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

**Annual Report & Accounts
to year end
31st March 2023**

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Chairman's (Pastor's) Report 2022/23:

In some ways the 22/23 period was 'business as usual'.

Each week was marked by our regular Sunday worship and, most of the time, we were able to have our online prayer meeting. All the usual events which are found in the church diary; Easter, Pentecost, Harvest, and Christmas roll round with what feels like escalating regularity.

However, some events mark this period out as particularly memorable.

- In July 2022 we celebrated our 20th anniversary. 20 years of God's faithfulness to our little church fellowship.
- October 2022 also stands out in our memory for two reasons. Not only did Dave and Mary Butt leave Fresh Church to pursue church ministry at Glenbrook Chapel, but we also said goodbye to Rose Johnstone, who passed away suddenly.
- Rose's funeral was one of several community events that Fresh Church were involved in that year. Others included a memorial service for Lilly who had tragically lost her life in December 21. I was also privileged to speak at a tree planting event held as a memorial to the late Queen Elizabeth the Second.
- Early in 2023 we recruited and trained a team to manage the Audio-Visual systems during our Sunday morning services. This, as well as an 'all hands' church cleaning day, have helped bring about a subtle but important culture change. Fresh Church is becoming a worship environment where there is room for everyone to grow.
- In March 2023 we co-opted Rebecca Ashton onto the Diaconate, a post that would later be ratified by a General Members Meeting on 4th June 2023. We also hosted an 'Experience Easter' event for a local school, under the expert guidance of Manchester City Mission's Groundbreakers team. Again, it was a joy to see members of the congregation engaging in church life in new ways.

If ever there was a year of 'ups and downs', it was in our 22/23 period.

Through all this, our God remains the rock and foundation of our church fellowship.

Terry Durose

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Moorside Harvest Community Church: On the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023

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: 4th September 2023

MOORSIDE HARVEST COMMUNITY CHURCH

CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NUMBER: 1096125

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Offerings	24,193.47	26,346.35
Gift aid tax repayment	6,515.18	6,445.21
Oldham Council - use of building as a polling station	300.00	300.00
Bank interest	26.87	2.54
	<u>31,035.52</u>	<u>33,094.10</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Payroll	16,190.67	15,905.57
Church administration	3,428.94	2,003.77
Capital purchases	-	-
Gifts	635.00	419.99
Children & young people's work	36.75	74.94
Outreach - local	40.44	-
Outreach - non- local	-	200.00
Welfare payments	-	-
Transfer to Tithe Fund	2,897.47	3,579.04
Transfer to Building Management Fund	2,800.00	2,400.00
	<u>26,029.27</u>	<u>24,583.31</u>
Net receipts	5,006.25	8,510.79
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	26,199.05	17,688.26
Cash funds at 31st March 2023	<u>31,205.30</u>	<u>26,199.05</u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - TITHE FUND

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Transfer from General Fund	<u>2,897.47</u>	<u>3,579.04</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Outreach - non- local	-	-
Donations	3,525.00	3,600.00
Transfer to Child Project	-	-
	<u>3,525.00</u>	<u>3,600.00</u>
Net (payments)	(627.53)	(20.96)
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	672.36	693.32
Cash funds at 31st March 2023	<u>44.83</u>	<u>672.36</u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - BUILDING MANAGEMENT FUND (DESIGNATED)

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Offerings	10.00	-
Transfer from General Fund	2,800.00	2,400.00
	<u>2,810.00</u>	<u>2,400.00</u>
 <u>Payments</u>		
Church administration	4,491.02	1,628.24
	<u>4,491.02</u>	<u>1,628.24</u>
 Net (payments) / receipts	(1,681.02)	771.76
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	1,140.38	368.62
Cash funds at 31st March 2023	<u>(540.64)</u>	<u>1,140.38</u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - CHILD PROJECT

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Receipts	-	2,500.00
Transfer from Tithe Fund	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Payments	55.53	2,503.63
	<u>55.53</u>	<u>2,503.63</u>
 Net (payments)	 (55.53)	 (3.63)
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	55.53	59.16
Cash funds at 31st March 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>55.53</u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - ACTS 435

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>		
Receipts	300.00	355.00
	<u>300.00</u>	<u>355.00</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
Payments	240.00	310.85
	<u>240.00</u>	<u>310.85</u>
Net receipts	60.00	44.15
Cash funds at 31st March 2022	44.15	-
Cash funds at 31st March 2023	<u>104.15</u>	<u>44.15</u>

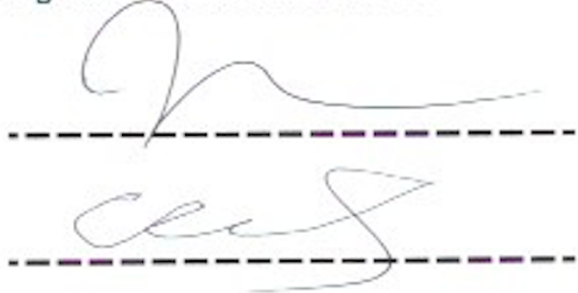
MOORSIDE HARVEST COMMUNITY CHURCH

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
<u>Monetary Assets</u>		
General fund	31,205.30	26,199.05
Tithe fund	44.83	672.36
Child project	-	55.53
Acts 435	104.15	44.15
Building management fund (designated)	(540.64)	1,140.38
	<u>30,813.64</u>	<u>28,111.47</u>
Bank current account	10,221.74	7,546.44
Bank deposit account	20,591.90	20,565.03
	<u>30,813.64</u>	<u>28,111.47</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



