

THAMES VALLEY CHURCHES OF CHRIST

England & Wales - Charity number 1099382

Details

Other names TVCOC

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [04767513](#)

Registered 2003-09-11

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION AND THE RELIEF OF POVERTY IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ELSEWHERE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

Activities: The advancement of Christian Religion and the relief of poverty in the United Kingdom and elsewhere throughout the world. Thames Valley Churches of Christ aims and continues to facilitate the worship of God and to promote the everyday application of Christs teaching.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNITED KINGDOM AND ELSEWHERE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD
- India
- Lebanon
- Nepal
- Zambia
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£393,751	£357,295	-	-
2024-03-31	£272,654	£317,505	-	-
2022-12-31	£245,675	£259,563	-	-
2021-12-31	£240,071	£251,652	-	-
2020-12-31	£224,514	£180,079	-	-

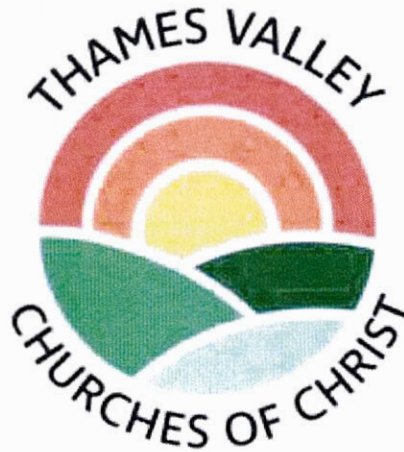
Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JASMINDER SINGH MANKOO	Chair	
Alexander Michael Clegg		2026-03-11
CHRISTOPHER LAWRENCE BIRTLES		
Fabian Mucheng Ying		2026-03-11
Jasmine Susan Perera		2026-03-11

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Accounts



Thames Valley Churches of Christ
Trustees' Reports & Accounts
Financial Year Ending 31/03/2025

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name: Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Charity Number: 1099382

Company Number: 04767513

Charity Address: 137 Deepcut Bridge Road
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Camberley
Surrey
GU16 6SD

Trustees: Dr Jasminder Mankoo
Mr Christopher Birtles

Key Management Personnel: Dennis Obongonyinge
Company Secretary/Administrator

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Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Trustees' report for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees of Thames Valley Churches of Christ present their annual report and the independently examined financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

STRUCTURE. GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Thames Valley Churches of Christ is a company limited by guarantee (Company Number 4767513). It is also a registered charity (Charity Number 1099382). Both registrations are in England and Wales. The organisation's registered address is,

137 Deepcut Bridge Road, Deepcut, Camberley, surrey, GU16 6SD

Because of its ' dual status as a company and a charity, the same people serve as its company Directors and charity Trustees. A list of those serving is given on page l. In this document, the term "Trustee" is used, but this should also be taken to imply the role of "Director". Trustees' meetings are held face to face or virtually at least four times per annum.

Trustees are not remunerated for their duties (other than necessary expenses) and hold no beneficial interest or shares in the company. The charity has a Trustee Indemnity Insurance policy.

The day-to-day administration of the charity is delegated to the "company secretary". The day to day "spiritual" leadership and guidance of the charity is delegated to "the ministry leadership team, led by a men's and women's ministry leader".

Thames Valley Churches of Christ maintains strong connections with other churches in the International Churches of Christ family, both in the UK and overseas. Thames Valley Churches of Christ also has connections with a benevolent charity called HOPE *worldwide* whose UK projects include work with the homeless and has links to international programmes through similarly named entities around the world.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees have complied with the duty set out in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission. All Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefit from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in notes to the accounts.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of Thames Valley Churches of Christ are defined in its Articles of Association as follows:

"the advancement of the Christian religion and the relief of poverty in the United Kingdom and elsewhere throughout the world"

The main ways in which Thames Valley Churches of Christ accomplishes its objects are through:

- adult ministry (this includes prayer, teaching, preaching, spiritual counselling and evangelism)
- youth and children's ministry
- assistance to the needy and the sick

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Prayer, teaching, counselling and evangelism

Thames Valley Churches of Christ aim to facilitate the worship of God and to promote the everyday application of Christ's teachings. The charity continues to focus on small groups in the counties of Surrey, Hants, Berkshire, Dorset and Buckinghamshire. All the groups meet frequently to pray and worship together and to receive biblical teaching. The charity employs fulltime ministry workers and also uses volunteer teachers. It also continued to use the services of a teaching and worship leader on a consultancy (self-employed) contract. With the help and support of members of the congregations the Sunday worship services, and mid-week meetings are open to members of the wider community and visitors are welcome. Many teaching materials are placed on church websites and various social media channels free to the public. All activities aim to foster a strong community spirit within the local congregations and to develop a supportive and encouraging environment for all members of this community. One way that our member churches aim to support families and youth is by providing teaching and assistance with marriage and parenting issues. Our churches support overseas missions in similar work (See Note 5). All these activities aim to foster and promote the everyday application of Christ's teachings.

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Youth and Children's ministry

As in previous years the charity has put resources into building an effective youth ministry for families within the congregations and their surrounding neighbourhoods. All youth and children's activities are organised with the safety and security of the children at its heart. The charity has subscribed to the services of the Churches Child Protection Advisory Service (now Thirtyone:eight) who provide an invaluable service in supporting this work. Weekly classes this year were focused on creating an encouraging environment in which children can build an understanding of God and grow in their confidence and self-esteem and develop an appreciation of the relevance and usefulness of Christ in their everyday lives. The children are encouraged to invite their friends and family along to these events.

Assisting the Needy and the Sick

As in previous years the charity aims to meet the local needs among its members and in the local community. The Charity strives to imitate Jesus concern for those in need by supporting and partnering with HOPE Worldwide (a UK registered charity). This year the charity did not provide any new financial support but continued to monitor all the projects supported in previous years through HOPE Worldwide in India, Nepal, Lebanon and Croatia. The church however continued to support the needy within the church and its local communities.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE IN THE YEAR

This year two of our oldest ministry staff retired due to health reasons. The church took a special collection for their severance, as a thank you for their more than 2 decades of service. The church continues to grow and spread in small groups. As in previous years the youth ministry had a very successful summer camp in Isla of Wight. The youth ministry continued to engage and inspire young people from within the church and the local community by using online resources, day trips and weekend activities. The church continues to focus on building a strong young families and young professionals ministry. The church also had a great summer programme with an outdoor service in the summer of 2024 at "Dinton Pastures" in Wokingham.

Leaders continue to rise up in the small groups and locations and a wealth of talent that is needed for the church to continue to thrive is very encouraging.

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

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Financial Review

In overseeing the finances and administration of the charity, the Trustees wish to ensure that it complies with all relevant legislation and regulations. However, they also seek to apply a high standard of self-regulation, as they seek to imitate the standard set in the Bible by the Apostle Paul:

"We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of men." 2 Cor 8:20-21,

To ensure high standards, the trustees:

- set out the policies and procedures under which the organisation operates.
- undertaken to periodically review policies and procedures to ensure that they are fit for purpose and are being implemented effectively.

