

THE DAGENHAM GOSPEL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1101492

Details

Other names DAGENHAM GOSPEL TRUST

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [04964578](#)

Registered 2004-01-13

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

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH AS DEFINED IN CLAUSE 9.1 OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA OF LONDON, ENGLAND AND ESSEX PARTICULARLY IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARKING AND DAGENHAM AND BEYOND IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY SUPPORT DEPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OF CHRISTIAN MINISTERS AND WORKERS COMMITTED TO THE PROCLAMATION AND TEACHING OF THE WORKED OF GOD AND TESTIMONY OF JESUS CHRIST AS SET FORTH IN SCRIPTURE AND THE PROVISION OF OTHER RESOURCES FOR CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Activities: Support, deployment and training of Christian ministers and workers, and the provision of other resources for Christian ministry, particularly in the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Human Resources
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LONDON BOROUGHS OF BARKING AND DAGENHAM
- Barking And Dagenham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£69,633	£28,447	-	-
2023-12-31	£21,561	£22,019	-	-
2022-12-31	£48,815	£28,500	-	-
2021-12-31	£31,130	£31,463	-	-
2020-12-31	£27,515	£25,634	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SIMON JAMES JORDAN	Chair	
HELEN JACQUELINE READ		
KAREN FOSTER		
Kay Elizabeth Tidman		2021-10-01

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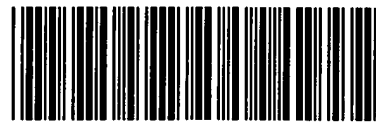
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Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 December 2024

Charity No: 1101492
Company No: 4964578

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Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2024

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Karen Foster
Helen Read
Kay Tidman

Secretary

Sydney Jordan

Independent Examiner

Alan Gray FCA
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The objects of the Charity stated in the Memorandum and Articles of Association are the advancement of the Christian Faith particularly in the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham by the support, deployment and training of Christian ministers and workers committed to the proclamation and teaching of the Word of God and testimony of Jesus Christ as set forth in Scripture and the provision of other resources for Christian ministry.

Activities

The activities of the Trust flow from its objects and are split between the support and deployment of Christian workers and the training of Christian workers. When planning our activities, the Trustees have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

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From August 2024, the Trust employed Matthew Harvey as an Assistant Minister, seconded to St George's Church in Dagenham.

Training of Christian workers

From time to time the Trust also makes grants to train men and women in Christian ministry.

The Trustees did not make any grants in 2024.

Achievements and Performance

Highlights included:

- Matthew Harvey's secondment to St George's Church as a lay assistant minister. He will be trained in all appropriate aspects of parish ministry by the incumbent over the next 3 years. This includes overseeing two of the after-school children's clubs that were previously run by Shona Hannant whose employment by the Trust ended in 2023 when she left to take up a new post.

Financial Review

The Trust continued to receive a mixture of regular and one-off donations from individuals and churches.

- Income increased from £21,561 in 2023 to £69,633. The main contributor was donations and grants towards the Assistant Minister fund.
- Expenditure increased from £22,019 in 2023 to £28,447. This reflected Shona Hannant's employment ending in September 2023 and Matthew Harvey's employment beginning in August 2024.

As at 31 December 2024, the accounts show a fund balance of £116,798.

Donated services

Donated services were provided for accounting and general administration on a voluntary basis. No Trustees received any remuneration during the period.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have a policy where funds held by the Trust should be no less than the annual salary cost. This is to ensure that staff can be employed for the coming year and to allow time to raise the necessary funds.

Plans for Future Periods

Based on the Trust's reserves and pledges from current donors, the Trustees forecast that the Trust's commitments in 2025 will be met in full. This includes the employment costs of an Assistant Minister, seconded to St George's Church.

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Governing Document

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Trustee Induction and Training

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Management and Administration

The Trustees meet at least twice a year to review the performance and finances of the Trust and other issues that arise. Each Trustee has one vote, and the chairman has an additional casting vote. The Trustees have appointed a secretary to handle correspondence with donors, book-keeping, Gift Aid reclaim, the administration associated with the employment of Christian workers and other day-to-day administration. This work is done on an entirely voluntary basis.

Related Parties

The Trust has a separate legal and financial identity from St George's Church but has a close association with it in that the Christian workers it currently employs and pays for are on the ministry team at St George's. Three of the four current trustees are on the Electoral Roll of the church, two of whom serve on its Parochial Church Council.

Risks

The Trustees have considered the major strategic, financial, and operational risks which the Trust faces and confirm that, through regular Trustees' meetings and other reviews, necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks.

The Trustees are monitoring the economic situation in the UK and are keeping the Trust's financial position under review. The main risk is donors reducing or ending their regular giving as a result of the rising cost of living. At the present time the financial position of the Trust remains healthy. However, the Trustees intend to engage with current donors, and seek new donors, to bolster the Trust's income.

