a period of 12 months or if the members attendance has declined to the point where membership is no longer feasible.

There is concern that three members are currently eligible for suspension.

Minutes contd:

Discussion followed:

- The members under consideration were sent letters gently asking for clarification regarding their attendance at church and a reminder of how important it is for members to attend the AGM. There was no response to any of the letters.
- Suspended members are not counted for quoracy or entitled to vote at church meetings.
 - DB reminded the meeting that business meetings may have to be abandoned if quoracy is not reached at business meetings.
 - JD recollected her experience of decisions being overruled by members who were out of fellowship.
- Suspended members can be reinstated to full membership by a general meeting if fellowship is resumed and the criteria as set out in the MHCC Constitution are met.
- BL felt we should show leniency i.e. that we should give a period of grace before we suspend membership due to unprecedented circumstances.
- Unprecedented circumstances could include: periods of illness; isolation during pandemic; lockdowns; Sunday work; and watching online rather than attending in person.
- This issue highlights the realities of our fellowship responsibilities to each and to getting the business life of the church correct.

Conclusion:

Proposed by TD, seconded by DB (Majority agreed)

TD proposed that a letter be sent to each of the three members (none of whom were in attendance at this AGM) noting:

- The decline of regular attendance.
- The requirement for members to meet together to break bread.
- Our desire to resume fellowship with them.
- The acknowledgement of assumed work commitments, periods of illness, pandemic restrictions.
- That their membership had been discussed at the AGM.
- That we would value further discussion with themselves.
- In 2 of the 3 cases, a specific period of grace before suspension takes place in order to encourage resumption of fellowship.
- Acknowledgement of any fellowship, albeit irregular.
- The requirement to be interviewed before reinstatement to full membership.

Letters to - including grace period:

- CH - 6 months
- NE - 3 months
- ME - no period of grace needed but encouraged to resume more regular fellowship.

The letters should be ratified by the elders before sending. The grace period will begin from the date of the letter.

It was strongly agreed that there should be no pursuing of these members during the grace period. If they value our fellowship they will resume attendance.

TD & JD to compose the letter

Selection of Deacons

Stewart Laming (Buildings Officer) had decided not to stand for re-selection.

Janet Durose: Secretary (JD and TD left the meeting)

After a short discussion the meeting unanimously agreed that JD should continue to serve the church as a deacon for a term of 3 years.

Nominated by BL Seconded by CC

JD was thanked for her work as Secretary.

Ministry Reports

The following people gave brief verbal reports regarding their various ministries within Fresh Church; it should be noted that the notes below relate to 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021.

- SL - Building
 - Although the handrail had been vandalised and needed repair, other issues with vandalism were minor.

Minutes contd:

- Items such as guttering, shutters and pointing will need to be addressed.
- SL will continue to keep the grounds in order.
- The meeting thanked SL for his work as Buildings Officer and for his service on the diaconate.
- MB - Worship
 - MB read from Psalm 147
 - She noted how the pandemic had affected our worship; from not being able to meet together at all, through the recording of our services, graduating to having a 'lone voice' behind a screen to now being able to sing together (albeit with masks) and live streaming part of our service.
 - Having 2 worship groups has facilitated the introduction of new and different styles of songs.
 - MB expressed her gratitude for Beccy Laming's support and skilful playing, for DB's technical work and for JD, TD and SC who cover worship when she is unavailable.
 - MB was thanked for her work as Worship Leader.
- SueL - Fresh Kids
 - Fresh Kids had been unable to meet throughout the pandemic and attendance is very low and irregular.
 - JD has now resigned as a Fresh Kids leader due to work commitments and, with only 2 leaders, it is unsure what level of work could be resumed.
- BL - Compliance Officer
 - BL explained that although we are a small church we still have legal responsibilities to attend to regarding the business life of the church.
 - Policies, risk assessments etc. are reviewed at regular intervals.
 - BL noted that she and JD had tidied the notice boards with 'required' notices being placed on the kitchen notice board and information notices being placed on the boards at the 2 entrance points. We are working hard to keep the boards tidy, relevant and up to date.
 - BL asked that anyone wanting to place a notice on the boards speak to TD or JD first.

TD thanked all the ministry leaders for their work and noted that some policies were now under review and would be presented to the EC.

AOB

TD has noted a dwindling attendance at Christmas morning services. With this in mind, and the fact that Christmas Day is on a Saturday this year (which will mean two morning services within 2 days). TD asked if the members still wanted to hold a Christmas Day service. Most members were keen to continue this tradition. **The Elders will discuss this at their next meeting.**

7:55pm TD closed the meeting with a prayer of thanksgiving.

This is a true record of this meeting,

Signed



Dated 2nd October 2022

Legal and Administrative:

** indicates a change or insertion*

Charity Registration:

Charity Name: Moorside Harvest Community Church
Registration number: 1096125
Charity Commission for England and Wales
2nd Floor, 20 Kings Parade
Queens Dock
Liverpool. L4 3DQ

Place of Worship Certification:

Fresh Church, Coleridge Road was registered as a place of worship on 7th April 2014 by the General Register Office. Register number 83538

Governing Document:

Our governing document is our constitution, adopted on the 7th July 2002 and last amended on 13th October 2019.

Charity Trustees (Executive Committee):

Made up of Elders and Diaconate since inception

Eldership:

T Durose	Pastor
D Butt	
S Cowling	

Deacons*:

M Butt	
C Cowling	Treasurer
J Durose	Secretary
B Laming	

Bankers:

The Co-operative Bank
Kings Valley, Yew Street
Stockport, Cheshire
SK4 2JU

Legal and Administrative contd:

Auditor:	P Mushing F.C.C.A. Ogden & Partington 3 Falcon Enterprise Centre Victoria Street Chadderton, Oldham OL1 1RD
Inland Revenue: (Gift Aid)	Registration no. XR61289 IR (Charities) Bootle St John's House, Unit 361 Bootle, Merseyside L69 9BB
Insurance Broker:	Policy no. UK CHF 2144030 Hine Insurance Brokers 79-81 School Lane Didsbury M20 6WN
Internet Domain: Registered Domain Host	https://www.freshchurch.org.uk ninefootone 8 Winston Road Sheffield S11 8SB
Data Protection:	Registration no. Z7552285 Information Commissioner Wycliffe House, Water Lane Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5A
Copyright:	Registration no. 879340 Christian Copyright Licensing International (Europe) Ltd. PO Box 1339, Eastbourne E.Sussex BN21 1AD
Social Media	Facebook @MoorsideHarvest Instagram @oldhamfreshchurch

Legal and Administrative contd:

Child & Vulnerable Persons Protection Policy

Moorside Harvest Community Church operates a child and vulnerable persons protection policy, which includes the recording of personal information, and DBS checks on individuals where required. The DBS checks are administered through Thirtyone:Eight. Further details are available on request

Praying Hands

Moorside Harvest Community Church operates an emergency prayer service, known as Praying Hands where individuals can request prayer in the event of an emergency. Each church prayer warrior is immediately contacted and given details of the prayer request.

Fresh Church
meets at 10:30am every
Sunday morning
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