The Trustees do not believe the charity is involved in risky activity. All necessary employers and public liability insurance policies are held and under constant review. The organisation has taken on more costs as we prepare for transition in leadership but the trustees believe the charity is in good financial health as at 31 March 2025.

During the twelve-month period ending 31 March 2025, total income amounted to £393,751 (2024: £272,654). This included donations of £389,376 (2024: £240,499) for unrestricted purposes. Restricted donations for Missions and Benevolence amounted to £4,375 (2024: £32,155). Expenditure totaled £357,295 (2024: £317,505), which represented the operating costs of running the organisation, further disclosed in Notes 1- 9 to these accounts. The accumulated funds of £59,931 as at 31 March 2025 [2024: £23,475]

PRINCIPLA RISKS

The Trustees periodically review and update the organisation's risk register. Three headline risks concern safeguarding, the development of future leaders, and maintaining the goodwill of church members. These risks and a summary of our mitigation plans are described as follows:

Safeguarding the well-being of children and vulnerable adults in church care: the Trustees want to have (and be seen to have) the highest standards in child protection. We are informed by advice from Thirtyone:eight (formerly Churches Child Protection

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- Advisory Service). All staff are required to attend suitable training (both on appointment and periodically thereafter), and we are expanding the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks to include all volunteers regularly involved in such activities.
- **Future leaders and ministry staff:** the Trustees recognise that there is a continued need to train young leaders to continue the work of the charity. To help address this challenge and ensure we raise successors for the current generation of leaders and staff we have continued to invest in the Campus and Young Professional Ministries to attract and train future leaders.
- **Trust and goodwill of church members:** the financial and operational continuity of the charity is intrinsically tied to the continued trust and goodwill of the church members towards the charity, its leadership and its effectiveness in carrying out its purpose. We seek to protect and strengthen that goodwill through upholding the expectation of wholehearted participation in the life of the church by all its members, and a healthy engagement with church leadership and trustees.

FUTURE PLANS

The Trustees and Leadership Groups of Thames Valley Churches of Christ continue to focus on growing our churches with a particular emphasis on:

- Encouraging your members to engage and take leadership roles as they will become the church leaders of the future
- Strengthening our location groups through closer ties and relationships.
- Recruit new members to the board of trustees and strengthen all governance, oversight and compliance.
- Increase the engagement between members, trustees and leadership across the church to promote transparency and trust.

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CONCLUSION

This report has demonstrated that Thames Valley Churches of Christ is accomplishing its objectives to spread the message of Jesus Christ, and to help those affected by poverty and sickness. In so doing, it is bringing benefits to wider society through its activities. The organisation is in a sound financial position and intends to build on its work in the coming years.

Approved by the Trustees, and signed on their behalf on 24 April 2026 by:

Signature

Christopher Birtles (Trustee)

Signature



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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 March 2025

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose within reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Trustees 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.

In accordance with company law, as the company's Directors, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and
- as the Directors of the company we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Trustees, and signed on their behalf on 24 April 2026 by:

Signature

Christopher Birtles (Trustee)

Signature



Independent Examiners Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Thames Valley Churches of Christ ('the charity') for the year ended 31/03/2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Darren Warren FMAAT

Darren Warren

Date 24th April 2026

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 March 2025.

Details

Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Prior year funds £
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Incoming resources

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Donations	389,330	4,375	393,705	272,575
Interest Income	46	-	46	79
TOTAL INCOME	389,376	4,375	393,751	272,654

Charitable activities

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Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counseling.	332,835	-	332,835	243,451
Kingdom kids & youth ministry	13,830		13,830	10,751
Benevolence & missions	1,340	9,290	10,630	63,286
TOTAL EXPENSES	348,005	9,290	357,295	317,488

Net income/(expenditure)

	41,371	(4,915)	36,456	(44,834)
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Total funds brought forward as at 1 April 2024

	4,019	19,455	23,475	68,309
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Total funds carried forward as at 31 March 2025

	45,390	14,540	59,931	23,475
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There were no recognised gains and losses for the year other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities above. All activities of the charity were derived from continuing activities.

Balance Sheet

As at end of year 31 March 2025.

Details	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
Current assets					
Debtors	7	12,484	10,300	22,784	19,946
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 24)		53,971	4,240	58,212	23,453
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		66,456	14,540	80,996	43,399
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	21,065	-	21,065	19,925
NET CURRENT ASSETS		45,390	14,540	59,931	23,475
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		45,390	14,540	59,931	23,475
TOTAL NET ASSETS		45,390	14,540	59,931	23,475
Funds of the Charity					
Restricted income funds	9		14,540	14,540	19,455
Unrestricted funds	9	45,390		45,390	4,019
TOTAL FUNDS		45,390	14,540	59,931	23,475

The entity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.


The members have not required the entity to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. However, an independent examination is required in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011.

- The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.
- These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Trustees, and signed on their behalf on 24 April 2026 by

Signature

Christopher Birtles (Trustee)

Signature


Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to Financial Statements -year to 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of Preparation

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Charities Act 2011
- and with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SoRP) 2026
- and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)

Going Concern

The trustees have considered cash flow estimates, the reserve balances and the operating environment for the twelve months from the date of these accounts and have concluded that the charity is a going concern.

Fund Accounting

The charity maintains various types of funds as follows:

Unrestricted fund

This represents unrestricted income which is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objectives of the charity. Such funds may be held to finance both working capital and capital investment. The charity at present has no designated funds.

Restricted fund – HOPE Worldwide Projects

This represents donations which are given by the donors to support the charity's projects with HOPE WW Nepal and HOPE WW India Projects and are restricted to this use.

Restricted fund – Benevolence

This represents donations which are given by the donors for benevolence work within the church and local communities and are restricted to this use.

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Notes to Financial Statements -year to 31 March 2025 (continued)

Incoming Resources (Donations)

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Resources Expended

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis when a liability is incurred. Expenditure include any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.
- Expenditure on charitable activities comprise those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- All costs are allocated between expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Costs relating to a activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

Governance Costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Volunteers

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements. Further details of the contribution made by volunteers can be found in the Trustees' report.

Tangible Fixed Assets

The charity acquired no large assets during the year. Fixed assets that cost less than £1,000 are written off in the year in the statement of financial activities.

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Notes to Financial Statements -year to 31 March 2025 (continued)

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date because of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for any future charitable activity it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

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Pensions

The charity makes contributions of 3% of gross salaries to employee's personal pension schemes. Contributions are made on behalf of all qualifying employees. All contributions during the period were accrued and charged to the Statement of Financial Activities for the year.

Taxation

VAT

The charity is exempt from VAT under HMRC registration threshold.