Appropriate insurance is taken out to cover against employer's and public liability.

Approved by the Trustees on 11/09/25 and signed on their behalf by:

Simon Jordan

Simon Jordan
Chair of Trustees

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Dagenham Gospel Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").


I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination. I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have 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.



**Alan Gray FCA
Chartered Accountant**

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12 September 2025

**Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds		Total funds	
		2024 £	2023 £	2024 £	2023 £	2024 £	2023 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations & legacies	3	13,258	7,695	43,419	3,288	56,677	10,983
Grants	4	-	-	11,344	9,750	11,344	9,750
Interest		1,612	828	-	-	1,612	828
Total income and endowments		14,870	8,523	54,763	13,038	69,633	21,561
Expenditure on:							
Staff costs	5	-	-	27,882	21,698	27,882	21,698
Grants		-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and administration	7	565	321	-	-	565	321
Total expenditure		565	321	27,882	21,698	28,447	22,019
Net income/(expenditure)		14,305	8,202	26,881	(8,660)	41,186	(458)
Transfers between funds	11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		14,305	(798)	26,881	340	41,186	(458)
Total funds brought forward	11	74,846	75,644	766	426	75,612	76,070
Total funds carried forward	11	89,151	74,846	27,647	766	116,798	75,612

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

	Notes	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Current assets			
Debtors	9	11,089	2,053
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>105,709</u>	<u>73,559</u>
		<u>116,798</u>	<u>75,612</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	-	-
Total net assets		<u>116,798</u>	<u>75,612</u>
Represented by:			
Restricted income funds	11	27,647	766
Unrestricted funds	11	<u>89,151</u>	<u>74,846</u>
		<u>116,798</u>	<u>75,612</u>

Audit Exemption Statement

For the year ending 31 December 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

Approved by the Trustees on 11 / 09 / 25 and signed on their behalf by:

Simon Jordan

Simon Jordan
 Chair of Trustees

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Dagenham Gospel Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

b) Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

Based on pledges from current donors, the Trustees forecast that the salary cost for 2025 will be met in full.

c) Income

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Gift Aid is recognised on the date of the donation and recovered on an annual basis. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are donations receivable without further specified purpose and are available as general funds. Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund. Details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in note 12.

e) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

f) Pensions

The Trust operates a defined contribution pension scheme with respect to the Assistant Minister.

2. Legal status of the Trust

The company was incorporated on 14 November 2003 as a company limited by guarantee. Every member of the company promises if the company is dissolved while he or she is a member, or within 12 months afterwards, to pay up to £1 towards the costs of dissolution and the liabilities incurred by the company while the contributor was a member.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 (cont'd)

3. Donations & legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations under Gift Aid	9,862	34,495	44,357	8,210
Income Tax recoverable for Gift Aid donations	2,466	8,624	11,090	2,053
Other donations	930	300	1,230	720
Legacies	-	-	-	-
	<u>13,258</u>	<u>43,419</u>	<u>56,677</u>	<u>10,983</u>

4. Grants

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Christ Church, Leyton	-	3,344	3,344	-
Essex and East London Good Stewards Trust	-	1,000	1,000	-
Sola Trust	-	6,000	6,000	-
St John's, Walmthamstow	-	1,000	1,000	-
Emmanuel, Wimbledon	-	-	-	3,750
St Peter's Barge	-	-	-	6,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>11,344</u>	<u>11,344</u>	<u>9,750</u>

5. Staff costs and numbers

Staff costs were as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Salaries and wages	11,972	18,466
Employer's National Insurance contributions	-	-
Pension costs (see Note 6)	2,090	3,232
Housing	13,820	-
	<u>27,882</u>	<u>21,698</u>

The Trust benefitted from the full amount of the Employment Allowance for 2023/24.

The average number of employees during the year:

	2024	2023
Assistant Minister	1	0
Children's and Families Worker	0	1

Matthew Harvey was employed from August 2024 and seconded as Assistant Minister to St George's Church.

No employee received total emoluments (excluding employer pension costs) above £60,000.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 (cont'd)

6. Pension costs

	Paid contributions	Outstanding contributions	Total contributions 2024	Total contributions 2023
	£	£	£	£
Assistant Minister	2,090	-	2,090	-
Children's and Families Worker	-	-	-	3,232
	<u>2,090</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,090</u>	<u>3,232</u>

Defined Contribution

The Trust operates a defined contribution pension scheme with respect to the Assistant Minister. The scheme is operated on a non-contributory basis. The Trust makes monthly contributions equivalent to 17.5% gross salary.

7. Management and administration

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Insurance	531	-	531	308
Companies House	34	-	34	13
Independent Examination	-	-	-	-
	<u>565</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>565</u>	<u>321</u>

Donated services have been provided for accounting, general administration and legal advice. This was all given on a voluntary basis, and is not recorded in the accounts. No Trustees received any remuneration or reimbursement for expenses during the period.

