

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

England & Wales · Charity number 1124616

Details

Other names CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING LIMITED

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2008-06-20

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

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Activities

Objects: TO DEVELOP THE WORK OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN DORKING BY THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION; RELIEF OF POVERTY, SUFFERING, SICKNESS AND DISTRESS, THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION AND ADVANCEMENT OF OTHER SUCH PURPOSES AS ARE CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENGLISH LAW.

Activities: Acting as a network between churches and encouraging interchurch activity including the "Soul Connect" identity for the Christian Youth in Dorking. Fund raising for charities. Operating foodbank to cover Dorking and surrounding villages.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Area of benefit: DORKING
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£110,346	£104,700	-	-
2023-12-31	£184,632	£137,092	-	-
2022-12-31	£108,109	£89,479	-	-
2021-12-31	£106,952	£70,780	-	-
2020-12-31	£106,952	£70,780	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Justine Ryan		2023-12-15
Nicola Freeman		2023-12-15
Paul Kenneth Alexander Studley		2025-04-08
Rosemary Elias		2017-01-26
Wayne Paul Kitcat		2018-03-06

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Accounts

Company Number: 06560738

Charity Number: 1124616

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

ANNUAL REPORT

31 DECEMBER 2024

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The trustees present their report and the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking ("the charity") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, and 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**Charitable objectives**

The Charity's objects are to develop the work of the Christian church in Dorking and the surrounding area by the advancement of the Christian religion; relief of poverty, suffering, sickness and distress, the advancement of education and other such activities as are charitable and in accordance with English Law.

Charitable activities

The charity's principal activity in pursuit of its charitable objectives is to act as a meeting point for local churches and their representatives to work together on specific projects and coordinate joint worship events. There are currently 15 Christian member organizations. A key activity has been the operation of the Foodbank. We also collect for a Fuel Fund to assist households having difficulty paying fuel bills. The charity helped the local authorities distribute the Household Support Fund allocated to them. The Methodist church no longer meets in Dorking, but the Dorking and Horsham Methodist Circuit have now taken over running the Christian Centre. The foodbank uses the Christian Centre café as its Distribution Centre.

Foodbank

The Dorking Area Foodbank supports anyone in Dorking and the surrounding villages who, for whatever reason, have reached a financial crisis point and cannot afford to feed themselves. It's an organic community project with local people giving food, money, and their time to help other local people in need. The foodbank is entrusted to manage and coordinate these valuable and generous resources promptly, efficiently, and responsibly and operates under an agreement with The Trussell Trust.

Of the 31.1 tonnes of food donated to us and supplemented by purchases by us in 2024, approximately two thirds were distributed via our twice-weekly foodbank sessions at the Christian Centre, with the remainder distributed through other outreach activities throughout the community. Our activities have continued to be particularly challenging this year for the Foodbank, which has strived to be creative and supportive in its activities to support families who have suffered hardships because of the growing cost of living crisis. Initiatives have included Christmas treat bags for each Foodbank client, hampers to another local charity, BESOM, 'Holiday Hunger' boost food bags, emergency food bags and breakfast bags for distribution by schools. We also provide fresh produce (including cheese and eggs) at the distribution centre in addition to the tinned and dried food already provided. This is proving very popular with our clients.

The foodbank currently works with 93 referral agencies. Our message to the referral agencies has always been not to delay in sending a client to the foodbank if they have any practical challenges in issuing a food voucher.

When the Churches of Dorking Housing Association Ltd closed in December 2024, they gave the ground lease on two flats at 24 Howard Road to Churches Together in Dorking, and this benefits the foodbank.

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Fuel Fund

The Fuel fund supports anyone in Dorking and the surrounding villages who, for whatever reason, have reached a financial crisis point and cannot afford fuel. It is largely supported by the government Household Support Fund supplemented by those who donate their Winter Fuel Allowance.

These funds are distributed through the foodbank.

Household Support Fund

Grants to alleviate hardship particularly in the winter and support households in need of essentials were received and were distributed by the Foodbank team. Among these grants received in the year were £55,500 from Mole Valley District Council and Surrey County Council. The various uses they were put to included buying school uniforms and food and providing help with energy and water bills.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**Food parcels distributed**

In the year to 31 December 2024, a total of 3,483 people were fed, of which 1,956 were adults and 1,527 were children. In the year to 31 December 2023, 3,235 people were fed, of which 1,889 were adults and 1,346 were children.

School holiday support – 791 food bags distributed to families in the year to 31 December 2024 including 266 at Christmas 2024

Number of **referral agencies** (who can issue vouchers for the foodbank) - 93.

Number of **current volunteers** – 83

Fuel assistance – We continue to work with Energy Manage to deliver managed support for clients with their fuel bills. From the launch of the new project in May 2024 until 31 December 2024 over 50 clients have been supported to get into a better position with their electricity and gas bills with over £17,000 of debt tackled.

FINANCIAL REVIEW**Financial results of activities and events**

The activities of the charity generated total income of £110,346 (2023 £184,632) and its total expenditure amounted to £104,700 (2023 £137,092). The resulting surplus of £5,646 (2023 £47,540) has been added to charity funds.

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Reserves policy

The trustees recognise the need to retain reserves to ensure the long-term and efficient running of the Dorking Area Foodbank. They have carried out a review of the key financial risks for the charity and have identified three main issues:

- a) Potential loss of the use of the warehouse - in May 2024, the Foodbank moved into a warehouse provided by Mole Valley District Council on a licence at a peppercorn rent. This licence can be terminated with three months' notice. If the Foodbank was asked to leave this warehouse, it would be necessary to obtain alternative space in Dorking for the warehouse and office, however, there are few affordable options available locally.
- b) Reduction in financial and food donations - We have seen reductions in both financial donations and donations of food over the last few years, since a peak in awareness of the activity of foodbanks during and immediately after the Covid-19 pandemic. The Trussell Trust has recognised that this reduction is unlikely to reverse, and donations are likely to revert to pre-pandemic levels. We have also benefited from donations from Mole Valley District Council and Surrey County Council for the last few years. It is not certain that these will continue, given the likely restructuring of local government.
- c) On-going need for the Foodbank - the Trussell Trust have advised us to expect continuing need from our clients due to the "cost of living crisis" with increased prices for essentials including food and utilities and no increase in income.

The trustees consider that the reserves held by the charity at the end of 2024 are adequate to address these risks.

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial forecasts for the charity and have considered its anticipated income and expenditure commitments for a period of twelve months from the date of approval of this trustees' annual report. The trustees believe that the charity has adequate resources and the reserves needed to operate for at least the next twelve months and to meet its liabilities. The trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The trustees regularly review the risks to which the charity might be exposed, safeguarding and health and safety, and risks which are covered by insurance. The most serious risk is that the charity fails to secure sufficient funds to support its activities.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**Status and History**

Churches Together in Dorking is a registered charity, and a company limited by guarantee, not having share capital. Every member undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 to the assets of the charity in the event of the charity being wound-up during the period of membership, or within one year thereafter.

Churches Together in Dorking (originally known as Churches Together in Dorking Limited) was incorporated on 9 April 2008 and became a registered charity on 20 June 2008. The charity is governed by the rules and regulations set down in its company Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 9 April 2008.

Method of Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association sets out how trustees are to be appointed.

Trustees' Responsibilities in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The trustees (who are also the directors of Churches Together in Dorking for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees are preparing the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and applicable law).