Income taxes

The charity's activities are exempt from taxation under Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1998

Charity commitments

Charitable commitments which are legally binding on the Trustees are accounted for as expenditure in the Statement of financial Activities. Where the promise of financial support is not binding on the Trustees, such intentions are accounted for by a transfer to a designated reserve. Activities that are to be wholly financed from future income do not form part of such designation and are disclosed in a note to the accounts.

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Notes to Financial Statements -year to 31 March 2025 (continued)

Note 3: Analysis of income

Analysis

	This year			Last year		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Total funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	325,815	-	325,815	240,420	32,155	272,575
Donations (Michael Fadeyin)	-	3,500	3,500	-	-	-
Gift Aid Claimed	63,515	875	64,390	-	-	-
Total donations and legacies:	389,330	4,375	393,705	240,420	32,155	272,575
Income from investments:						
Interest Received	46	-	46	79	-	79
Total income from investments:	46	-	46	79	-	79
TOTAL INCOME	389,376	4,375	393,751	240,499	32,155	272,654

Note 3: Analysis of expenditure

Analysis

	This year			Last year		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Total funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activities:						
Benevolence & Missions	1,340	9,290	10,630	266	63,020	63,286
Kingdom Kids & Youth Ministry	13,830	-	13,830	10,751	-	10,751
Preaching, Teaching, Evangelism &	332,835		332,835	243,473	-	243,473
Total charitable activities	348,005	9,290	357,295	254,490	63,020	317,510
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	348,005	9,290	357,295	254,490	63,020	317,510

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Notes to Financial Statements -year to 31 March 2025 (continued)

Note 4: Support & governance costs

Analysis	This year				Last Year
	Preaching, Teaching, Evangelism & Counseling £	Kingdom Kids & Youth Ministry £	Benevolence & Missions £	Total £	Total £
Support & governance costs					
Insurance	378		-	378	336
Bank & card charges	5,355		-	5,355	4,115
IT & Software costs	6,356			6,356	1,356
Website & promotions	2,764			2,764	6,675
Independent Examination					1,356
Accounts & administrative	19,350	1,029		20,379	15,864
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	34,202	1,029	-	35,231	29,702

Note 5: Employee costs

Analysis	2025	2024
	Total £	Total £
Gross wages & salaries	125,521	106,871
Employee's national insurance	7,653	5,773
Employers pension contributions	4,185	5,625
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	137,359	118,269

- No members of staff earned more than £60,000 during the year 31 March 2025 or in the previous year.
- The average number of employees in the year was 3 (2024 it was 4)

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Notes to Financial Statements -year to 31 March 2025 (continued)

Note 6: Severance payments to retiring staff

Analysis	2025	2024
	Total £	Total £
Severance payments	63,500	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	63,500	-

Two long term employees retired for health reasons. More is explained in the "trustees's report".

Note 7: Debtors and prepayments

Details	This year	Last year
	£	£
Gift Aid Recoverable	3,073	2,161
Prepayments and accrued income		-
Other debtors	13,519	17,785
TOTAL DEBTORS	16,592	19,946

Note 8: Creditors and accruals

Details	This year	Last year
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	12,375	10,489
Taxation and social security	3,441	6,254
Other creditors	5,249	3,182
TOTAL CREDITORS	21,065	19,925

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Notes to Financial Statements -year to 31 March 2025 (continued)

Note 9: Charity funds

Fund names	Purpose and Restrictions	Balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balances carried forward £
2024 Special Fund	<i>Special collection severance payments and replenish reserves</i>		120,039.83	(65,252.91)		54,786.92
Benevolence Fund	<i>Fund for Benevolent Activities of the Church</i>	15,627.00		(4,915.00)	3,829.00	14,541.00
General Fund	<i>General Fund for Church unrestricted activities</i>	4,019.22	269,336.15	(282,751.99)		(9,396.62)
Michael Fadeyin Fund	<i>Fund for the support of post graduate student</i>		4,375.00	(4,375.00)		0.00
Special HOPE Fund	<i>Fund to be used for our HOPE WW supported activities</i>	3,829			(3,829.00)	-
TOTAL FUNDS		23,475	393,751	(357,294.90)	-	59,931

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England & Wales - Charity number 1099382

Accounts

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(A company limited by guarantee)

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**TRUSTEESREPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR 15 MONTHS PERIOD ENDED
31 MARCH 2024**

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

TRUSTEES

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Mr. Christopher Birtles

MINISTERS

Mr. Timothy Dannatt
Mrs. Siobhan Dannatt

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Dennis Obongonyinge ACMA

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LEGAL STATUS

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Thames Valley Churches of Christ

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Mr Christopher Birtles

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Independent Examiners Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Thames Valley Churches of Christ.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Thames Valley Churches of Christ for 15 months to 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Johanna Tebbs
(Accountant)
31st January 2025

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 March 2024

		2024	2024	2024	2024	2022
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects Funds	Restricted Benevolence funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Notes	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:						
Donations	2	240,499	32,155		272,654	245,675
Total Income		240,499	32,155		272,654	245,675
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	3	243,736			243,736	182,493
Kingdom kids & youth ministry	3	10,750			10,750	14,936
Benevolence & Missions	3		43,291	19,729	63,019	62,134
Total expenditure		254,846	43,291	19,729	317,505	259,563
Net income / (Expenditure)		(13,987)	(11,136)	(19,729)	(44,851)	(13,888)
Balances brought forward						
at 1 January 2023		17,988	14,965	35,356	68,307	82,195
Balances carried forward						
at 31 March 2024		4,002	3,829	15,627	23,458	68,307

There were no recognised gains and losses for the year other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities. All activities of the charity were derived from continuing activities.

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets for use by the charity			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	19,946	58,777
Cash at bank and in hand		23,388	75,268
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		134,045	134,046
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year			
	6	19,876	65,737
Net Current Assets			
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		23,458	68,309
NET ASSETS			
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		23,458	68,309
FUNDS			
Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects	7	3,829	14,965
Restricted Benevolence	7	15,627	35,356
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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Trustees in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. They are drawn up on the historical accounting basis. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

b) Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when the conditions for receipt have been met and there is reasonable assurance of receipt and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Where a claim for repayment of income tax has or will be made, such income is grossed up for the tax recoverable.

The following specific policies are applied to categories of income:

Donations

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Donations to which the charity is entitled but which have not been received by the year end are included in income in the Statement of Financial Activities and shown as debtors in the balance sheet.

Tax reclaimed on monies donated under the Gift Aid scheme

Income under this category is recognised in the financial statements on the date that the underlying donation is received by the charity, where the tax reclaim is made within three months of the end of the financial year.

HOPE worldwide UK

Collections are often taken up on the Sunday services of the charity on behalf of HOPE worldwide UK to support the work of HOPE worldwide UK and other HOPE worldwide affiliates around the world. These amounts are not included in the accounts of this charity.