8. Taxation

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 (cont'd)

9. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Income Tax recoverable for Gift Aid donations	11,089	2,053
	<u>11,089</u>	<u>2,053</u>

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Income Tax and National Insurance	-	-
Salary adjustments (back pay)	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

11. Movements in funds

	At 31 December 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains/ (losses) £	At 31 December 2024 £
Restricted funds:						
Assistant Minister	-	53,094	(27,882)	-	-	25,212
Families & Young People's Work	766	1,669	-	-	-	2,435
Total restricted funds	<u>766</u>	<u>54,763</u>	<u>(27,882)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,647</u>
Unrestricted funds:						
General funds	74,846	14,870	(565)	-	-	89,151
Total unrestricted funds	<u>74,846</u>	<u>14,870</u>	<u>(565)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>89,151</u>
Total funds	<u>75,612</u>	<u>69,633</u>	<u>(28,447)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>116,798</u>

12. Purposes of restricted funds

Assistant Minister - Employment of an Assistant Minister seconded to St George's Church.

Families & Young People's Work - Employment and training of Families and Young People's Workers at St George's Church.

13. Related party disclosures

Trustees Karen Foster and Simon Jordan were members of St George's PCC in 2024.

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In 2022 the Trust employed Shona Hannant as full-time Children's and Families Worker, seconded to St George's Church in Dagenham.

Training of Christian workers

From time to time the Trust also makes grants to train men and women in Christian ministry.

The Trustees did not make any grants in 2022.

Achievements and Performance

With the ending of Covid restrictions, Shona Hannant was able to resume a full programme of activities for children and families at St George's Church. Highlights included:

- Holiday Bible Club had 70 children attending each morning and was run by 25 leaders and helpers from the church family.
- Toddler group has 30 families on the register including people from Moldova, Bulgaria, and Romania.
- Shona Hannant resumed her regular visits to two local primary schools, one of which came to St George's for their Easter and Christmas services.
- Ongoing training of leaders and helpers to ensure that all children and their families can learn in a caring and safe environment.

Financial Review

The Trust continued to receive a mixture of regular and one-off donations from individuals and churches.

- Income increased to £48,815 from £31,130 in 2021. The main contributor was a legacy and an increase in grants. However, income from individual donors decreased and several donors stopped giving.
- Expenditure reduced to £28,500 from £31,463 in 2021. The cost in 2021 was affected by an additional salary payment and pension contributions with respect to the Children's and Families Worker.

As at 31 December 2022, the accounts show a fund balance of £76,070.

Donated services

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Chair of Trustees

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Alan Gray FCA
Chartered Accountant

Date: 31st JULY 2023

**Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds		Total funds	
		2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations & legacies	3	29,919	9,630	3,375	9,988	33,294	19,618
Grants	4	-	2,000	15,500	9,500	15,500	11,500
Interest		21	12	-	-	21	12
Total income and endowments		29,940	11,642	18,875	19,488	48,815	31,130
Expenditure on:							
Staff costs	5	-	-	27,664	30,651	27,664	30,651
Grants		-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and administration	7	836	812	-	-	836	812
Total expenditure		836	812	27,664	30,651	28,500	31,463
Net income/(expenditure)		29,104	10,830	(8,789)	(11,163)	20,315	(333)
Transfers between funds	11	(9,000)	(11,000)	9,000	11,000	-	-
Net movement in funds		20,104	(170)	211	(163)	20,315	(333)
Total funds brought forward	11	55,540	55,710	215	378	55,755	56,088
Total funds carried forward	11	75,644	55,540	426	215	76,070	55,755

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Notes	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Current assets			
Debtors	9	2,070	3,658
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>74,300</u>	<u>52,187</u>
		<u>76,370</u>	<u>55,845</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	300	90
Total net assets		<u>76,070</u>	<u>55,755</u>
Represented by:			
Restricted income funds	11	426	215
Unrestricted funds	11	<u>75,644</u>	<u>55,540</u>
		<u>76,070</u>	<u>55,755</u>

Audit Exemption Statement

For the year ending 31 December 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

Approved by the Trustees on 8/07/2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Simon Jordan

Simon Jordan
Chair of Trustees

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Dagenham Gospel Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

b) Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

Based on pledges from current donors, the Trustees forecast that the salary cost for 2023 will be met in full.

c) Income

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Gift Aid is recognised on the date of the donation and recovered on an annual basis. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are donations receivable without further specified purpose and are available as general funds. Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund. Details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in note 12.

e) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

f) Pensions

The Trust operates a defined contribution pension scheme with respect to the Children's and Families Worker.

