

Potters House Christian Centre

Northampton

Year Ended 31 May 2023

Charity No: 1096465

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Trustees' Annual Report

For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

Reference and administration details

Charity Number	1096465
Principle Address	695 Obelsik Rise, Northampton, NN2 8TG

Names of charity trustees who manage the Charity

Ps Michael Belnavis

Ps Paul King

Ps. Philip Azille

Mr Alexander West

Structure Governance and management

Governing Document

Constitution dated 2nd December 2002 and supplemental trust deed of 12 March 2003.

Charity's Trusts

The charity is governed by Constitution and the main objectives are the furtherance of the Christian Faith through worship. In order to do these regular activities are carried out and invitations given out to the public. Finance is raised purely from members' contributions. The day to day running of the church is delegated by the Trustees to the pastor.

Investment Powers

The Constitution authorises the trustees to make and hold investments using general funds of the charity, but no such investments are presently held.

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Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

Statement of Trustees responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which 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 1993. 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.

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable & prudent
3. State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
4. Prepare the financial statements on an ongoing concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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Objectives and activities

Objects of Charity

The Charity exists to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ and to teach people the bible. All our activities reflect these core goals. The Church arranges or participates in a number of activities to this end, namely Bible Conferences, Marriage Seminars, Men's Discipleships, Revival Meetings with visiting preachers, Tent Crusades (home and abroad).

A. Church Growth

Over the year we have seen new people added to our membership and also we have also had a growth in the already present saints which has facilitated the formation of new ministries and activities which enhance the reach of our church/charity. Our regular worship meeting numbers have increased from last year. At the beginning of the year we delegated new leaders for various ministries so as to support the care of our new guests and other challenges we face on a day to day/week to week basis. We attribute the growth to our membership to our relentless resolve to outreach programs where we actively reach the community in which we live. We have regular, weekly community engaging events, such as outreaches, dramas and concerts.

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Summary of main activities in relation to these objects

B. Evangelism

As part of our evangelistic efforts this year we have hosted dramas presentations and concerts. We also had at least 1 concert each month and 2 each month during the summer and they were well responded to. We have also noted that our open-air preaching has also been productive.

We sent several Impact teams to other churches nationally to help them in their evangelistic efforts. We also played a great part in our goal to reach our world through world evangelism programs. We were able support our Mother church, Walthamstow where appeals were given to support missionary works around the globe.

C. Revivals

We were also able to host some local as well as itinerate speakers from countries abroad. With each series of meetings which we had with them, we advertised them the event at least 4 weeks in advance and we saw many people from our community come and were greatly motivated.

D. Volunteer Hours

The thrust of the Northampton Church is largely down to the continual Commitment, Conviction and Concern of its members. Week in and week out, they faithfully give up their evenings and Saturday to help reach our community. We estimate that our members have donated over 150 volunteer hours in various community projects.

Financial review

The Trustees are looking to New Year for a better financial year though they are very pleased with the growth they saw in year 22-23

Policy on reserves

The charity has no reserve policy. Restricted funds are used up when raised.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Ps Phil Azille
Trustee

Date:

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

To the Trustees of

Potters House Christian Centre Northampton

For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

Charity number 1096465

Set out on Pages 5 to 7

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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 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 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 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 trustees have not met the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr Rohan Ruddock FCCA

Ruddocks and Co- Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date:

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Statement of receipts and payments

For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

				2023	2022
	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	Total £
Receipts					
All Church Offerings		126,330	0	126,330	135,779
Special offerings and pledges		0	22,440	22,440	28,549
Tax recovered on covenants		19,306	0	19,306	45,235
Building fund		0	52,009	52,009	41,283
Total Receipts		145,637	74,449	220,086	250,846
Expenditure					
Costs of activities in furtherance of the objects of the charity	1a	193,337	24,340	217,677	190,364
Fundraising and publicity	1b	3,212	0	3,212	3,160
Total resources expended		196,549	24,340	220,889	193,525
Net incoming resources for the year before transfers		-50,912	50,109	-803	57,322
Net incoming resources and movement in funds		-50,912	50,109	-803	57,322
Total funds brought forward		56,575	45,333	101,909	44,587
Total Funds carried forward		5,663	95,443	101,105	101,909