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

c) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis when a liability is incurred. Expenditure include any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Expenditure on **charitable activities** comprise those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

All costs are allocated between expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Costs relating to a activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

d) Volunteers

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements. Further details of the contribution made by volunteers can be found in the Trustees' report.

e) Fund accounting

The charity maintains various types of funds as follows:

Unrestricted fund

This represents unrestricted income which is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objectives of the charity. Such funds may be held to finance both working capital and capital investment. The charity at present has no designated funds.

Restricted fund – HOPE Worldwide Projects

This represents donations which are given by the donors for work with Hope Nepal and India Projects and are restricted to this use.

Restricted fund – Benevolence

This represents donations which are given by the donors for benevolence work within the church and local communities and are restricted to this use.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

The charity acquired no large assets during the year. Fixed assets that cost less than £1,000 are written off in the year in the statement of financial activities.

h) Pension costs

The charity operates a defined contribution scheme through a registered company of investment specialists. Contributions are made on behalf of all qualifying employees who have elected to join the scheme. All required contributions during the period were accrued in accordance with the scheme's rules and charged to the Statement of Financial Activities for the year.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

i) VAT

The charity is exempt from VAT under HMRC registration threshold.

j) Charitable commitments

Charitable commitments which are legally binding on the Trustees are accounted for as expenditure in the Statement of financial Activities. Where the promise of financial support is not binding on the Trustees, such intentions are accounted for by a transfer to a designated reserve. Activities that are to be wholly financed from future income do not form part of such designation and are disclosed in a note to the accounts.

2 Donations

Donations represent restricted and unrestricted income donated by members of the church and visitors at midweek and Sunday meetings of the charity in its various locations and by standing order

Donations	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
2022	184,912	60,763	245,675
2024	240,499	32,155	272,654

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Staff	Support	Direct	2024	2022
	Costs	Costs	Costs	Total	Total
Direct charitable expenditure:	£	£	£	£	£
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	Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	Kingdom kids & youth ministry	Benevolence and missions	Total
	£	£	£	£
Hall hire	13,358			13,358
Insurance & finance charges	4,451			4,451
IT & Office costs	8,031			8,031
Teaching Ministry	5,662			5,662
Administration costs	15,864			15,864
Church supplies	5,416			5,416
Freelance contractor	33,143			33,143
Kids kingdom/Youth ministry supplies		10,750		10,750
Pastoral care	5,362			5,362
	91,388	10,750	0	102,137

4 Employees & trustees

	2024	2022
	Total	Total
	£	£
Staff costs comprise:		
Gross wages and salaries	106,871	66,766
Employer's National insurance	5,773	3,075
Pension contributions	5,625	4,499
	118,269	74,340

No members of staff earned more than £60,000 during the year to 31 March 2024 or in the previous year.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

Trustees

No Trustee or person related to or connected by business to them has received any remuneration from the charity during the year for carrying out their duties as Trustees.

5 Debtors

	2024	2022
	£	£
Gift Aid Recoverable	2,161	41,153
Other debtors	17,785	17,624
	<u>19,946</u>	<u>58,777</u>

6 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2022
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	6,254	8,237
Accruals	13,622	57,500
	<u>19,876</u>	<u>26,984</u>

7 Restricted funds

	2024 Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects £	2024 Restricted Benevolence funds £	2022 Total £
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THAMES VALLEY CHURCHES OF CHRIST

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Accounts

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

(A company limited by guarantee)

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TRUSTEESREPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2022

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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Mr Christopher Birtles

Trustee

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

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Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Johanna Tebbs
(Accountant)
31st October 2023

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 December 2022

		2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
		Unrestricte d funds	Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects funds	Restricted Benevolenc e funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Notes	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:						
Donations	2	184,912	60,663	100	245,675	240,071
Total Income		184,912	60,663	100	245,675	240,071
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	3	182,934			182,934	163,937
Kingdom kids & youth ministry	3	14,936			14,936	27,724
Benevolence & Missions	3		57,500	4,634	62,134	59,991
Total expenditure		197,429	57,500	4,634	259,563	251,652
Net income / (Expenditure)		(12,516)	3,163	(4,534)	(13,887)	(11,581)
Balances brought forward						
at 1 January 2022		30,503	11,802	39,890	82,195	93,776
Balances carried forward						
at 31 December 2022		17,988	14,965	35,356	68,309	82,195

There were no recognised gains and losses for the year other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities. All activities of the charity were derived from continuing activities.

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets for use by the charity			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	58,777	36,846
Cash at bank and in hand		75,268	72,033
		<u>134,045</u>	<u>108,879</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	6	65,737	26,684
Net Current Assets		<u>68,309</u>	<u>82,195</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>69,309</u>	<u>82,195</u>
FUNDS			
Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects	7	6,965	11,802
Restricted Benevolence	7	47,990	39,890
Unrestricted		13,354	30,503
		<u>68,309</u>	<u>82,195</u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.'

Approved by the Trustees, and signed on their behalf on 31st October 2023 by



Christopher Birtles

Trustee

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Trustees in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. They are drawn up on the historical accounting basis. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

b) Income

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The following specific policies are applied to categories of income:

Donations

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Donations to which the charity is entitled but which have not been received by the year end are included in income in the Statement of Financial Activities and shown as debtors in the balance sheet.

Tax reclaimed on monies donated under the Gift Aid scheme

Income under this category is recognised in the financial statements on the date that the underlying donation is received by the charity, where the tax reclaim is made within three months of the end of the financial year.

HOPE worldwide UK

Collections are often taken up on the Sunday services of the charity on behalf of HOPE worldwide UK to support the work of HOPE worldwide UK and other HOPE worldwide affiliates around the world. These amounts are not included in the accounts of this charity.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

c) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis when a liability is incurred. Expenditure include any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Expenditure on **charitable activities** comprise those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

All costs are allocated between expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Costs relating to a activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

d) Volunteers

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements. Further details of the contribution made by volunteers can be found in the Trustees' report.

e) Fund accounting

The charity maintains various types of funds as follows:

Unrestricted fund

This represents unrestricted income which is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objectives of the charity. Such funds may be held to finance both working capital and capital investment. The charity at present has no designated funds.

Restricted fund – HOPE Worldwide Projects

This represents donations which are given by the donors for work with Hope Nepal and India Projects and are restricted to this use.

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This represents donations which are given by the donors for benevolence work within the church and local communities and are restricted to this use.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

The charity acquired no large assets during the year. Fixed assets that cost less than £1,000 are written off in the year in the statement of financial activities.

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The charity operates a defined contribution scheme through a registered company of investment specialists. Contributions are made on behalf of all qualifying employees who have elected to join the scheme. All required contributions during the period were accrued in accordance with the scheme's rules and charged to the Statement of Financial Activities for the year.