2. Legal status of the Trust

The company was incorporated on 14 November 2003 as a company limited by guarantee. Every member of the company promises if the company is dissolved while he or she is a member, or within 12 months afterwards, to pay up to £1 towards the costs of dissolution and the liabilities incurred by the company while the contributor was a member.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (cont'd)

3. Donations & legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations under Gift Aid	5,820	2,460	8,280	14,630
Income Tax recoverable for Gift Aid donations	1,455	615	2,070	3,658
Other donations	360	300	660	1,330
Legacies	22,284	-	22,284	-
	<u>29,919</u>	<u>3,375</u>	<u>33,294</u>	<u>19,618</u>

4. Grants

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Christ Church, Mayfair	-	-	-	2,000
Emmanuel, Wimbledon	-	5,000	5,000	5,000
St Oswalds, Walkergate	-	-	-	500
St Peter's Barge	-	5,500	5,500	4,000
London over the Border	-	5,000	5,000	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>15,500</u>	<u>15,500</u>	<u>11,500</u>

5. Staff costs and numbers

Staff costs were as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Salaries and wages	23,544	24,534
Employer's National Insurance contributions	-	-
Pension costs (see Note 6)	4,120	6,117
	<u>27,664</u>	<u>30,651</u>

In 2021, the Trust made an additional salary payment to the Children's and Families Worker to reflect cost of living increases that it had not made since 2017.

The Trust benefitted from the full amount of the Employment Allowance for 2021/22.

The average number of employees during the year:

	2022	2021
Children's and Families Worker	1	1

No employee received total emoluments (excluding employer pension costs) above £60,000.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (cont'd)

6. Pension costs

	Paid contributions	Outstanding contributions	Total contributions 2022	Total contributions 2021
	£	£	£	£
Children's and Families Worker	4,120	-	4,120	6,117

Defined Contribution

The Trust operates a defined contribution pension scheme with respect to the Children's and Families Worker. The scheme is operated on a non-contributory basis. The Trust makes monthly contributions equivalent to 17.5% gross salary. In 2021, the Trust made an additional pension contribution equivalent to 17.5% of the additional salary payment that it made to the Children's and Families Worker.

7. Management and administration

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Insurance	481	-	481	457
Companies House	13	-	13	13
Independent Examination	342	-	342	342
	<u>836</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>836</u>	<u>812</u>

Donated services have been provided for accounting, general administration and legal advice. This was all given on a voluntary basis, and is not recorded in the accounts. No Trustees received any remuneration or reimbursement for expenses during the period.

8. Taxation

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (cont'd)

9. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Income Tax recoverable for Gift Aid donations	2,070	3,658
	<u>2,070</u>	<u>3,658</u>

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Income Tax and National Insurance	300	-
Salary adjustments (back pay)	-	90
	<u>300</u>	<u>90</u>

11. Movements in funds

	At 31 December 2021	Income Expenditure		Transfers	Gains/ (losses)	At 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds:						
Families & Young People's Work	215	18,875	(27,664)	9,000	-	426
Total restricted funds	<u>215</u>	<u>18,875</u>	<u>(27,664)</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>426</u>
Unrestricted funds:						
General funds	55,540	29,940	(836)	(9,000)	-	75,644
Total unrestricted funds	<u>55,540</u>	<u>29,940</u>	<u>(836)</u>	<u>(9,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,644</u>
Total funds	<u><u>55,755</u></u>	<u><u>48,815</u></u>	<u><u>(28,500)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>76,070</u></u>

12. Purposes of restricted funds

Families & Young People's Work - This fund is for the employment and training of Families and Young People's Workers under the auspices of St George's Church.

13. Related party disclosures

Trustees Karen Foster and Simon Jordan were members of St George's PCC in 2022.

THE DAGENHAM GOSPEL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1101492

Accounts

Dagenham Gospel Trust

(A company limited by guarantee)

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for the year ended 31 December 2021

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Company No: 4964578

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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name:	Dagenham Gospel Trust
Charity registration number:	1101492
Company registration number:	4964578
Registered Office:	86 Rogers Road, Dagenham, RM10 8JX

Trustees

Simon Jordan	Chair of Trustees
Karen Foster	
Helen Read	
Kay Tidman	Appointed November 2021

Secretary

Sydney Jordan

Independent Examiner

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Objects

The objects of the Charity stated in the Memorandum and Articles of Association are the advancement of the Christian Faith particularly in the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham by the support, deployment and training of Christian ministers and workers committed to the proclamation and teaching of the Word of God and testimony of Jesus Christ as set forth in Scripture and the provision of other resources for Christian ministry.

Activities

The activities of the Trust flow from its objects and are split between the support and deployment of Christian workers and the training of Christian workers. When planning our activities, the Trustees have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

Support and deployment of Christian workers

In 2021 the Trust employed Shona Hannant as full-time Children's and Families Worker at St George's Church in Dagenham.