Under company law, the trustees must not approve financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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 keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

During 2024 CTD continued to take advantage of the higher interest rate paid to a deposit account with CAF Bank. Most of our money was transferred to this account, leaving a smaller amount in the current account for day-to-day transactions.

Independent Examiner

David Bassett FCCA, as the charity's independent examiner, has indicated his willingness to continue as the Charity's independent examiner.

Statement as to Disclosure of Information to the Independent Examiner

The trustees and directors at the date of approval of this trustees' annual report confirm that so far as each of them is aware, there is no relevant information of which the independent examiner is unaware, and the trustees and

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directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The trustees of the charity, who are also the directors of the company, have held office throughout the year except as where stated. The Trustees and directors are as follows: -

- Rosemary Elias (Chair)
- Nicola Freeman (from 15 December 2023)
- Wayne Kitcat (Secretary)
- Justine Ryan (from 15 December 2023)
- Paul Studley (from 8 April 2025)

The principal address of the charity and the registered office of the company is: The Presbytery, 2, Falkland Grove, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DL.

The charity is registered under the charity number 1124616.

The company is incorporated with the company registration number 06560738.

The trustees have made the following appointment:

Independent Examiner: David Bassett, Tamar, Harrow Road East, Dorking, RH4 2AX.

Treasurer: David Wells. (until 31 December 2024)
Catherine Matthews, (With effect from 1 January 2025)

Management: Day to day management of the operation of the Dorking Area Foodbank is undertaken by Katy Harris at the Food Bank Office, The Christian Centre, Church Street, Dorking. RH4 1DW

Bank: CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ.

EXEMPTIONS FROM DISCLOSURE

No exemptions from the disclosure requirements applicable to a small charity have been taken in this trustees' annual report.

INVESTMENTS HELD

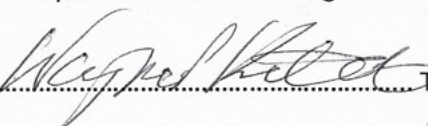
Ground lease on flats at 24 Howard Road, Dorking. No valuation has been obtained of this holding.

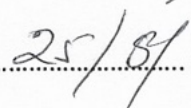
FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

The charity maintains restricted funds to deal with incoming resources that are earmarked for a particular purpose by donors and other funders. The Charity does not hold funds as a custodian trustee on behalf of third parties.

APPROVAL OF TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

This report was approved by the trustees on 25th August 2025, and was signed for and on behalf of the board by

Wayne Paul Kitcat  Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

I report on the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking (Charity No. 1124616; Company No. 06560738) for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 8 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The 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 financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act.
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

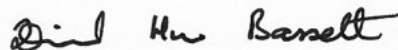
My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as 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 financial statements present a "true and fair view", and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention, which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- the accounts accord with such records; and
- the accounts comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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; and
- the accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102)

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.



David Bassett FCCA

Tamar

Harrow Road East

Dorking

Date: 27/8/2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		2024	2024	2024	2023
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME:					
Donations and legacies		1,020	50,023	51,043	124,322
Local authority grants		0	55,500	55,500	60,310
Investment income	6.5	0	3,803	3,803	0
TOTAL INCOME	2	1,020	109,326	110,346	184,632
EXPENDITURE:					
Charitable Activities	3	60	104,640	104,700	137,092
NET INCOME AND NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		960	4,686	5,646	47,540
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Fund balances brought forward		11,157	155,637	166,794	119,254
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2024		12,117	160,323	172,440	166,794

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BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	2024	2023
FIXED ASSETS		£	£
Investments	6.5	902	902
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and Prepayments		3,728	3,269
Cash at the bank and in hand		169,663	163,414
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		173,391	166,683
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	1,853	791
NET CURRENT ASSETS		171,538	165,892
TOTAL NET ASSETS		172,440	166,794

FUNDS OF THE CHARITY

	Notes	2024	2023
Unrestricted funds	6	12,117	11,157
Restricted funds	6	160,323	155,637
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		172,440	166,794

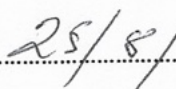
For the year ended 31 December 2024, the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") relating to small companies.

The trustees' and directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act,
- The trustees and directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees and authorized for issue on 25th August 2025, and are signed on their behalf by:

Wayne Paul Kitcat  Trustee

 25/8/2025

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	£	£
Net cash provided by operating activities	6,249	45,380
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	6,249	45,380
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	163,414	118,034
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	169,663	163,414

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of accounting**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and under the historical cost convention. Within the definitions of FRS 102, the charity is a public benefit entity. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, and 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).

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial forecasts for the charity and have considered its anticipated income and expenditure commitments for a period of twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The trustees believe that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for at least the next twelve months and to meet all its liabilities during that period as they fall due. For that reason, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Income

General donations and other similar types of voluntary income are brought into account when receivable and donated income is included gross of any attributable tax recoverable, where relevant. Donations given for specific purposes are treated as restricted income.

Grants

The charity received grants from local government which had conditions as to how they were used, and these are shown separately within restricted funds. The details of grants received, and amount spent are shown in note 6 with details of the impact being given in the Trustee's Report on Page 2 under Achievements and Performance.

Donations to the foodbank

Donations of food collected and distributed are measured by weight. The weight collected and distributed during the year is disclosed in note 6. The Trussell Trust recommends that we use £2.77 per kg for 2024 (which was £2.37 for 2023) to calculate the value of these donations.

Expenditure

Resources expended are allocated to the charity's principal activity as direct costs, where the costs can be identified as being directly related to that activity. Any costs that cannot be specifically categorized are allocated in proportions based upon a suitable ratio applicable to the nature of the cost involved.

Taxation

The company is a registered charity and, as such, its income and gains falling due under section 471 to 489 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 are exempt from corporate tax to the extent that they are applied to its charitable objectives.

Fund accounting

The general fund comprises the accumulated surpluses of unrestricted incoming resources over resources expended, which are available for use in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

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Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors. The purpose and use of the restricted funds are set out in the Trustee's Report on pages 2 to 6.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023	2023	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	1,020	0	1,020	960	0	960
CODHAL donation	0	0	0	0	10,902	10,902
Foodbank donations	0	49,523	49,523	0	99,495	99,495
Heating donations	0	375	375	0	0	0
Bank interest	0	3,603	3,603	0	1,063	1,063
Ground rent	0	200	200	0	0	0
Grants from:						
Trussell Trust	0	125	125	0	11,902	11,902
Mole Valley District Council	0	22,500	22,500	0	40,930	40,930
Surrey County Council	0	33,000	33,000	0	19,380	19,380
TOTAL	1,020	109,326	110,346	960	183,672	184,632

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023	2023	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs (see note 4)	0	39,136	39,136	0	21,553	21,553
Bank charges	60	0	60	66	0	66
Insurance	0	492	492	0	437	437
Administrative costs	0	7,345	7,345	35	2,750	2,785
Food Bank expenditure	0	5,891	5,891	0	46,260	46,260
Fuel Fund expenditure	0	1,065	1,065	0	20,361	20,361
MVDC Grant expenditure	0	26,914	26,914	0	32,058	32,058
SCC Grant expenditure	0	23,797	23,797	0	13,572	13,572
TOTAL	60	104,640	104,700	101	136,991	137,092

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**4. STAFF COSTS**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Salary and wages	0	38,572	38,572	21,553
Social security costs	0	0	0	0
Pension costs	0	564	564	0
Total staff costs	0	39,136	39,136	21,553

The average monthly number of employees was 5 (2023: 3) and all are part-time which equates to the equivalent of 1.46 (2023: 0.96) of full-time employees. All employees are engaged only in charitable activities.

5. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Tax & NI	615	224
Other	1,238	567
	1,853	791

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**6. THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY**

Movement in 2024		Balance at	Income	Expenditure	Balance at
		1/1/24			31/12/24
		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds		11,157	1,020	60	12,117
Restricted funds					
Foodbank	6.1	138,779	53,451	52,864	139,366
Fuel fund	6.2	690	375	1,065	0
SCC winter hardship grant	6.3	7,297	33,000	23,797	16,500
MVDC household support grant	6.4	8,871	22,500	26,914	4,457
Total Restricted funds		155,637	109,326	104,640	160,323
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		166,794	110,346	104,700	172,440

The charity purchases supermarket vouchers for clients to supplement food donated, and to buy food to supplement stock levels. At the end of 2024 the charity held £3,792.70 of vouchers that had not yet been used.

Movement in 2023		Balance at	Income	Expenditure	Balance at
		1/1/23			31/12/23
		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds		10,298	960	101	11,157
Restricted funds					
Foodbank	6.1	104,802	104,976	70,999	138,779
Fuel fund	6.2	2,665	18,386	20,361	690
SCC winter hardship grant	6.3	1,489	19,380	13,572	7,297
MVDC household support grant	6.4	-	40,930	32,059	8,871
Total Restricted funds		108,956	183,672	136,991	155,637
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		119,254	184,632	137,092	166,794

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**6.1. Foodbank**

The Foodbank administers specific monetary donations by churches, organizations and individuals covering Dorking and the surrounding villages.

The value of the 29.2 tonnes of goods distributed during 2024 was equivalent to a value of £80,884 (2023 £79,869). The stock is valued at £2,770 per tonne (up from £2,370 per tonne in 2023) for the food and goods donated and distributed.

6.2. Fuel Fund

The Fuel fund represents specific monetary donations by churches, organizations, and individuals to assist those who are having difficulty paying for heating.

6.3. Winter Hardship Fund

This fund represents specific monetary grants made by Surrey County Council (SCC) for relief of winter hardship. The charity provides reports to SCC on the use of this fund.

6.4. Household Support Fund

This fund represents specific monetary grants made by Mole Valley District Council (MVDC) for household support. The charity provides reports to MVDC on the use of this fund.

6.5. Investment Income

The company's investment income include bank interest of £3,603 (2023 nil) and rent of £200 (2023 nil).

Dorking Area Foodbank owns the freehold to the two flats at 24 Howard Road. The lease generates an income from each flat, of £100 annually, due on 25 March. The charity receives no other payment from these flats and has no financial liability for any repairs that may be needed.

The lease on the lower flat expires on 24 December 2175.

The lease on the upper flat expires on 26 November 2143.

The table below lists the ground rent from each flat

Annual rent	Lower flat until	Upper flat until
£100	25 December 2047	26 November 2051
£200	25 December 2080	26 November 2084
£400	25 December 2113	26 November 2117
£800	24 December 2175	26 November 2143

6.6. Funds Held as Custodians for Other Charities

No funds were collected or held on behalf of other charities during the year.

6.7. Related Party Transactions

None of the trustees (or any persons related to them) received any remuneration during the current or previous period. The trustees made total donations of £540 (£675 including gift aid) during the year 2024, this compares with £803 in 2023.

The only transactions undertaken with related parties during the current or previous year were the monthly direct debit payment for the Foodbank's mobile phone which is paid from a trustee's personal account for which reimbursement is obtained periodically £239 (2023 £402) and the PAYE tax and NI £840 (2023 £224).

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ANNUAL REPORT

31 DECEMBER 2023

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The trustees present their report and the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking ("the charity") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

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The charity's principal activity in pursuit of its charitable objectives is to act as a meeting point for local churches and their representatives to work together on specific projects and coordinate joint worship events. There are currently 15 Christian member organizations. A key activity has been the operation of the Foodbank. We also collect for a Fuel Fund to assist households having difficulty paying fuel bills. The charity helped the local authorities distribute the Household Support Fund allocated to them. The Methodist church no longer meets in Dorking, but the Dorking and Horsham Methodist Circuit have now taken over running the Christian Centre. The foodbank uses the Christian Centre café as its Distribution Centre.

Foodbank

The Dorking Area Foodbank supports anyone in Dorking and the surrounding villages who, for whatever reason, have reached a financial crisis point and cannot afford to feed themselves. It's an organic community project with local people giving food, money, and their time to help other local people in need. The foodbank is entrusted to manage and coordinate these valuable and generous resources promptly, efficiently, and responsibly and operates under an agreement with The Trussell Trust.

Of the 29.7 tonnes of food donated to us and supplemented by purchases by us in 2023, approximately two thirds were distributed via our twice-weekly foodbank sessions at the Christian Centre, with the remainder distributed through other outreach activities throughout the community. Our activities have continued to be particularly challenging this year for the Foodbank, which has strived to be creative and supportive in its activities to support families who have suffered hardships because of the growing cost of living crisis. Initiatives have included Christmas treat bags for each Foodbank client, hampers to another local charity, BESOM, 'Holiday Hunger' boost food bags, emergency food bags and breakfast bags for distribution by schools. We also provide fresh produce (including cheese and eggs) at the distribution centre in addition to the tinned and dried food already provided. This is proving very popular with our clients.

The foodbank currently works with 82 referral agencies. Our message to the referral agencies has always been not to delay in sending a client to the foodbank if they have any practical challenges in issuing a food voucher.

When the Churches of Dorking Housing Association Ltd closed in December 2023, they gave the ground lease on two flats at 24 Howard Road to Churches Together in Dorking and this benefits the foodbank.

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Fuel Fund

The Fuel fund supports anyone in Dorking and the surrounding villages who, for whatever reason, have reached a financial crisis point and cannot afford fuel. It is largely supported by the government Household Support Fund supplemented by those who donate their Winter Fuel Allowance.

These funds are distributed through the foodbank.

Household Support Fund

Grants to alleviate hardship particularly in the winter and support households in need of essentials were received and were distributed by the Foodbank team. Among these grants received in the year were £60,310 from Mole Valley District Council and Surrey County Council. The various uses they were put to included buying school uniforms and food and providing help with energy and water bills.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Food parcels distributed (measured as 'vouchers' redeemed - each household provides a voucher for each visit to the foodbank (but data classification was changed by Trussell Trust from 1 April 2023 with comparable data unavailable for periods straddling the 1 April 2023 reclassification) so for the year to 31 March 2024: 1244 and in the year to 31 December 2022 (on the previous Trussell Trust classification): 1131.

In the year to 31 December 2023, a total of 3,345 people were fed, of which 1,925 were adults and 1,420 were children. In the year to 31 December 2022, 2,902 people were fed, of which 1,748 were adults and 1,154 were children.

The **school holiday boost bags** – 791 distributed to families in the year to 31 December 2023 including 266 at Christmas 2023.

Number of **referral agencies** (who can issue vouchers for the foodbank) - 82.

Number of **current volunteers** – 81.

Fuel assistance – We continue to work with Energy Manage to deliver managed support for clients with their fuel bills. From the launch of the new project in May 2023 until 31 December 2023 over 50 clients have been supported to get into a better position with their electricity and gas bills with over £17,000 of debt tackled.

FINANCIAL REVIEW**Financial results of activities and events**

The activities of the charity generated total income of £184,632 (2022 £108,109) and its total expenditure amounted to £136,991 (2022 £89,479). The resulting surplus of £47,540 (2022 £18,630) has been added to charity funds.