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

i) VAT

The charity is exempt from VAT under HMRC registration threshold.

j) Charitable commitments

Charitable commitments which are legally binding on the Trustees are accounted for as expenditure in the Statement of financial Activities. Where the promise of financial support is not binding on the Trustees, such intentions are accounted for by a transfer to a designated reserve. Activities that are to be wholly financed from future income do not form part of such designation and are disclosed in a note to the accounts.

2 Donations

Donations represent restricted and unrestricted income donated by members of the church and visitors at midweek and Sunday meetings of the charity in its various locations and by standing order

Donations	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
2021	187,204	52,867	240,071
2022	184,912	60,763	245,675

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Staff	Support	Direct	2022	2021
	Costs	Costs	Costs	Total	Total
Direct charitable expenditure:	£	£	£	£	£
Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	84,779	97,714		182,493	163,937
Kingdom kids & youth ministry		14,936		14,936	27,724
Benevolence & Missions			62,134	62,134	59,991
	<u>84,779</u>	<u>112,250</u>	<u>62,134</u>	<u>259,563</u>	<u>251,652</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Support costs comprise the following:

	Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	Kingdom kids & youth ministry	Benevolence and missions	Total
	£	£	£	£
Hall hire	14,984			14,984
Insurance & finance charges	1,654			1,654
IT & Office costs	10,380			10,380
Teaching Ministry	5,021			5,021
Administration costs	17,400			17,400
Church supplies	2,621			2,621
Freelance contractor	42,059			42,059
Kids kingdom/Youth ministry supplies		14,936		14,936
Pastoral care	3,595			3,595
	97,714	27,724	0	112,650

4 Employees & trustees

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	£	£
Staff costs comprise:		
Gross wages and salaries	66,766	66,766
Employer's National insurance	3,075	2,777
Pension contributions	4,499	4,499
	74,340	74,042

No members of staff earned more than £60,000 during the year to 31 December 2022 or in the previous year.

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Trustees

No Trustee or person related to or connected by business to them has received any remuneration from the charity during the year for carrying out their duties as Trustees.

5 Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Gift Aid Recoverable	41,153	20,000
Other debtors	<u>17,624</u>	<u>9,803</u>
	58,777	36,846

6 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	8,237	10,054
Accruals	<u>57,500</u>	<u>16,630</u>
	65,737	26,984

7 Restricted funds

	2022 Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects	2022 Restricted Benevolence funds	2021 Total
	£	£	£
Brought forward as at 1 January 2022	11,802	39,890	59,692
Income	60,663	100	52,867
Expenditure	(57,500)	(4,634)	(59,867)
	<u>14,965</u>	<u>35,356</u>	<u>51,692</u>

The HOPE Worldwide Projects restricted fund represents funds donated by members of the congregation to support the charity's HOPE Worldwide projects in India (Village of HOPE, Hyderabad PS and Pudupattinam PS)

The Benevolence Fund represent donations which are given by the donors for benevolence work within the church and local communities and are restricted to this use.

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

8 Taxation

The charity's activities are exempt from taxation under Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1998.

THAMES VALLEY CHURCHES OF CHRIST

England & Wales - Charity number 1099382

Accounts

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

(A company limited by guarantee)

Registered Company Number: 04767513

Registered Charity Number: 1099382

TRUSTEESREPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2021

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

TRUSTEES

Dr Jasminder Mankoo
Mr. Christopher Birtles

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LEGAL STATUS

Thames Valley Churches of Christ is a company limited by guarantee incorporated on 16th May 2003, Registration No.04767513. Registered with the Charity Commission - Registration No 1099382

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2021

The Trustees present their annual report and independently examined financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

Structure, governance and management

Thames Valley Churches of Christ is a company limited by guarantee (Company Number 4767513). It is also a registered charity (Charity Number 1099382). Both registrations are in England and Wales. The organisations' registered address is, 137 Deepcut Bridge Road, Deepcut, Camberley, Surrey, GU16 6SD.

Because of its 'dual status as a company and a charity, the same people serve as its company Directors and charity Trustees. A list of those serving is given on page I. In this document, the term "Trustee" is used, but this should also be taken to imply the role of "Director". Trustees' meetings are held face to face or online at least four times per annum. The day-to-day administration of the charity is delegated to the "Company Secretary". The day to day "spiritual" leadership and guidance of the charity is delegated to "the Ministry leader and the women's ministry leader".

Thames valley Churches of Christ continues to have warm and independent links with a poverty-relief charity called HOPE worldwide and continues to encourage its members to support their work.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with the duty set out in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance by the commission. All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefit from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity by the trustees are set out in note 6 to the accounts.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of Thames Valley Churches of Christ are defined in its Articles of Association as follows:

"the advancement of the Christian religion and the relief of poverty in the United Kingdom and elsewhere throughout the world"

The main ways in which Thames Valley Churches of Christ accomplishes its objects are through:

- adult ministry (this includes prayer, teaching, preaching, spiritual counselling and evangelism)
- youth and children's ministry
- assistance to the needy and the sick

Prayer, teaching, counselling and evangelism

Thames Valley Churches of Christ aim to facilitate the worship of God and to promote the everyday application of Christ's teachings. The charity continues to focus on small groups in the counties of Surrey, Hants, Berkshire, Dorset and Buckinghamshire. All the groups meet frequently to pray and worship together and to receive biblical teaching. The charity employed a fulltime pastoral worker and a women's leader. It also continued to use the services of a teaching and worship leader on a consultancy (self-employed) contract. With the help and support of members of the congregations the Sunday worship services, and mid-week meetings are open to members of the wider community and visitors are welcome. All these activities aim to foster and promote the everyday application of Christ's teachings.

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2021

Youth and Children's ministry

As in previous years the charity has put resources into building an effective youth ministry for families within the congregations and their surrounding neighbourhoods. All youth and children's activities are organised with the safety and security of the children at its heart. The charity has subscribed to the services of the Churches Child Protection Advisory Service (now Thirtyone:eight) who provide an invaluable service in supporting this work. Weekly classes this year were focused on creating an encouraging environment in which children can build an understanding of God and grow in their confidence and self-esteem and develop an appreciation of the relevance and usefulness of Christ in their everyday lives. The children are encouraged to invite their friends and family along to these events.

Assisting the Needy and the Sick

As in previous years the charity aims to meet the local needs among its members and in the local community. The Charity strives to imitate Jesus concern for those in need by supporting and partnering with HOPE Worldwide (a UK registered charity). This year the charity continued to support the work of HOPE Worldwide in the UK, HOPE Worldwide in India (support for the "Village of Hope"), HOPE Worldwide in Croatia (Orphanage Programme) and HOPE Worldwide in Nepal (support for the school and community projects). As in previous and despite the Covid-19, members of the congregations are encouraged to volunteer their time and to contribute resources to support the work of HOPE Worldwide.