Training of Christian workers

From time to time the Trust also makes grants to train men and women in Christian ministry.

The Trustees did not make any grants in 2021.

Achievements and Performance

Notable achievements during the year included:

- The continuation of activities for children and families using Zoom in the spring of 2021 when Covid restrictions were still in force.
- The resumption of the regular programme for under 11s at St George's Church as Covid restrictions were lifted. These include a toddler group and after-school clubs for 4-7s and 7-11s, as well as activities on a Sunday morning.
- Children and families returning after the pandemic, as well as new children and families coming for the first time.
- Ongoing training of leaders and helpers to ensure that all children and their families can learn in a caring and safe environment.

Financial Review

The Trust continued to receive a mixture of regular and one-off donations from individuals and churches.

- Income increased to £31,130 from £27,515 in 2020. This included a one-off donation under Gift Aid of £5,000.
- Expenditure increased to £31,463 from £25,634 in 2020. This included an additional salary payment and pension contributions paid to the Children's and Families Worker to reflect cost of living increases that the Trust had not made since 2017.

As at 31 December 2021, the accounts show a fund balance of £55,755.

Donated services

Donated services were provided for accounting and general administration on a voluntary basis. No Trustees received any remuneration during the period.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have a policy where funds held by the Trust should be no less than the annual salary cost. This is to ensure that staff can be employed for the coming year and to allow time to raise the necessary funds.

Plans for Future Periods

Based on pledges from current donors, the Trustees forecast that the Trust's commitments in 2022, namely the salary cost for the Children's and Families Worker, will be met in full.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee, incorporated on 14 November 2003 and registered as a charity on 13 January 2004. The Company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

Appointment of Trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association a minimum of three Trustees must be in office at any one time and at each AGM one third of the Trustees must retire, but may be reappointed.

The Trust currently has four Trustees. Individuals are selected on the basis of Christian maturity and their commitment to the aims and objectives of the Trust. Under the Articles of Association, all Trustees are required to sign assent to the definition of the Christian Faith described in the Articles, on appointment and annually thereafter.

Trustee Induction and Training

Any person on the Electoral Roll of St George's Church who is appointed to serve as a Trustee will already be familiar with the Christian ministry among families and young people in Dagenham and the training of Christian ministers and workers at St George's Church. The chairman and secretary of Dagenham Gospel Trust will provide new Trustees with copies of the Trust's governing documents and the documents for new trustees published by the Charity Commission and will brief them regarding the operation of the Trust and their duties and responsibilities as a trustee of the Trust.

Management and Administration

The Trustees meet at least twice a year to review the performance and finances of the Trust and other issues that arise. Each Trustee has one vote, and the chairman has an additional casting vote. The Trustees have appointed a secretary to handle correspondence with donors, book-keeping, Gift Aid reclaim, the administration associated with the employment of Christian workers and other day-to-day administration. This work is done on an entirely voluntary basis.

Related Parties

The Trust has a separate legal and financial identity from St George's Church, but has a close association with it in that the Christian workers it employs and pays for are on the ministry team at St George's. Three of the four current trustees are on the Electoral Roll of the church, two of whom serve on its Parochial Church Council.

Risks

The Trustees have considered the major strategic, financial, and operational risks which the Trust faces and confirm that, through regular Trustees' meetings and other reviews, necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks.

The Trustees are monitoring the economic situation in the UK and are keeping the Trust's financial position under review. The main risk is donors reducing or ending their regular giving as a result of the rising cost of living. At the present time the financial position of the Trust remains healthy. However, the Trustees intend to engage with current donors, and seek new donors, to bolster the Trust's income.

Appropriate insurance is taken out to cover against employer's and public liability.

Approved by the Trustees on 15/09/2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Simon Jordan

Simon Jordan
Chair of Trustees

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Dagenham Gospel Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

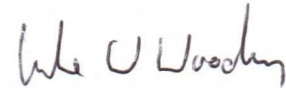
I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination. I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have 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.



L W Woodhams FCCA
Chartered Certified Accountant

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Date: 20/9/2022

**Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds		Total funds	
		2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations	3	9,630	11,655	9,988	4,344	19,618	15,999
Grants	4	2,000	2,000	9,500	9,500	11,500	11,500
Interest		12	16	-	-	12	16
Total income and endowments		11,642	13,671	19,488	13,844	31,130	27,515
Expenditure on:							
Staff costs	5	-	-	30,651	24,822	30,651	24,822
Grants		-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and administration	7	812	812	-	-	812	812
Total expenditure		812	812	30,651	24,822	31,463	25,634
Net income/(expenditure)		10,830	12,859	(11,163)	(10,978)	(333)	1,881
Transfers between funds	11	(11,000)	(11,000)	11,000	11,000	-	-
Net movement in funds		(170)	1,859	(163)	22	(333)	1,881
Total funds brought forward	11	55,710	53,851	378	356	56,088	54,207
Total funds carried forward	11	55,540	55,710	215	378	55,755	56,088