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Reserves policy

The trustees recognize the need to provide reserves to ensure the long-term and efficient running of the Dorking Area Foodbank, a franchisee of the Trussell Trust: -

1. The risk of losing the use of the warehouse at short notice:

In May 2024 the foodbank moved into another warehouse provided by Mole Valley District Council on a licence at a peppercorn rent. This licence can be terminated at three months' notice. When the foodbank is asked to vacate the premises, the foodbank faces the risk of having to provide warehousing space at short notice. Taking account of the continuing scarcity of suitable warehouse space available in Dorking, a reserve of £40,000 to provide warehouse space is considered prudent.

2. Recurrent annual expenditure:

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic it was thought prudent to make a reserve of 50% of annual recurrent expenditure, which at the end of 2023 would have been £50,839. The Trussell Trust has advised that increased need is likely to continue for up to 5 years after the end of the pandemic due to the downturn in economic activity, but that increased financial donations are likely to return to previous lower levels after the end of the pandemic. Accordingly, the Trussell Trust advised foodbanks to take account of this mismatch between the likely need and the likely reduction in financial donations in their reserves policy. The impact of the Cost-of-Living crisis is felt by our clients with the increase in the price of essentials including food and utility bills, which for many in the community has not been compensated for with increases in income. The foodbank is meeting increased costs at the new warehouse including paying for heating and lighting for the first time and in the increased cost of employing staff including a cost-of-living salary increase agreed from 1 April 2024. We estimate the combined extra warehouse and salary costs at some £15,000.

The reserve at the end of 2023 for annual recurrent expenditure is therefore set at £96,500 which is approximately 80% of the annual expenditure in 2023 (£101,779) plus 100% of the increased costs at the warehouse and on salaries.

In view of these factors, the total reserve for the foodbank has been set at £136,500 as at December 2023 which will be reviewed by the trustees when considered appropriate.

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial forecasts for the charity and have considered its anticipated income and expenditure commitments for a period of twelve months from the date of approval of this trustees' annual report. The trustees believe that the charity has adequate resources and the reserves needed to operate for at least the next twelve months and to meet its liabilities. The trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The trustees regularly review the risks to which the charity might be exposed, safeguarding and health and safety, and risks which are covered by insurance. The most serious risk is that the charity fails to secure sufficient funds to support its activities.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**Status and History**

Churches Together in Dorking is a registered charity, and a company limited by guarantee, not having share capital. Every member undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 to the assets of the charity in the event of the charity being wound-up during the period of membership, or within one year thereafter.

Churches Together in Dorking (originally known as Churches Together in Dorking Limited) was incorporated on 9 April 2008 and became a registered charity on 20 June 2008. The charity is governed by the rules and regulations set down in its company Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 9 April 2008.

Method of Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association sets out how trustees are to be appointed.

Trustees' Responsibilities in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The trustees (who are also the directors of Churches Together in Dorking for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees are preparing the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and applicable law).

Under company law, the trustees must not approve financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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 keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

During 2023 CTD opened a deposit account with CAF Bank to take advantage of the higher interest rate paid to this type of account. Most of our money was transferred to this account, leaving a smaller amount in the current account for day-to-day transactions.

Independent Examiner

David Bassett FCCA, as the charity's independent examiner, has indicated his willingness to continue as the Charity's independent examiner.

These unaudited financial statements have been subjected to independent examination. See report on page 8

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Statement as to Disclosure of Information to the Independent Examiner

The trustees and directors at the date of approval of this trustees' annual report confirm that so far as each of them is aware, there is no relevant information of which the independent examiner is unaware, and the trustees and directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The trustees of the charity, who are also the directors of the company, have held office throughout the year except as where stated. The Trustees and directors are as follows: -

Rosemary Elias (Chair)
Nicola Freeman (from 15 December 2023)
Paul Gough (until 3 August 2023)
Wayne Kitcat (Secretary)
Justine Ryan (from 15 December 2023)
David Wells (until 15 December 2023)

The principal address of the charity and the registered office of the company is: The Presbytery, 2, Falkland Grove, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DL.

The charity is registered under the charity number 1124616.

The company is incorporated with the company registration number 06560738.

The trustees have made the following appointment:

Independent Examiner: David Bassett, Tamar, Harrow Road East, Dorking, RH4 2AX.

Treasurer: David Wells, 2 Norfolk Road, Dorking, RH4 3JA.

Management: Day to day management of the operation of the Dorking Area Foodbank is undertaken by Katy Harris at the Food Bank Office, The Christian Centre, Church Street, Dorking. RH4 1DW

Bank: CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ.

EXEMPTIONS FROM DISCLOSURE

No exemptions from the disclosure requirements applicable to a small charity have been taken in this trustees' annual report.

INVESTMENTS HELD

Ground lease on flats at 24 Howard Road, Dorking. No valuation has been obtained of this holding.

FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

The charity maintains restricted funds to deal with incoming resources that are earmarked for a particular purpose by donors and other funders. The Charity does not hold funds as a custodian trustee on behalf of third parties.

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APPROVAL OF TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

This report was approved by the trustees on 25th September 2024, and was signed for and on behalf of the board by

Wayne Paul Kitcat Wayne Paul Kitcat Trustee

25th September 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

I report on the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking (Charity No. 1124616; Company No. 06560738) for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 9 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The 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 financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as 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 financial statements present a "true and fair view", and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention, which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102)

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.



David Bassett FCCA

Tamar

Harrow Road East

Dorking

Date: 27th September 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		2023	2023	2023	2022
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	960	123,362	124,322	108,109
Local authority grants		0	60,310	60,310	0
TOTAL		960	183,672	184,632	108,109
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable Activities	3	101	136,991	137,092	89,479
NET INCOME AND NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		859	46,681	47,540	18,630
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2023		10,298	108,956	119,254	100,624
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2023	6	11,157	155,637	166,794	119,254

These unaudited financial statements have been subjected to independent examination. See report on page 8

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	2023	2022
FIXED ASSETS		£	£
Investments	7	902	0
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and Prepayments		3,269	1,825
Cash at the bank and in hand		163,414	118,034
NET CURRENT ASSETS		166,683	119,859
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	791	605
NET CURRENT ASSETS		165,892	119,254
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		166,794	119,254

FUNDS OF THE CHARITY

	Notes	2023	2022
Unrestricted funds	6	11,157	10,298
Restricted funds	6	155,637	108,956
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		166,794	119,254

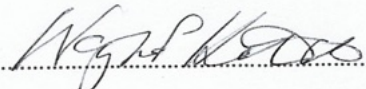
For the year ended 31 December 2023, the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") relating to small companies.

The trustees' and directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act,
- The trustees and directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees and authorized for issue on

25th September 2024, and are signed on their behalf by:

Wayne Kitcat  Trustee

25th September 2024

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	£	£
Net cash provided by operating activities	45,380	18,502
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	45,380	18,502
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	118,034	99,532
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	163,414	118,034

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of accounting**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and under the historical cost convention. Within the definitions of FRS 102, the charity is a public benefit entity. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, and 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).

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Income

General donations and other similar types of voluntary income are brought into account when receivable and donated income is included gross of any attributable tax recoverable, where relevant. Donations given for specific purposes are treated as restricted income.

Grants

The charity received grants from local government which had conditions as to how they were used, and these are shown separately within restricted funds. The details of grants received, and amount spent are shown in note 6 with details of the impact being given in the Trustee's Report on Page 2 under Achievements and Performance.