Achievements in the year

Like all other organisations, 2021 was a remarkable and challenging year due to covid-19 and the various Government responses to curb its spread. The small groups developed capabilities to meet weekly online and the small groups continue to thrive and grow in membership. The youth ministry continued to engage and inspire young people from within the church and the local community by using online resources.

Leaders continue to rise up in the small groups and locations and a wealth of talent that is needed for the church to continue to thrive is very encouraging.

Financial review

In overseeing the finances and administration of the charity, the Trustees wish to ensure that it complies with all relevant legislation and regulations. However, they also seek to apply a high standard of self-regulation, as they seek to imitate the standard set in the Bible by the Apostle Paul:

"We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of men." 2 Cor 8:20-21,

Most donations are received from congregational members by standing orders..

The Trustees do not believe the charity is involved in risky activity. All necessary employers and public liability insurance policies are held and under constant review.

The organisation was in good financial health during the year ended 31 December 2021. The accumulated funds of £82,195 as at 31 December 2021 [2020: £93,776]

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2021

Future Plans

The trustees continue to focus on growing the church with particular emphasis on the following:

- encourage and support continued growth in our current congregations
- continue to seek new outreach and church plantings within the Thames Valley region
- continued support for the needy and the sick.
- Recruit younger people into leadership of the church.

Principle risks

The Trustees periodically review and update the organisation's risk register. Three headline risks concern safeguarding, and maintaining the goodwill of church members. These risks and a summary of our mitigation plans are described as follows:

- Safeguarding the well-being of children (and vulnerable adults) in church care: the Trustees want to have (and be seen to have) the highest standards in child protection. We are informed by advice from Thirtyone:eight (formerly Churches Child Protection Advisory Service). All staff are required to attend suitable training (both on appointment and periodically thereafter), and we are expanding the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks to include all members regularly involved in such activities.
- Trust and goodwill of church members: the financial and operational continuity of the charity is intrinsically tied to the continued trust and goodwill of the church members towards the charity, its leadership and its effectiveness in carrying out its purpose. We seek to protect and strengthen that goodwill through upholding the expectation of wholehearted participation in the life of the church by all its members, healthy engagement with church leadership, and forums such as the Annual Church Meeting where questions about the church's finances and impact can be raised and addressed.
- Future leaders: the trustees recognise the need to address the demographic gap within the church. The trustees are working with the current leaders to develop a young professionals ministry to act as a recruitment vehicle for future leaders.

Conclusions

This report has demonstrated that Thames Valley Churches of Christ is accomplishing its objectives to spread the message and teachings of Jesus Christ, and to help those affected by poverty and sickness. In so doing, it is bringing benefits to wider society and community through its activities. The organisation is in a sound financial position and is well placed to build on its work in 2022.

Approved by the Trustees, and signed on their behalf on 31 October 2023 by



Mr Christopher Birtles

Trustee

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2021

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose within reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Trustees 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.

In accordance with company law, as the company's Directors, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and
- as the Directors of the company we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to company's subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Trustees, and signed on their behalf on 31 October 2023 by



Mr Christopher Birtles

Trustee

Independent Examiners Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Thames Valley Churches of Christ.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021 which are set out in the "The Trustees Report & Financial Statements" for year ended 31st December 2021.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

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Johanna Tebbs
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Thames Valley Churches of Christ

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		2021	2021	2021	2021	2020
		Unrestrict ed funds	Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects funds	Restricted Benevolenc e funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Notes	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:						
Donations	2	187,204	51,867	1,000	240,071	224,514
Total Income		187,204	51,867	1,000	240,071	224,514
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	3	163,937			163,937	128,594
Kingdom kids & youth ministry	3	27,724			27,724	5,880
Benevolence & Missions	3	124	51,867	8,000	59,991	45,605
Total expenditure		191,785	57,867	8,000	251,652	180,079
Net income / (Expenditure)		(4,580)		(7,000)	(11,581)	44,435
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2021		35,084	11,802	46,890	93,776	49,341
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Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets for use by the charity			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	36,846	34,668
Cash at bank and in hand		72,033	69,219
		<u>108,879</u>	<u>103,887</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	6	26,684	10,111
Net Current Assets		<u>82,195</u>	<u>93,776</u>
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Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)

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This represents donations which are given by the donors for benevolence work within the church and local communities and are restricted to this use.

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The charity acquired no large assets during the year. Fixed assets that cost less than £1,000 are written off in the year in the statement of financial activities.

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Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)

i) VAT

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j) Charitable commitments

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Donations represent restricted and unrestricted income donated by members of the church and visitors at midweek and Sunday meetings of the charity in its various locations and by standing order

Donations	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
2020	179,120	45,394	224,514
2021	187,204	52,867	240,071

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Staff	Support	Direct	2021	2020
	Costs	Costs	Costs	Total	Total
Direct charitable expenditure:	£	£	£	£	£
Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	84,990	78,947		163,937	128,594
Kingdom kids & youth ministry		27,724		27,724	5,880
Benevolence & Missions			59,991	59,991	45,605
	84,990	106,671	60,021	251,652	180,079

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Support costs comprise the following:

	Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	Kingdom kids & youth ministry	Benevolence and missions	Total
	£	£	£	£
Hall hire	6087			6,087
Insurance & finance charges	336			336
IT & Office costs	9541			9,541
London group support	36			36
Administration costs	17,400			17,400
Church supplies	1,822			1,822
Freelance contractor	42,584			42,584
Kids kingdom/Youth ministry supplies		27,724		27,724
Pastoral care	1,141			1,141
	78,947	27,724	0	106,671

4 Employees & trustees

	2021	2020
	Total	Total
	£	£
Staff costs comprise:		
Gross wages and salaries	66,766	66,766
Employer's National insurance	2,777	2,800
Pension contributions	4,499	4,490
	74,042	74,056

No members of staff earned more than £60,000 during the year to 31 December 2021 or in the previous year.

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Trustees

No Trustee or person related to or connected by business to them has received any remuneration from the charity during the year for carrying out their duties as Trustees.

5 Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Gift Aid Recoverable	20,000	27,871
Other debtors	<u>9,803</u>	<u>6,797</u>
	36,846	34,668

6 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	10,054	4,577
Accruals	<u>16,630</u>	<u>5,534</u>
	26,984	10,111

7 Restricted funds

	2021 Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects	2021 Restricted Benevolence funds	2020 Total
	£	£	£
Brought forward as at 1 January 2021	11,802	46,890	53,498
Income	51,867	1,000	45,394
Expenditure	(51,867)	(8,800)	(40,200)
	<u>11,802</u>	<u>39,890</u>	<u>59,692</u>

The HOPE Worldwide Projects restricted fund represents funds donated by members of the congregation to support the charity's HOPE Worldwide projects in UK, Nepal, India and Croatia.

The Benevolence Fund represent donations which are given by the donors for benevolence work within the church and local communities and are restricted to this use.

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8 Taxation

The charity's activities are exempt from taxation under Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1998.