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Statement of assets and Liabilities

For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash funds		
Current Account	97,483	94,619
Savings 1	3,623	7,289
	<u>101,105</u>	<u>101,909</u>
Represented by		
General Fund	5,663	56,575
Restricted fund	95,442	45,333
	<u>101,105</u>	<u>101,909</u>
Assets Retained for the Charities own use:		
Equipment	59,766	55,994
	<u>59,766</u>	<u>55,994</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Examiner's fee	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Trustees Responsibilities in relation to financial Statements

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, 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 page 5 and 6.

Approved by the trustees onand

Signed on their behalf by Ps Phil Azille

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Notes to the accounts

For the Year Ended 31 May 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.

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total this	Total last
	<u>funds</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
<u>Receipts</u>			<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<i>Donations</i>	£	£	£	£
All Church Offerings	126,330	0	126,330	135,779
Special Offerings and pledges	0	22,440	22,440	28,549
<i>Other</i>	0	0	0	0
Tax recovered on covenants	19,306		19,306	45,235
Building fund	0	52,009	52,009	41,283
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>145,637</u>	<u>74,449</u>	<u>220,086</u>	<u>250,846</u>

a. Costs of activities in furtherance of the objects of the charity

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
	£	£	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fellowship tithe	15,797	0	15,797	12,743
Building rent and rates	35,789	0	35,789	34,104
Building repairs and Maintenance	1,774	0	1,774	2,562
Equipment purchases	3,772	0	3,772	6,468
Utilities	11,581	0	11,581	9,315
Conference and seminars, World evangelism	32,385	5550	37,935	35,469
Visiting speaker/Love offerings	0	18,790	18,790	16,269
Revival expenses	4,054	0	4,054	3,725
Youth group	3,234	0	3,234	1,978
Travel expenses/Impact teams	21,110	0	21,110	6,607
Local Outreach, Fellowship costs & new church support	7,367	0	7,367	6,151
Hospitality	1,889	0	1,889	2,669
Books and Periodicals	84	0	84	369
Pastor's compensation and housing allowance	30,583	0	30,583	27,717

Benevolence	1,211	0	1,211	2,110
Motor vehicle expenses	3,600	0	3,600	3,204
Accountancy fees	472	0	472	385
Legal and professional fees	3,139	0	3,139	4,110
Insurance	6,347	0	6,347	4,831
Sundry expenses	506	0	506	500
Nursey & Cleaning	1,163	0	1,163	1,478
Admin wages	2,506	0	2,506	2,691
Equipment Running Cost	175	0	175	110
Pension Cost	4,800	0	4,800	4,800
	<u>193,337</u>	<u>24,340</u>	<u>217,677</u>	<u>190,364</u>

b. Fundraising and publicity

Stationery and Postage	77	0	77	84
Telephone	1,994	0	1,994	1,746
Printing, Postage & Advertising	1,140	0	1,140	1,330
	<u>3,212</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,212</u>	<u>3,160</u>

Note 3 - Restricted Funds

Restricted funds received and spent during the year are detailed below

Purpose	Balance 01.06.22 £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Balance 31.05.23 £
Visiting speakers	4,050	16,890	18,790	2,150
Conference and seminars, World evangelism	0	5,550	5,550	0
Building fund	41,283	52,009	0	93,292
Total Restricted funds	<u>45,333</u>	<u>74,449</u>	<u>24,340</u>	<u>95,442</u>

Note 4 - Trustees

No Trustees received remuneration during the year except for Pastor Philip Azille

No transactions were undertaken by (or on behalf of) the charity in which a trustee or connected person has a material interest.