Donations to the foodbank

Donations of food collected and distributed are measured by weight. The weight collected and distributed during the year is disclosed in note 6. The Trussell Trust recommends that we use £2.37 per kg for 2023 (which was the same for 2022) to calculate the value of these donations.

Expenditure

Resources expended are allocated to the charity's principal activity as direct costs, where the costs can be identified as being directly related to that activity. Any costs that cannot be specifically categorized are allocated in proportions based upon a suitable ratio applicable to the nature of the cost involved.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**Taxation**

The company is a registered charity and, as such, its income and gains falling due under section 471 to 489 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 are exempt from corporate tax to the extent that they are applied to its charitable objectives.

Fund accounting

The general fund comprises the accumulated surpluses of unrestricted incoming resources over resources expended, which are available for use in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors. The purpose and use of the restricted funds are set out in the Trustee's Report on pages 1 and 2.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	2023	2023	2023	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	960	0	960	1,077	-	1,077
CODHAL donation	-	10,902	10,902	-	-	-
Other donations	-	99,495	99,495	1,018	62,683	63,701
Bank interest	-	1,063	1,063	81	-	81
Grants from:	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trussell Trust	-	11,902	11,902	-	5,000	5,000
Mole Valley District Council	-	40,930	40,930	-	20,000	20,000
Surrey County Council	-	19,380	19,380	-	18,250	18,250
	<u>960</u>	<u>183,672</u>	<u>184,632</u>	<u>2,176</u>	<u>105,933</u>	<u>108,109</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	2023	2023	2023	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs (see note 4)	-	21,553	21,553	-	14,934	14,934
Bank charges	66	-	66	92	-	92
Insurance	-	437	437	-	-	-
Administrative costs	35	2,750	2,785	180	4,134	4,314
Food Bank expenditure	-	46,260	46,260	200	31,801	32,001
Fuel Fund expenditure	-	20,361	20,361	-	-	-
MVDC Grant expenditure	-	32,058	32,058	-	21,135	21,135
SCC Grant expenditure	-	13,572	13,572	-	17,003	17,003
	101	136,991	137,092	472	89,007	89,479

4. STAFF COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	2023	2023	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Salary and wages	0	21,553	21,553	14,934
Employers pension contributions	0	0	0	0
Total staff costs	0	21,553	21,553	14,934

The average monthly number of employees was 5 (2022: 3) and all are part-time which equates to the equivalent of 1.46 (2022: 0.96) of full-time employees. All employees are engaged only in charitable activities.

5. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Rent for foodbank	165	605
Mobile phone rental	402	-
Tax & NI	224	-
	791	605

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**6. THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY**

Movement in 2023		Balance at	Income	Expenditure	Balance at
		1/1/23			31/12/23
		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds		10,298	960	101	11,157
Restricted funds					
Foodbank	6.1	104,802	104,976	70,886	138,792
Fuel fund	6.2	2,665	18,386	20,361	690
SCC winter hardship grant	6.3	1,489	19,380	13,572	7,297
MVDC household support grant	6.4	-	40,930	32,059	8,871
Total Restricted funds		108,956	183,672	136,991	155,650
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		119,254	184,632	137,092	166,807

The charity purchases supermarket vouchers for clients to supplement food donated. At the end of 2023 the charity held £250.00 of vouchers that had not yet been distributed

Movement in 2022		Balance at	Income	Expenditure	Balance at
		1/1/22			31/12/22
		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds		8,594	2,176	472	10,298
Restricted funds					
Foodbank	6.1	90,653	65,018	50,869	104,802
Fuel fund	6.2	-	2,665	-	2,665
SCC winter hardship grant	6.3	242	18,250	17,003	1,489
MVDC household support grant	6.4	1,135	20,000	21,135	0
Total Restricted funds		92,030	105,933	89,007	108,956
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		100,624	108,109	89,479	119,254

6.1. Foodbank

The Foodbank administers specific monetary donations by churches, organizations and individuals covering Dorking and the surrounding villages.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The value of the 33.7 tonnes of goods distributed during 2023 was equivalent to a value of £79,869 (2022 £74,892). The stock is valued at £2,370 per tonne (as for 2022) for the food and goods donated and distributed.

6.2. Fuel Fund

The Fuel fund represents specific monetary donations by churches, organizations, and individuals to assist those who are having difficulty paying for heating.

6.3. Winter Hardship Fund

This fund represents specific monetary grants made by Surrey County Council (SCC) for relief of winter hardship. The charity provides reports to SCC on the use of this fund.

6.4. Household Support Fund

This fund represents specific monetary grants made by Mole Valley District Council (MVDC) for household support. The charity provides reports to MVDC on the use of this fund.

7. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENT

Churches Together in Dorking held one share in the Churches of Dorking Housing Association ('CODHAL') which ceased operating on 30 December 2023.

On CODHAL'S closure, it donated the ground lease on the flats at 24 Howard Road, Dorking to Churches Together in Dorking to benefit the foodbank. The lease generates an income of £200 a year to the foodbank.

CODHAL also donated £10,000 to the foodbank and donated £902 to cover the legal fees incurred in transferring the leasehold. The foodbank now receives the ground rent from each flat, due on 25 March each year.

The lease on the lower flat expires on 24 December 2175.

The lease on the upper flat expires on 26 November 2143.

The table below lists the ground rent from each flat. The charity receives no other payment from these flats and has no financial liability for any repairs that may be needed.

Annual rent	Lower flat until	Upper flat until
£100	25 December 2047	26 November 2051
£200	25 December 2080	26 November 2084
£400	25 December 2113	26 November 2117
£800	24 December 2175	26 November 2143

8. FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIANS FOR OTHER CHARITIES

No funds were collected or held on behalf of other charities during the year.

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the trustees (or any persons related to them) received any remuneration during the current or previous period. The trustees made total donations of £803 during the year 2023, this compares with £2237 in 2022.

There were no transactions undertaken with related parties during the current or previous year apart from the monthly direct debit payment for the Foodbank's mobile phone which is paid from a trustee's personal account for which reimbursement is obtained periodically (2023 £402). Also, PAYE tax and NI (2023 £224).

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CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

England & Wales - Charity number 1124616

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ANNUAL REPORT

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Of the 32.7 tonnes of food donated to us and supplemented by purchases by us in 2022, approximately two thirds were distributed via our twice weekly foodbank sessions at the Christian Centre with the remainder distributed through other outreach activities throughout the community. Our activities have continued to be particularly challenging this year for the Foodbank which has strived to be creative and supportive in its activities to support families who have suffered hardships because of the growing cost of living crisis. Initiatives have included Christmas treat bags for each Foodbank client, hampers to another local charity, BESOM, 'Holiday Hunger' boost food bags, emergency food bags and breakfast bags for distribution by schools. We are also now providing fresh produce at the distribution centre in addition to the tinned and dried food already provided. This is proving very popular with our clients.

The foodbank currently works with approximately 80 referral agencies. Our message to the referral agencies has always been not to delay in sending a client to the foodbank if they have any practical challenges in issuing a food voucher.

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Fuel Fund

The Fuel fund supports anyone in Dorking and the surrounding villages who, for whatever reason, have reached a financial crisis point and cannot afford fuel. It is largely supported by those who donate their Winter Fuel Allowance. These funds are distributed through the foodbank.