THAMES VALLEY CHURCHES OF CHRIST

England & Wales - Charity number 1099382

Accounts

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

(A company limited by guarantee)

Registered Company Number: 04767513

Registered Charity Number: 1099382

TRUSTEESREPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2020

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

TRUSTEES

Dr Jasminster Mankoo
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LEGAL STATUS

Thames Valley Churches of Christ is a company limited by guarantee incorporated on 16th May 2003, Registration No.04767513. Registered with the Charity Commission - Registration No 1099382

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2020

The Trustees present their annual report and independently examined financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019

Structure, governance and management

Thames Valley Churches of Christ is a company limited by guarantee (Company Number 4767513). It is also a registered charity (Charity Number 1099382). Both registrations are in England and Wales. The organisations registered address is, 137 Deepcut Bridge Road, Deepcut, Camberley, Surrey, GU16 6SD.

Because of its 'dual status as a company and a charity, the same people serve as its company Directors and charity Trustees. A list of those serving is given on page I. In this document, the term "Trustee" is used, but this should also be taken to imply the role of "Director". Trustees meetings are held face to face at least four times per annum. The day to day administration of the charity is delegated to the "Company Secretary". The day to day "spiritual" leadership and guidance of the charity is delegated to "the Ministry leader and the women's ministry leader".

Thames Valley Churches of Christ continues to have warm links with other churches in the International Churches of Christ, in the UK and overseas. Joint events are arranged with between them from time to time. Thames Valley Churches of Christ also has similarly warm and independent links with a poverty-relief charity called HOPE worldwide and continues to encourage its members support their work.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with the duty set out in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance by the commission. All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefit from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity by the trustees are set out in note 6 to the accounts.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of Thames Valley Churches of Christ are defined in its Articles of Association as follows:

"the advancement of the Christian religion and the relief of poverty in the United Kingdom and elsewhere throughout the world"

The main ways in which Thames Valley Churches of Christ accomplishes its objects are through:

- adult ministry (this includes prayer, teaching, preaching, counselling and evangelism)
- youth and children's ministry
- assistance to the needy and the sick

Prayer, teaching, counselling and evangelism

Thames Valley Churches of Christ continues to focus on small groups in the counties of Surrey, Hants, Berkshire, Dorset and Buckinghamshire. The charity employed a fulltime pastoral worker and a women's leader. It also continued to use the services of a teaching and worship leader on a consultancy (self-employed) contract. With the help and support of members of the congregations the Sunday worship services and mid week meetings are open to members of the wider community and visitors are welcome. All these activities aim to foster and promote the everyday application of Christ's teachings.

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Youth and Children's ministry

As in previous years the charity has put resources into building an effective youth ministry for families within the congregations and their surrounding neighbourhoods. All youth and children's activities are organised with the safety and security of the children at its heart. The charity has subscribed to the services of the Churches Child Protection Advisory Service who provide an invaluable service in supporting this work. Weekly classes this year were focused on creating an encouraging environment in which children can build an understanding of God and grow in their confidence and self-esteem and develop an appreciation of the relevance and usefulness of Christ in their everyday lives. The children are encouraged to invite their friends and family along to these events.

Assisting the Needy and the Sick

As in previous years the charity aims to meet the local needs among its members and in the local community. The Charity strives to imitate Jesus concern for those in need by supporting and partnering with HOPE Worldwide (a UK registered charity). This year the charity continued to support the work of HOPE Worldwide in the UK, HOPE Worldwide in India (support for the "Village of Hope"), HOPE Worldwide in Croatia (Orphanage Programme) and HOPE Worldwide in Nepal (support for the school and community projects). As in previous and despite the Covid-19, members of the congregations are encouraged to volunteer their time and to contribute resources to support the work of HOPE Worldwide.

Achievements in the year

Like all other organisations, 2020 was a remarkable and challenging year due to covid-19 and the various Government responses to curb its spread. The small groups developed capabilities to meet weekly online and the small groups continue to thrive and grow in membership. The youth ministry continued to engage and inspire young people from within the church and the local community by using online resources.

Leaders continue to rise up in the small groups and locations and a wealth of talent that is needed for the church to continue to thrive is very encouraging.

Financial review

In overseeing the finances and administration of the charity, the Trustees wish to ensure that it complies with all relevant legislation and regulations. However, they also seek to apply a high standard of self-regulation, as they seek to imitate the standard set in the Bible by the Apostle Paul:

"We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of men." 2 Cor 8:20-21,

Most donations are received from congregational members by standing orders..

The Trustees do not believe the charity is involved in risky activity. All necessary employers and public liability insurance policies are held and under constant review.

The organisation was in good financial health during the year ended 31 December 2020. The accumulated funds of £93,776 as at 31 December 2020 [2019: £49,341]

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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2020

Future Plans

The trustees continue to endorse "the 2020 Vision" within the international Churches of Christ family which incorporates plans including the following:

- encourage and support continued growth in our current congregations
- continue to seek new outreach and church plantings within the Thames Valley region
- continued support for the needy and the sick.

Principle risks

The Trustees periodically review and update the organisation's risk register. Two headline risks concern safeguarding, and maintaining the goodwill of church members. These risks and a summary of our mitigation plans are described as follows:

- Safeguarding the well-being of children (and vulnerable adults) in church care: the Trustees want to have (and be seen to have) the highest standards in child protection. We are informed by advice from Thirtyone:eight (formerly Churches Child Protection Advisory Service). All staff are required to attend suitable training (both on appointment and periodically thereafter), and we are expanding the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks to include all members regularly involved in such activities.
- Trust and goodwill of church members: the financial and operational continuity of the charity is intrinsically tied to the continued trust and goodwill of the church members towards the charity, its leadership and its effectiveness in carrying out its purpose. We seek to protect and strengthen that goodwill through upholding the expectation of wholehearted participation in the life of the church by all its members, healthy engagement with church leadership, and forums such as the Annual Church Meeting where questions about the church's finances and impact can be raised and addressed.

Impact of COVID-19

The 'lockdown' restrictions that came in to force in late March 2020 prevented our churches from conducting their meetings in the usual 'face to face' manner, but they quickly adapted to provide 'online' meetings, which have been very successful. Income dropped slightly compared to the year before due to members who had to reduce their giving as a result of the challenges they were facing. Expenditure reduced significantly through their being no need to rent venues for meetings, and there was less travel and other physical activity resulting in a drop in reimbursable expenses. Consequently the charity's finances saw a noticeable improvement which continued into 2021.

Conclusions

This report has demonstrated that Thames Valley Churches of Christ is accomplishing its objectives to spread the message and teachings of Jesus Christ, and to help those affected by poverty and sickness. In so doing, it is bringing benefits to wider society and community through its activities. The organisation is in a sound financial position and is well placed to build on its work in 2020.

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2020

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose within reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Trustees 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.