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Notes	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Current assets			
Debtors	9	3,658	2,834
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>52,187</u>	<u>53,859</u>
		<u>55,845</u>	<u>56,693</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	90	605
Total net assets		<u>55,755</u>	<u>56,088</u>
Represented by:			
Restricted income funds	11	215	378
Unrestricted funds	11	<u>55,540</u>	<u>55,710</u>
		<u>55,755</u>	<u>56,088</u>

Audit Exemption Statement

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Approved by the Trustees on 15/9/2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Simon Jordan

Simon Jordan
Chair of Trustees

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a) Basis of preparation

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 (cont'd)

3. Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Donations under Gift Aid	6,880	7,750	14,630	11,335
Income Tax recoverable for Gift Aid donations	1,720	1,938	3,658	2,834
Other donations	1,030	300	1,330	1,830
	<u>9,630</u>	<u>9,988</u>	<u>19,618</u>	<u>15,999</u>

4. Grants

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Christ Church, Mayfair	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Emmanuel, Wimbledon		5,000	5,000	5,000
St Oswalds, Walkergate	-	500	500	500
St Peter's Barge		4,000	4,000	4,000
	<u>2,000</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<u>11,500</u>

5. Staff costs and numbers

Staff costs were as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Salaries and wages	24,534	21,235
Employer's National Insurance contributions	-	-
Pension costs (see Note 6)	6,117	3,587
	<u>30,651</u>	<u>24,822</u>

In 2021, the Trust made an additional salary payment to the Children's and Families Worker to reflect cost of living increases that it had not made since 2017.

The Trust benefitted from the full amount of the Employment Allowance of £3,000 for 2020/21.

The average number of employees during the year:

	2021	2020
Children's and Families Worker	1	1

No employee received total emoluments (excluding employer pension costs) above £60,000.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 (cont'd)

6. Pension costs

	Paid contributions	Outstanding contributions	Total contributions 2021	Total contributions 2020
	£	£	£	£
Children's and Families Worker	6,117	-	6,117	3,587

Defined Contribution

The Trust operates a defined contribution pension scheme with respect to the Children's and Families Worker. The scheme is operated on a non-contributory basis. The Trust makes monthly contributions equivalent to 17.5% gross salary. In 2021, the Trust made an additional pension contribution equivalent to 17.5% of the additional salary payment that it made to the Children's and Families Worker.

7. Management and administration

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Insurance	457	-	457	457
Companies House	13	-	13	13
Independent Examination	342	-	342	342
	<u>812</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>812</u>	<u>812</u>

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8. Taxation

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities

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9. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Income Tax recoverable for Gift Aid donations	<u>3,658</u>	<u>2,834</u>
	<u>3,658</u>	<u>2,834</u>

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Income Tax and National Insurance	-	263
Salary adjustments (back pay)	<u>90</u>	<u>342</u>
	<u>90</u>	<u>605</u>

11. Movements in funds

	At 31 December 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains/ (losses) £	At 31 December 2021 £
Restricted funds:						
Families & Young People's Work	378	19,488	(30,651)	11,000	-	215
Total restricted funds	<u>378</u>	<u>19,488</u>	<u>(30,651)</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>215</u>
Unrestricted funds:						
General funds	55,710	11,642	(812)	(11,000)		55,540
Total unrestricted funds	<u>55,710</u>	<u>11,642</u>	<u>(812)</u>	<u>(11,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,540</u>
Total funds	<u>56,088</u>	<u>31,130</u>	<u>(31,463)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,755</u>

12. Purposes of restricted funds

Families & Young People's Work - This fund is for the employment and training of Families and Young People's Workers under the auspices of St George's Church.

13. Related party disclosures

Trustees Karen Foster and Simon Jordan were members of St George's PCC in 2021.

The total amount of donations received from trustees and related parties was £4,800.

THE DAGENHAM GOSPEL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1101492

Accounts

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In 2020 the Trust employed Shona Hannant as full-time Children's and Families Worker at St George's Church in Dagenham.

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Training of Christian workers

From time to time the Trust also makes grants to train men and women in Christian ministry.

The Trustees did not make any grants in 2020.

Achievements and Performance

Notable achievements during the year included:

- During the first Covid-19 lockdown Shona Hannant created and distributed a series of resource packs for every family in St George's Church to support parents in reading the Bible with their children and praying together.
- Despite lockdown, Shona Hannant mentored a volunteer who used her gap year before going to university to serve in the children's and families ministry at St George's Church.
- With the support of Barking and Dagenham council, Shona Hannant organised a drive-in community carol service which was also livestreamed.