Household Support Fund

Grants to alleviate winter hardship and support households in need of essentials were received and were distributed by the Foodbank team. Among these grants received in the year were £18,250 from Surrey County Council and £20,000 from Mole Valley District Council. The various uses they were put to included buying school uniforms and providing help with energy and water bills.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Food parcels distributed (measured as 'vouchers' redeemed - each household provides a voucher for each visit to the foodbank) for 2022 – 1131 and in 2021 - 1353.

In 2022, the total was 2902 people fed, of which 1748 were adults and 1154 were children. In 2021, this amounted to 2969 people fed, of which 1991 were adults and 978 were children.

The **school holiday boost bags** - distributed 611 in 2022. The number of requests is going up each term (to give an indication, distributed 180 at Easter 2022, but 220 at Christmas 2022. The summer holidays of 2023 distributed 280.

Number of **referral agencies** (who can issue vouchers for the foodbank) - 82.

Number of **current volunteers** – 78.

Spend on **fuel assistance** - £16,096.21 and Number of households helped – 218.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial results of activities and events

The activities of the charity generated total income of £108,109 (2021 £83,792) and its total expenditure amounted to £89,479 (2021 £79,100). The resulting surplus of £18,630 (2021 £4,692) has been added to charity funds.

Reserves policy

The trustees recognize the need to provide reserves to ensure the long-term and efficient running of the Dorking Area Foodbank, a franchisee of the Trussell Trust: -

1. The risk of losing the use of the warehouse at short notice:

The current warehouse is provided on a licence at a peppercorn rent from Mole Valley District Council. This licence can be terminated at three months' notice. As of April 2023, the foodbank is expecting to move into another warehouse provided by Mole Valley District Council with a licence for 3 years also at a peppercorn rent. After this period the foodbank risks having to provide warehousing space and taking account of the current scarcity of suitable warehouse space available in Dorking, a reserve of £11,000 to provide warehouse space is considered prudent.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

2. Recurrent annual expenditure:

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic it was thought prudent to make a reserve of 50% of annual recurrent expenditure which at the end of 2022 would have been £45,003. The Trussell Trust has advised that increased need is likely to continue for up to 5 years after the end of the pandemic due to the downturn in economic activity but that increased financial donations are likely to return to previous lower levels after the end of the pandemic. Accordingly, the Trussell Trust advise foodbanks to take account of this mismatch between the likely need and the likely reduction in financial donations in their reserves policy. We are also now seeing the impact of the Cost-of-Living crisis with the increase in the price of essentials including food and utility bills which for many in the community has not been compensated for with increases in income. The foodbank will have to meet increased costs in the future at the new warehouse including paying for fuel for the first time and in the increased cost of employing staff including a cost-of-living salary increase agreed from 1 April 2023. We estimate the combined extra warehouse and salary costs at some £4,000.

The reserve at the end of 2022 for annual recurrent expenditure is therefore set at £85,000 which is approximately 90% of the annual expenditure in 2022 plus 100% of the increased costs at the warehouse and on salaries.

In view of these factors, the total reserve for the foodbank has been set at £96,000 as at December 2022 with an expectation to use some of it in 2023.

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial forecasts for the charity and have considered its anticipated income and expenditure commitments for a period of twelve months from the date of approval of this trustees' annual report. The trustees believe that the charity has adequate resources and the reserves needed to operate for at least the next twelve months and to meet its liabilities. The trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The trustees regularly review the risks to which the charity might be exposed, safeguarding and health and safety, and risks which are covered by insurance. The most serious risk is that the charity fails to secure sufficient funds to support its activities.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Method of Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association allows for trustees to be appointed.

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- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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 keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner

David Bassett FCCA, as the charity's independent examiner, has indicated his willingness to continue as the Charity's independent examiner.

Statement as to Disclosure of Information to the Independent Examiner

The trustees and directors at the date of approval of this trustees' annual report confirm that so far as each of them is aware, there is no relevant information of which the independent examiner is unaware, and the trustees and directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The trustees of the charity, who are also the directors of the company, have held office throughout the year. The Trustees and directors are as follows: -

Rosemary Elias
Paul Gough
Wayne Kitcat (Secretary)
David Wells (Treasurer)

The principal address of the charity and the registered office of the company is: The Presbytery, 2, Falkland Grove, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DL.

The charity is registered under the charity number 1124616.

The company is incorporated with the company registration number 06560738.

The trustees have made the following appointment:

Independent Examiner: David Bassett, Tamar, Harrow Road East, Dorking, RH4 2AX.

Treasurer: David Wells, 2 Norfolk Road, Dorking, RH4 3JA.

Management: Day to day management of the operation of the Dorking Area Foodbank is undertaken by Katy Harris at the Food Bank Office, The Christian Centre, Church Street, Dorking. RH4 1DW

Bank: CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ.

EXEMPTIONS FROM DISCLOSURE

No exemptions from the disclosure requirements applicable to a small charity have been taken in this trustees' annual report.

INVESTMENTS HELD

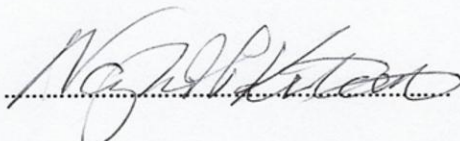
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FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

The charity maintains restricted funds to deal with incoming resources that are earmarked for a particular purpose by donors and other funders. The Charity does not hold funds as a custodian trustee on behalf of third parties.

APPROVAL OF TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

This report was approved by the trustees on 3rd August 2023, and was signed for and on behalf of the board by

Wayne Paul Kitcat  Trustee

..... 3rd August 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

I report on the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking (Charity No. 1124616; Company No. 06560738) for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 7 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The 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 financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as 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 financial statements present a "true and fair view", and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102)

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.



David Bassett FCCA

Tamar

Harrow Road East

Dorking

Date: 5th August 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Notes				
Donations and legacies	2	2,176	105,933	108,109	83,792
TOTAL		2,176	105,933	108,109	83,792
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable Activities	3	472	89,007	89,479	79,100
NET INCOME AND NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		1,704	16,926	18,630	4,692
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2022		8,594	92,030	100,624	95,932
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2022	6	10,298	108,956	119,254	100,624

These unaudited financial statements have been subjected to independent examination. See report on page 6

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	2022	2021
CURRENT ASSETS		£	£
Debtors and Prepayments		1,825	1,334
Cash at bank and in hand		118,034	99,532
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>119,859</u>	<u>100,866</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	605	242
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>119,254</u>	<u>100,624</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
	Notes	2022	2021
Unrestricted funds	6	10,298	8,594
Restricted funds	6	108,956	92,030
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		<u>119,254</u>	<u>100,624</u>

For the year ended 31 December 2022, the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") relating to small companies.

The trustees' and directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act,
- The trustees and directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on

3rd August 2023, and are signed on their behalf by:

Wayne Kitcat.......... Trustee

3rd August 2023

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	2022	2021
	£	£
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net cash provided by operating activities	18,502	5,339
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	18,502	5,339
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	99,532	94,193
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	<u>118,034</u>	<u>99,532</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of accounting**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and under the historical cost convention. Within the definitions of FRS 102, the charity is a public benefit entity. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, and 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).

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial forecasts for the charity and have considered its anticipated income and expenditure commitments for a period of twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The trustees believe that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for at least the next twelve months and to meet all its liabilities during that period as they fall due. For that reason, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Income

General donations and other similar types of voluntary income are brought into account when receivable and donated income is included gross of any attributable tax recoverable, where relevant. Donations given for specific purposes are treated as restricted income.