In accordance with company law, as the company's Directors, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and
- as the Directors of the company we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to company's subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Trustees, and signed on their behalf on 31 October 2021 by



Mr Christopher Birtles

Trustee

Independent Examiners Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Thames Valley Churches of Christ.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020 which are set out in the "The Trustees Report & Financial Statements" for year ended 31st December 2020.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- 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 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 management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
 - to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Johanna Tebbs
(Accountant)
31st October 2021

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 December 2020

		2020	2020	2020	2020	2019
		Unrestricte d funds	Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects funds	Restricted Benevolenc e funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:						
Donations	2	179,120	24,500	20,894	224,514	258,648
Total Income		179,120	24,500	20,894	224,514	258,648
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	3	128,594			128,594	184,310
Kingdom kids & youth ministry	3	5880			5880	25,603
Benevolence & Missions	3	5405	40,200		45,605	30,094
Total expenditure		139,879	40,200		180,079	240,007
Net income / (Expenditure)		39,241	(15,700)	20,894	44,435	18,641
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2020		(4,157)	27,502	25,996	49,341	30,700
Balances carried forward at 31 December 2020		35,084	11,802	46,890	93,776	49,341

There were no recognised gains and losses for the year other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities. All activities of the charity were derived from continuing activities.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets for use by the charity			<u>3,683</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	34,668	39,953
Cash at bank and in hand		69,219	25,681
		<u>103,887</u>	<u>65,634</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	6	10,111	19,976
Net Current Assets		<u>93,776</u>	<u>45,658</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>93,776</u>	<u>49,341</u>
FUNDS			
Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects	7	11,802	27,502
Restricted Benevolence	7	46,890	25,996
Unrestricted		35,084	(4,157)
		<u>93,776</u>	<u>49,341</u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.'

Approved by the Trustees, and signed on their behalf on 31st October 2021 by



Christopher Birtles

Trustee

Thames Valley Churches of Christ

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Trustees in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. They are drawn up on the historical accounting basis. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

b) Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when the conditions for receipt have been met and there is reasonable assurance of receipt and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Where a claim for repayment of income tax has or will be made, such income is grossed up for the tax recoverable.

The following specific policies are applied to categories of income:

Donations

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Donations to which the charity is entitled but which have not been received by the year end are included in income in the Statement of Financial Activities and shown as debtors in the balance sheet.

Tax reclaimed on monies donated under the Gift Aid scheme

Income under this category is recognised in the financial statements on the date that the underlying donation is received by the charity, where the tax reclaim is made within three months of the end of the financial year.

HOPE worldwide UK

Collections are taken up on the Sunday services of the charity on behalf of HOPE *worldwide* UK to support the work of HOPE *worldwide* UK and other HOPE *worldwide* affiliates around the world. These amounts are not included in the accounts of this charity.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

c) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis when a liability is incurred. Expenditure include any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Expenditure on **charitable activities** comprise those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

All costs are allocated between expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Costs relating to a activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

d) Volunteers

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements. Further details of the contribution made by volunteers can be found in the Trustees' report.

e) Fund accounting

The charity maintains various types of funds as follows:

Unrestricted fund

This represents unrestricted income which is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objectives of the charity. Such funds may be held to finance both working capital and capital investment. The charity at present has no designated funds.

Restricted fund – HOPE Nepal & India Projects

This represents donations which are given by the donors for work with Hope Nepal and India Projects and are restricted to this use.

Restricted fund – Benevolence

This represents donations which are given by the donors for benevolence work within the church and local communities and are restricted to this use.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

The charity acquired no large assets during the year. Fixed assets that cost less than £1,000 are written off in the year in the statement of financial activities.

h) Pension costs

The charity operates a defined contribution scheme through a registered company of investment specialists. Contributions are made on behalf of all qualifying employees who have elected to join the scheme. All required contributions during the period were accrued in accordance with the scheme's rules and charged to the Statement of Financial Activities for the year.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

i) VAT

The charity is exempt from VAT under HMRC registration threshold.

j) Charitable commitments

Charitable commitments which are legally binding on the Trustees are accounted for as expenditure in the Statement of financial Activities. Where the promise of financial support is not binding on the Trustees, such intentions are accounted for by a transfer to a designated reserve. Activities that are to be wholly financed from future income do not form part of such designation and are disclosed in a note to the accounts.

2 Donations

Donations represent restricted and unrestricted income donated by members of the church and visitors at midweek and Sunday meetings of the charity in its various locations and by standing order

	2020	2019
	Total	Total
	£	£
Donations	<u>224,514</u>	<u>258,648</u>

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Staff	Support	Direct	2020	2019
	Costs	Costs	Costs	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Direct charitable expenditure:					
Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	79,560	49,034		128,594	184,310
Kingdom kids & youth ministry		5,880		5,880	25,603
Benevolence & Missions			45,605	45,605	30,094
	<u>79,560</u>	<u>54,914</u>	<u>45,605</u>	<u>180,079</u>	<u>240,007</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

Support costs comprise the following:

	Preaching, teaching, evangelism & counselling	Kingdom kids & youth ministry	Benevolence and missions	Total
	£	£	£	£
Hall hire	4,559			4,559
Insurance & finance charges	869			869
IT & Office costs	4,756			4,756
London group support	23			23
Administration costs	7,200			7,200
Church supplies	121			121
Freelance contractor	29,759			29,759
Kids kingdom/Youth ministry supplies		5,880		5,880
Pastoral care	1,747			1,747
	49,034	5,880	0	59,914

4 Employees & trustees

	2019	2019
	Total	Total
	£	£
Staff costs comprise:		
Gross wages and salaries	66,766	89,176
Employer's National insurance	2,800	5,177
Pension contributions	4,490	4,779
	74,057	99,131

No members of staff earned more than £60,000 during the year to 31 December 2020 or in the previous year.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

Trustees

No Trustee or person related to or connected by business to them has received any remuneration from the charity during the year for carrying out their duties as Trustees.

5 Debtors

	2020	2019
	£	£
Gift Aid Recoverable	27,871	29,250
Other debtors	<u>6,797</u>	<u>10,703</u>
	34,668	39,953

6 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020	2019
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	4,577	9,260
Accruals	<u>5,534</u>	<u>7,578</u>
	10,111	15,942

7 Restricted funds

	2020 Restricted HOPE Worldwide Projects	2020 Restricted Benevolence funds	2020 Total
	£	£	£
Brought forward as at 1 January 2020	27,502	25,996	53,498
Income	24,500	20,894	45,394
Expenditure	(40,200)		(40,200)
	<u>11,802</u>	<u>46,890</u>	<u>59,692</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

8 Taxation

The charity's activities are exempt from taxation under Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1998.

9 Related parties

During the year £7,200 (2018 £7,200) was paid to ATB support LTD for Accountancy and management services. The Company secretary is a director and shareholder in ATB Support LTD.