Financial Review

The Trust continued to receive a mixture of regular and one-off donations from individuals, churches, Christian charities, and other grant-making bodies.

- Income decreased to £27,515 from £45,773 in 2019. The main reason for the decrease was no grant from St George's Church (£13,300 in 2019), Simon Smallwood having left as the minister of St George's in July 2019. There was also a 24% reduction in donations and associated Gift Aid.
- Expenditure decreased to £25,634 from £37,258 in 2019. This decrease was due to Simon Smallwood's employment by the Trust having ended when he moved to a new post in July 2019, leaving Shona Hannant as the only employee.

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Donated services

Donated services were provided for accounting and general administration on a voluntary basis. No Trustees received any remuneration during the period.

Reserves policy

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Appointment of Trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association a minimum of three Trustees must be in office at any one time and at each AGM, one third of the Trustees must retire, but may be reappointed.

The Trust currently has three Trustees, two of whom are members of the Parochial Church Council of St George's, Becontree. Individuals are selected on the basis of Christian maturity and their commitment to the aims and objectives of the Trust. Under the Articles of Association, all Trustees are required to sign assent to the definition of the Christian Faith described in the Articles, on appointment and annually thereafter.

Trustee Induction and Training

Any person on the Electoral Roll of St George's Church who is appointed to serve as a Trustee will already be familiar with the Christian ministry among families and young people in Dagenham and the training of Christian ministers and workers at St George's Church. The chairman and secretary of Dagenham Gospel Trust will provide new Trustees with copies of the Trust's governing documents and the documents for new trustees published by the Charity Commission and will brief them regarding the operation of the Trust and their duties and responsibilities as a trustee of the Trust.

Management and Administration

The Trustees meet at least twice a year, to review the performance and finances of the Trust and other issues that arise. Each Trustee has one vote, and the chairman has an additional casting vote. The Trustees have appointed a secretary to handle correspondence with donors, book-keeping, Gift Aid reclaim, the administration associated with the employment of Christian workers and other day-to-day administration. This work is done on an entirely voluntary basis.

Related Parties

The Trust has a separate legal and financial identity from St George's Church, but has a close association with it in that the Christian workers it employs and pays for are on the ministry team at St George's. Two of the three current trustees are on the Electoral Roll of the church, both of whom serve on the PCC.

Risks

The Trustees have considered the major strategic, financial, and operational risks which the Trust faces and confirm that, through regular Trustees' meetings and other reviews, necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks

The Trustees continue to monitor the Covid-19 pandemic and are keeping the Trust's financial position under review. The main risk is donors reducing or ending their regular giving as a result of the economic downturn. At the present time, the financial position of the Trust remains healthy. However, the Trustees intend to engage with current donors, and seek new donors, to bolster the Trust's income in these uncertain times.

Appropriate insurance is taken out to cover against employer's and public liability.

Approved by the Trustees on 9/9/21 and signed on their behalf by:

Simon Jordan

Simon Jordan
Chairman

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Dagenham Gospel Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination. I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have 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.



**L W Woodhams FCCA
Chartered Certified Accountant**

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Date: 16/09/2021

**Statement of Financial Activities (Including Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds		Total funds	
		2020 £	2019 £	2020 £	2019 £	2020 £	2019 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations	3	11,655	12,260	4,344	8,687	15,999	20,947
Grants	4	2,000	2,000	9,500	22,800	11,500	24,800
Interest		16	26	-	-	16	26
Total Income and endowments		13,671	14,286	13,844	31,487	27,515	45,773
Expenditure on:							
Staff costs	5	-	-	24,822	36,456	24,822	36,456
Grants		-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and administration	7	812	802	-	-	812	802
Total expenditure		812	802	24,822	36,456	25,634	37,258
Net income/(expenditure)		12,859	13,484	(10,978)	(4,969)	1,881	8,515
Transfers between funds	11	(11,000)	(886)	11,000	886	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses)							
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes	6	-	17,000	-	-	-	17,000
Net movement in funds		1,859	29,598	22	(4,083)	1,881	25,515
Total funds brought forward	11	53,851	24,253	356	4,439	54,207	28,692
Total funds carried forward	11	55,710	53,851	378	356	56,088	54,207

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Notes	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Current assets			
Debtors	9	2,834	3,827
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>53,859</u>	<u>50,880</u>
		<u>56,693</u>	<u>54,707</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	605	500
Total net assets excluding pension liability		<u>56,088</u>	<u>54,207</u>
Pension liability	6	-	-
Total net assets		<u><u>56,088</u></u>	<u><u>54,207</u></u>
Represented by:			
Restricted income funds	11	378	356
Unrestricted funds	11	<u>55,710</u>	<u>53,851</u>
		<u><u>56,088</u></u>	<u><u>54,207</u></u>

Audit Exemption Statement

For the year ending 31 December 2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

Approved by the Trustees on 9/9/21 and signed on their behalf by:

Simon Jordan

Simon Jordan
Chairman

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Dagenham Gospel Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

b) Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

Based on pledges from current donors, the Trustees forecast that the salary cost for 2020 will be met in full.

c) Income

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Gift Aid is recognised on the date of the donation and recovered on an annual basis. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are donations receivable without further specified purpose and are available as general funds. Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund. Details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in note 12.

e) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

f) Pensions

The Trust operates a defined contribution pension scheme with respect to the Families and Young People's Worker. The Trust participated in the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme with respect to the Rev'd Simon Smallwood until July 2019 when Rev'd Smallwood moved to a new post.