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Dated: 4th September 2023

Accounts Breakdown 2022/23:

Income		
Tithes & Offerings		£24,193.47
Gift Aid Repayment		£6,515.18
Bank Interest		26.87
Polling Station room usage		300.00
Acts 435		£300.00
Box of Hope		£0.00
Total Income		£31,335.52
Expenditure		
Includes but not limited to:	Insurance	£985.77
	Accountant	£270.00
	Property Maintenance	£1,752.90
	Data Developments	£150.00
	CCLI	£300.75
	Thirty One:Eight	£157.00
	Evangelical Alliance	£72.00
	Data Protection	£35.00
	Utilities	£2,514.12
	Web site/Domain name	£98.40
	Communion Glasses	£25.00
	PA Equipment	£1,121.32
	Kitchen Equipment	£267.18
	New Year Brunch	£54.02
	Sundry	£116.50
Payroll Total		£16,190.67
Children and YP work		£36.75
Local Outreach		£40.44
Gifts		£635.00
Welfare		£0.00
Tithe Payments Total		£3,525.00
Other	Box of Hope	£55.35
	Acts 435	£240.00

Minutes:

Fresh Church Annual General Meeting 6:00pm 2nd October 2022

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), Karen Zehlin.

Apologies: Rebecca Ashton

Members not attending: Michael Erebor, Donna Ash

Non-members Present: Jean Stott

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

Minutes from the AGM held on 03/10/2021

The meeting accepted minutes as an accurate record with the caveat that a misspelling be corrected before signing.

Proposed DB, Seconded SC. All in agreement.

Matters arising from the 03/10/2021 minutes

Suspension of membership discussed under 'Membership'.

Minutes from the AGM held on 15/5/2022

(Meeting to add 2 new members)

The meeting accepted minutes as an accurate record.

Proposed DB, Seconded KZ. All in agreement.

Matters arising from the 15/5/2022 minutes

DB asked if both new members had been welcomed into fellowship. This was confirmed.

Finance Report

- It was noted that income is slightly down on last year while expenditure is slightly up.
- Claiming gift aid (£6,445) is an important addition to our income. CC reminded the meeting that the GASDS (Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme) means that we can claim gift aid on any cash gifts of £30 or under which are placed in the collection box.
- CC thanked everyone for their consistent giving.
- Fresh Church tithes on all income. 10% of our income is passed on as support for other Christian Charities.
- DB thanked the church for its longstanding support for himself, MB and the work of the Criccieth Beach Mission.

The meeting unanimously agreed to pass the finance report.

Minutes contd:

On the grounds that the Minutes and Finance Report had been accepted by the meeting, the Annual Report for 2021/2022 was passed.

The meeting thanked CC & JD for their work.

Membership

Jean Stott (JS confirmed that she had received and read the Fresh Church Constitution)

Interviewed and recommended by BL & MB

Proposed SL Seconded CC

Unanimously agreed.

JS will be welcomed into membership at the morning service on 23/10/2022.

Suspension of Membership

With reference to the minutes dated 04/10/2021. TD explained that ME has been out of fellowship for over 12 months and is no longer a functional member.

The meeting agreed to suspend ME's membership.

(KZ offered, as a neighbour, to visit the family)

Resignation

DB & MB are moving on to take up a leadership role in another church. Their resignations will be effective from 23/10/2022. TD expressed thanks, both personally and on behalf of the church, for their many years of friendship and service. A 'sending' service and faith lunch will be held on the 23rd October.

Selection of Deacons

There were no nominations to the diaconate.

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 2021 to 31st March 2022

SueL - Fresh Kids

Fresh Kids are now able to meet every 2 weeks and have 3 regular attendees who are engaged and ask questions.

Fresh Church leaders are SueL, CC, BL and JS

TD noted that there are plans for the older children to meet on alternate weeks for a session arranged by RA.

Children's Addresses have been added to morning services when Fresh Kids does not take place.

MB - Worship

MB expressed her gratitude that worship is no longer restricted by screens and face masks.

MB thanked everyone who has served with her during her 25 years of leading worship whether it be within the music team itself or as the sound desk team.

TD noted that, on many occasions, MB had confirmed the message he was about to bring.

Minutes contd:

BL - Compliance Officer

Although some people may consider compliance unnecessary, we must all understand that there are several legal requirements surrounding the way we 'do' church.

BL thanked JD for her guidance and is grateful that RA has offered to support her in this role (RA works in Health and Safety).

BL asked that if anyone notices anything which may lead to a H&S issue problem, they should bring it to the attention of the leadership.

TD thanked all the ministry leaders for their work.

AOB

DB proposed a vote of thanks for TD in his role as our pastor. Everyone agreed.

TD expressed how incredibly grateful he is for the million and one things that the fellowship does to support and encourage each other. He said that fellowship is a transformational thing and that we should not take it for granted as we work together.

7:05pm DB was asked to close the meeting in prayer.

This is a true record of this meeting,

Signed

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Dated 8th October 2023

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
S Cowling	

Deacons*:

C Cowling	Treasurer
J Durose	Secretary
B Laming	
R Ashton	

Bankers:

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

Auditor:

P Mushing F.C.C.A.
Ogden & Partington
3 Falcon Enterprise Centre
Victoria Street
Chadderton, Oldham
OL1 1RD

Legal and Administrative contd:

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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.

Notes

Fresh Church meets at 10:30am every
Sunday morning
at
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