Grants

The charity received grants from local government which had conditions as to how they were used, and these are shown separately within restricted funds. The details of grants received, and amount spent are shown in note 6 with details of the impact being given in the Trustees Report on Page 2 under Achievements and Performance.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**Donations to the foodbank**

Donations of food collected and distributed are measured by weight. The weight collected and distributed during the year is disclosed in note 6. The Trussell Trust have recommend that we use £2.37 per kg for 2022 (£1.75 per kg for 2021) as a means of calculating the value of these donations.

Expenditure

Resources expended are allocated to the charity's principal activity as direct costs where the costs can be identified as being directly related to that activity. Any costs that cannot be specifically categorised are allocated in proportions based upon a suitable ratio applicable to the nature of the cost involved.

Taxation

The company is a registered charity and as such its income and gains falling due under section 471 to 489 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 are exempt from corporate tax to the extent that they are applied to its charitable objectives.

Fund accounting

The general fund comprises the accumulated surpluses of unrestricted incoming resources over resources expended, which are available for use in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors. The purpose and use of the restricted funds are set out in Trustees Report on pages 1 and 2.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	1,077	-	1,077	1,044	-	1,044
Other donations	1,018	62,683	63,701	728	42,520	43,248
Bank interest	81	-	81	-	-	-
Grants from:						
Trussell Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-	-	-
Mole Valley District Council	-	20,000	20,000	-	10,000	10,000
Surrey County Council	-	18,250	18,250	-	29,500	29,500
	<u>2,176</u>	<u>105,933</u>	<u>108,109</u>	<u>1,772</u>	<u>82,020</u>	<u>83,792</u>

These unaudited financial statements have been subjected to independent examination. See report on page 6

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs (see note 4)	-	14,934	14,934	-	12,633	12,633
Bank charges	92	-	92	104	-	104
Insurance and administrative costs	180	4,134	4,314	387	365	752
Fund Expenditure	200	69,939	70,139	129	65,482	65,611
	472	89,007	89,479	620	78,480	79,100

4. STAFF COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Salary and wages	0	14,934	14,934	11,971
Employers pension contributions	0	0	0	662
Total staff costs	0	14,934	14,934	12,633

The average monthly number of employees was 3 (2021 3) and all are part-time which equates to the equivalent of 0.96 (2021 0.7) of full-time employees. All employees are engaged only in charitable activities.

5. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Rent for foodbank	605	242

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

6. THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY

		Balance at	Income	Expenditure	Balance at
Movement in 2022		1/1/2022			31/12/22
		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds		8,594	2,176	472	10,298
Restricted funds					
Foodbank	6.1	90,653	65,018	50,869	104,802
Fuel fund	6.2	-	2,665	-	2,665
SCC winter hardship grant	6.3	242	18,250	17,003	1,489
MVDC household support grant	6.4	1,135	20,000	21,135	0
Total Restricted funds		92,030	105,933	89,007	108,956
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		100,624	108,109	89,479	119,254
Movement in 2021		Balance at	Income	Expenditure	Balance at
		1/1/2021			31/12/21
		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds		7,442	1,772	620	8,594
Restricted funds					
Foodbank	6.1	88,490	42,520	40,357	90,653
SCC winter hardship grant	6.3	-	29,500	29,258	242
MVDC household support grant	6.4	-	10,000	8,865	1,135
Total Restricted funds		88,490	82,020	78,480	92,030
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		95,932	83,792	79,100	100,624

6.1. Foodbank

The Foodbank administers specific monetary donations by churches, organisations and individuals covering Dorking and the surrounding villages.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

32.7 tonnes of food were donated during 2022 (35.5 tonnes in 2021) that equates to an equivalent value of £77,499 (2021 £62,125). The value of the goods distributed during 2022 was equivalent to a value of £74,892 (2021 £60,900). The stock is valued at £2,370 per tonne (£1,750 for 2021) for the food and goods donated and distributed.

6.2. Fuel Fund

The Fuel fund represents specific monetary donations by churches, organisations, and individuals to assist those who are having difficulty paying for heating.

6.3. Winter Hardship Fund

This fund represents specific monetary grants made by Surrey County Council (SCC) for relief of winter hardship. The charity provides reports to SCC on the use of this fund.

6.4. Household Support Fund

This fund represents specific monetary grants made by Mole Valley District Council (MVDC) for household support. The charity provides reports to MVDC on the use of this fund.

7. CHURCHES OF DORKING HOUSING ASSOCIATION

Churches Together in Dorking holds one share in Churches of Dorking Housing Association.

8. FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIANS FOR OTHER CHARITIES

No funds were collected or held on behalf of other charities during the year.

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the trustees (or any persons related to them) received any remuneration during the current or previous period. The trustees made total donations of £2237 during the year 2022, this compares with £1295 in 2021.

There were no transactions undertaken with related parties during the current or previous year apart from the monthly direct debit payment for the Foodbank's mobile phone is paid from a trustee's personal account for which reimbursement is obtained periodically (2022 Nil).

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

England & Wales - Charity number 1124616

Accounts

Company Number: 06560738

Charity Number: 1124616

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

ANNUAL REPORT

31 DECEMBER 2021

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The trustees present their report and the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking ("the charity") for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, and 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable objectives

The Charity's objects are to develop the work of the Christian church in Dorking and the surrounding area by the advancement of the Christian religion; relief of poverty, suffering, sickness and distress, the advancement of education and other such activities as are charitable and in accordance with English Law.

Charitable activities

The charity's principal activity in pursuit of its charitable objectives is to act as a meeting point for local churches and their representatives to work together on specific projects and also coordinate joint worship events. There are currently 14 Christian member organisations. A key activity during the Covid pandemic has been the operation of the Foodbank. The charity helped the local authorities distribute the Household Support Fund allocated to them. The Methodist church no longer meets in Dorking, but the Dorking and Horsham Methodist Circuit have now taken over running the Christian Centre.

Foodbank

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Foodbank operations were quickly adapted at the start of the first lockdown and Covid operations safety plans put in place which has enabled the foodbank to remain open throughout the crisis without any break in service. Of the 35.5 tons of food donated to us and supplemented by purchases by us in 2021, approximately two thirds were distributed via our twice weekly foodbank sessions at the Christian Centre with the remainder distributed through other outreach activities throughout the community. Our activities have continued to be particularly challenging this year for the Foodbank which has strived to be creative and supportive in its activities to support families who have suffered hardships because of the pandemic. Initiatives have included Christmas treat bags for each Foodbank client, hampers to BESOM, another local charity, 'Holiday Hunger' boost food bags, emergency food bags for schools and breakfast bags. We are also now providing fresh produce at the distribution centre in addition to the tinned and dried food already provided. This is proving very popular with our clients.

The foodbank currently works with 65 referral agencies. However, most agencies stopped client face to face contact when the first lockdown began. Our message to them has always been not to delay in sending a client to the foodbank if they have any practical challenges in issuing a food voucher. All clients will be made more than welcome by our volunteer teams who can issue a food voucher and food parcel at the same time when necessary.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Household Support Fund

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial results of activities and events

The activities of the charity generated total income of £83,792 (2020 £106,952) and its total expenditure amounted to £79,100 (2020 £36,172). The resulting surplus of £4,692 (2020 £70,780) has been added to charity funds.

Reserves policy

The trustees recognize the need to provide reserves to ensure the long-term and efficient running of the Dorking Area Foodbank, a franchisee of the Trussell Trust: -

1. The risk of losing the use of the warehouse at short notice:

The current warehouse is provided on a licence at a peppercorn rent from Mole Valley District Council. This licence can be terminated at three months' notice. With the risk of having to provide warehousing space at short notice and taking account of the current scarcity of suitable warehouse space available in Dorking, a reserve of £32,500 to provide warehouse space is considered prudent.