2. Legal status of the Trust

The company was incorporated on 14 November 2003 as a company limited by guarantee. Every member of the company promises if the company is dissolved while he or she is a member, or within 12 months afterwards, to pay up to £1 towards the costs of dissolution and the liabilities incurred by the company while the contributor was a member.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020 (cont'd)

3. Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2020	Total funds 2019
	£	£	£	£
Donations under Gift Aid	8,100	3,235	11,335	15,310
Income Tax recoverable for Gift Aid donations	2,025	809	2,834	3,827
Other donations	1,530	300	1,830	1,810
	<u>11,655</u>	<u>4,344</u>	<u>15,999</u>	<u>20,947</u>

4. Grants

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2020	Total funds 2019
	£	£	£	£
Christ Church, Mayfair	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Emmanuel, Wimbledon	-	5,000	5,000	5,000
St George's, Becontree	-	-	-	13,300
St Oswalds, Walkergate	-	500	500	500
St Peter's Barge	-	4,000	4,000	4,000
	<u>2,000</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<u>24,800</u>

5. Staff costs and numbers

Staff costs were as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Salaries and wages	21,235	29,440
Employer's National Insurance contributions	-	-
Pension costs (see Note 6)	3,587	7,016
	<u>24,822</u>	<u>36,456</u>

The Trust benefitted from the full amount of the Employment Allowance of £3,000 for 2019/20.

The average number of employees during the year:

	2020	2019
Families and Young People's Worker (Shona Hannant)	1	1
Church of England Minister (Simon Smallwood)	0	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

Rev'd Simon Smallwood's employment ended in July 2019 when he moved to a new post.
No employee received total emoluments (excluding employer pension costs) above £60,000.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020 (cont'd)

6. Pension costs

	Paid contributions	Outstanding contributions	Total contributions 2020	Total contributions 2019
	£	£	£	£
Shona Hannant	3,587	-	3,587	3,458
Simon Smallwood	-	-	-	3,558
	<u>3,587</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,587</u>	<u>7,016</u>

Defined Contribution

The Trust operates a defined contribution pension scheme with respect to the Families and Young People's Worker. The scheme is operated on a non-contributory basis. The Trust makes monthly contributions equivalent to 17.5% gross salary.

Defined Benefit - Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme

The Trust participated in the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme with respect to the Rev'd Simon Smallwood until July 2019 when he moved to a new post.

7. Management and administration

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2020	Total funds 2019
	£	£	£	£
Insurance	457	-	457	447
Companies House	13	-	13	13
Independent Examination	342	-	342	342
	<u>812</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>812</u>	<u>802</u>

Donated services have been provided for accounting, general administration and legal advice.

This was all given on a voluntary basis, and is not recorded in the accounts.

No Trustees received any remuneration or reimbursement for expenses during the period.

8. Taxation

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities

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9. Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Income Tax recoverable for Gift Aid donations	2,834	3,827
	<u>2,834</u>	<u>3,827</u>

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Income Tax and National Insurance	263	271
Salary adjustments (back pay)	342	229
	<u>605</u>	<u>500</u>

11. Movements in funds

	At 31 December 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains/ (losses) £	At 31 December 2020 £
Restricted funds:						
Families & Young People's Work	356	13,844	(24,822)	11,000	-	378
Total restricted funds	<u>356</u>	<u>13,844</u>	<u>(24,822)</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>378</u>
Unrestricted funds:						
General funds	53,851	13,671	(812)	(11,000)	-	55,710
Total unrestricted funds	<u>53,851</u>	<u>13,671</u>	<u>(812)</u>	<u>(11,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,710</u>
Total funds	<u><u>54,207</u></u>	<u><u>27,515</u></u>	<u><u>(25,634)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>56,088</u></u>

12. Purposes of restricted funds

Families & Young People's Work - This fund is for the employment and training of Families and Young People's Workers under the auspices of St George's Church.

13. Related party disclosures

Trustees Karen Foster and Simon Jordan were members of St George's PCC in 2019. Helen Read was assistant treasurer for St George's PCC until September 2020 but was not a member of the PCC.

The total amount of donations received from trustees and related parties was £4,800.