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The Vine Christian School (Reading)

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2022**

Report of the Trustees for the year to 31 August 2022

Registered Charity Number;

1104385

Principal Address

Three Mile Cross Church
Basingstoke Road
Three Mile Cross
Reading
RG7 1AT

Trustees

Babu Samuel
Rudolf Esterhuizen
Robert Wheeler

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of Trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity. The charity is governed by a declaration of Trust dated 10 June 2004.

Risk management

Risk assessment is an ongoing management process within the charity. Uppermost among those that have been identified is the risk of employing staff with inappropriate background records or experience who may be detrimental to the principles and values of the charity. In order to avoid that risk, all appointments are carefully considered to ensure that, as far as possible, that risk is minimized. The financial risks are centered on the need to ensure future funding, which is alleviated by healthy student numbers and fees.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's principal activities comprise the advancement of education for children between the ages of 3 and 18 years that promotes the Christian Faith, in particular by the provision of a School based upon biblical principles, values and doctrines, that nurtures good character as well as high academic achievement.

Public benefit

The School provides education for students from all walks of life and, in particular, provides bursaries for children whose families are unable to meet the full costs of their education. By providing a fully rounded education to a high standard the school is able to bring students to maturity so that they can make a useful contribution to society as a whole. The bursary fund assists in meeting the public benefit requirement by providing funds for less advantaged students.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The school continued to use the Accelerated Christian Education (ACE) curriculum system, which is used throughout the world, and which makes the Bible the point of reference in all subjects. Regular games and sporting activities took place throughout the year. Students collected food, clothing and blankets for families in the Ukraine.

Ofsted inspected the school in October 2021 and this resulted in the school gaining a status of "Good". Notes on how the school can improve and achieve "Outstanding" at the next inspection were readily accepted and measures to implement these have been taken. The new status meant preschool funding was reinstated.

There were 24 pupils in the main school and 5 in the preschool for the year 2021 – 2022. In the academic year 2021-2022 the pupils' average pass mark achieved over all subjects was 94%. Our goal is to make our education affordable and accessible and so we continue to offer financial assistance as needed. In January 2020 we launched a new Bursary Fund to formally manage that financial assistance and were able to offer a portion of the bursary fund to one family.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The charity has succeeded in establishing its reputation in the field of Christian education within the area in which it is located, and the trustees aim to improve the quality of education to an increasing number of students in the coming years.

The school is continuing to develop material to complement the ACE curriculum which will enable students to have a broad and balanced education comparable to the national curriculum.

Explore options to expand our outside play area, through approaching the owner of the pub next door to discuss the possibility of us using the grass area at the end of his carpark.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on May 25 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Bob Wheeler 2023-05-26

Mr R Wheeler
Chair

Independent examiner's report to the trustees for the year to 31 August 2022

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

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|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------|
| Report to the trustees/ members of | The Vine Christian School | | |
| On accounts for the year ended | 31 st August 2022 | Charity no (if any) | 1104385 |
| Set out on pages | 2-4 | | |

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me 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 accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:



Date:

2023-05-26

Name:

Rachel Eden

Independent examiner's report to the trustees for the year to 31 August 2022**Relevant professional qualification(s) or body:**

CIMA

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 August 2022

| | Notes | 2022 £ Unrestricted Fund | 2021 £ Unrestricted Fund |
|--|--------------|---|---|
| INCOMING RESOURCES | | | |
| Incoming resources from generated funds | | | |
| Voluntary income | | 1,141 | 1,800 |
| Incoming resources from charitable activities | | | |
| Education | | 128,367 | 58,421 |
| Pre-School Education | | 20,259 | 33,021 |
| Other incoming resources | | | |
| Miscellaneous income | | 1 | - |
| Total incoming resources | | <u>149,769</u> | <u>93,242</u> |
| RESOURCES EXPENDED | | | |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 104,330 | 100,391 |
| Education | | | |
| Net incoming resources | | 45,438 | (7,149) |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 7,028 | 14,035 |
| Bursary fund net outgoings | | - | - |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | <u>52,579</u> | <u>7,028</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

| | <i>Note</i> | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|---------------------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | | | |
| Tangible assets | 4 | 2,137 | 3,205 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Debtors | | 12,742 | 2,506 |
| Bank | | 47,681 | 19,882 |
| Cash | | 87 | 81 |
| | | 47,767 | 22,469 |
| CREDITORS | | | |
| Fees in advance | | - | 8,996 |
| Parent deposits | | 8,450 | 9,450 |
| Other creditors | | 933 | 200 |
| Accruals | | 984 | |
| | | 10,367 | 18,646 |
| Net current assets | | 50,142 | 3,823 |
| Net assets | | 52,279 | 7,028 |
| FUNDS | | | |
| Unrestricted; General | | 47,909 | 2,658 |
| Restricted; Bursary | | 4,370 | 4,370 |
| | | 52,279 | 7,028 |

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on May 25 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

Deon Esterhuizen

2023-05-26

Mr D Esterhuizen
Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees

Restricted funds can only be used for the particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise then specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

2 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for either the year ended 31 August 2021 or 31 August 2020.

3 STAFF COSTS

| STAFF COSTS | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Wages and salaries | 69,814 | 72,937 |
| Pension | 3,742 | 2,581 |

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|----------|---|---|
| Teaching | 8 | 8 |
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The charity operated a defined contribution pension scheme the cost of which is included above.

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

| | Computers & Equipment £ |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS | |
| COST | |
| At 1 September 2021 | 7,459 |
| Additions in the year | - |
| As at 31 August 2022 | 7,459 |
| DEPRECIATION | |
| At 1 September 2020 | 4,254 |
| Charge for the year | 1,068 |
| As at 31 August 2022 | 5,322 |
| NET BOOK VALUE | |
| At 31 August 2022 | 2,137 |
| At 31 August 2021 | 3,525 |

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 August 2022

| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| INCOMING RESOURCES | | |
| Incoming resources from generated funds | | |
| Voluntary income | | |
| Gifts | 1,141 | 1,800 |
| Incoming resources from charitable activities | | |
| School Fees | 128,367 | 58,421 |
| Pre-School Fees | 20,259 | 33,021 |
| Other incoming resources | | |
| Miscellaneous income | 1 | 771 |
| Total incoming resources | | 94,013 |
| RESOURCES EXPENDED | | |
| Charitable activities | | |
| Wages and Social Security | 69,814 | 72,937 |
| Pensions | 3,742 | 2,581 |
| Teaching Materials | 8,713 | 10,504 |
| School trips and sport | 5,071 | 706 |
| Equipment, computers | 948 | 154 |
| Training | 1,881 | 1,923 |
| Insurance | 1,067 | 1,055 |
| Merit shop | - | 344 |
| Ofsted | - | 1,161 |
| Travel | 2,021 | 1,723 |
| Convention | - | 343 |
| Refurbishment | 1,582 | 1,599 |
| Depreciation | 1,068 | 1,068 |
| CCPAS, IAPS | - | 391 |
| | 95,907 | 96,489 |
| Support costs | | |
| Office Expenses | 8,423 | 3,902 |
| | 8,423 | 3,902 |
| Total resources expended | 104,330 | 100,391 |
| Net surplus (deficit) | 45,438 | (6,378) |

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