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The reserve at the end of 2021 for annual recurrent expenditure is therefore set at £46,600 which is 100% of expected annual expenditure having adjusted for inflation.

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- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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 keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner

David Bassett FCCA, as the charity's independent examiner, has indicated his willingness to continue as the Charity's independent examiner.

Statement as to Disclosure of Information to the Independent Examiner

The trustees and directors at the date of approval of this trustees' annual report confirm that so far as each of them is aware, there is no relevant information of which the independent examiner is unaware, and the trustees and directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The trustees of the charity, who are also the directors of the company, have held office throughout the year. The Trustees and directors are as follows: -

- Rosemary Elias
- Paul Gough
- Wayne Kitcat (Secretary)
- David Wells (Treasurer)

The principal address of the charity and the registered office of the company is: The Presbytery, 2, Falkland Grove, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DL.

The charity is registered under the charity number 1124616.

The company is incorporated with the company registration number 06560738.

The trustees have made the following appointment:

Independent Examiner: David Bassett, Tamar, Harrow Road East, Dorking, RH4 2AX

Treasurer: David Wells, 2 Norfolk Road, Dorking, RH4 3JA

EXEMPTIONS FROM DISCLOSURE

No exemptions from the disclosure requirements applicable to a small charity have been taken in this trustees' annual report.

INVESTMENTS HELD


Churches Together in Dorking holds one share in Churches of Dorking Housing Association Ltd.

FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

The charity maintains restricted funds to deal with incoming resources that are earmarked for a particular purpose by donors and other funders and also receives and pays out funds as custodian for third party charities. For many years the charity has in particular administered annual collections for Christian Aid and collections for the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) when appeals are made. Details of collections this year are in note 8 of the accounts.

This report was approved by the trustees on 2022, and was signed for and on behalf of the board by

Wayne Paul Kitcat  Trustee

 July 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

I report on the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking (Charity No. 1124616; Company No. 06560738) for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The 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 financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as 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 financial statements present a "true and fair view", and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102)

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.

David Bassett FCCA



Tamar

Harrow Road East

Dorking

Date: 5th July 2022

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Notes				
Donations and legacies	2	1,772	82,020	83,792	106,952
TOTAL		1,772	82,020	83,792	106,952
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable Activities	3	620	78,480	79,100	36,172
NET INCOME AND NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		1,152	3,540	4,692	70,780
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2021		7,442	88,490	95,932	25,151
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2021	6	8,594	92,030	100,624	95,932

These unaudited financial statements have been subjected to independent examination. See report on page 5

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	2021	2020
CURRENT ASSETS		£	£
Debtors and Prepayments		1,334	1,739
Cash at bank and in hand		99,532	94,193
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		100,866	95,932
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	242	0
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		100,624	95,932
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
	Notes	2021	2020
Unrestricted funds	6	8,594	7,442
Restricted funds	6	92,030	88,490
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		100,624	95,932

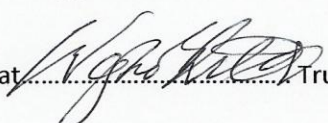
For the year ended 31 December 2021, the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") relating to small companies.

The trustees' and directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act,
- The trustees and directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 6 to 11 were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on

5th July 2022, and are signed on their behalf by:

Wayne Kitcat  Trustee

5th July 2022

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	2021	2020
	£	£
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net cash provided by operating activities	5,339	69,851
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	5,339	69,851
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	94,193	24,342
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	99,532	94,193

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of accounting**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and under the historical cost convention. Within the definitions of FRS 102, the charity is a public benefit entity. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, and 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).

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial forecasts for the charity and have considered its anticipated income and expenditure commitments for a period of twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The trustees believe that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for at least the next twelve months and to meet all its liabilities during that period as they fall due. For that reason, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Income

General donations and other similar types of voluntary income are brought into account when receivable and donated income is included gross of any attributable tax recoverable, where relevant. Donations given for specific purposes are treated as restricted income.

Grants

The charity received grants from local government which had conditions as to how they were used, and these are shown separately within restricted funds. The details of grants received and how they were used are shown in note 6.

Donations to the foodbank

Donations of food collected and distributed are measured by weight. The weight collected and distributed during the year is disclosed in note 6.1. The Trussell Trust have recommend that we use £1.75/kg (2021 and 2020) as a means of calculating the value of these donations.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Expenditure

Resources expended are allocated to the charity's principal activity as direct costs where the costs can be identified as being directly related to that activity. Any costs that cannot be specifically categorised are allocated in proportions based upon a suitable ratio applicable to the nature of the cost involved.

Taxation

The company is a registered charity and as such its income and gains falling due under section 471 to 489 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 are exempt from corporate tax to the extent that they are applied to its charitable objectives.

Fund accounting

The general fund comprises the accumulated surpluses of unrestricted incoming resources over resources expended, which are available for use in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors. The purpose and use of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements. Amounts unspent at the year-end are carried forward in the balance sheet.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Subscriptions	1,044	0	1,044	1,119
Other donations	728	42,520	43,248	105,833
Grants	0	39,500	39,500	0
	<u>1,772</u>	<u>82,020</u>	<u>83,792</u>	<u>106,952</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Staff costs (see note 4)	0	12,633	12,633	8,831
Bank charges	104	0	104	125
Insurance and administrative expenses	387	365	752	
Fund expenditure	129	65,482	65,611	27,216
	<u>620</u>	<u>78,480</u>	<u>79,100</u>	<u>36,172</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

4. STAFF COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Salary and wages	0	11,971	11,971	7,533
Employers pension contributions	0	662	662	1,298
Total staff costs	0	12,633	12,633	8,831

The average monthly number of employees was 3 (2020 3) and all are part-time which equates to the equivalent of 0.7 (2020 0.7) of full time employees. All employees are engaged only in charitable activities.

5. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Rent for foodbank	242	0

6. THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY

	Notes	Balance at 1/1/2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31/12/2021 £
Unrestricted funds		7,442	1,772	620	8,594
Restricted funds					
Foodbank	6.1	88,490	42,520	40,357	90,653
SCC winter hardship grant	6.2	0	29,500	29,258	242
MVDC household support grant	6.3	0	10,000	8,865	1,135
Total Restricted funds		88,490	82,020	78,480	92,030
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		95,932	83,792	79,100	100,624

6.1. Foodbank

The Foodbank fund represents specific monetary donations by churches, organisations and individuals and the expenditure in relation to the operation of the foodbank covering Dorking and the surrounding villages.

35.5 tonnes of food was donated during 2021 (2020 34.9 tonnes) that equates to an equivalent value of £62,125 (2020 £61,075). The value of the goods distributed during 2021 was equivalent to a value of £60,900 (2020 £60,375). The stock is valued at £1,750 per tonne for the food and goods donated and distributed in both 2020 and 2021.

6.2. Winter Hardship Fund

This fund represents specific monetary grants made by Surrey County Council for relief of winter hardship.

6.3. Household Support Fund

This fund represents specific monetary grants made by Mole Valley District Council for household support.

These unaudited financial statements have been subjected to independent examination. See report on page 5

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

7. CHURCHES OF DORKING HOUSING ASSOCIATION

Churches Together in Dorking holds one share in Churches of Dorking Housing Association.

8. FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIANS FOR OTHER CHARITIES

Churches Together in Dorking is utilised for collections for both Christian Aid collections and the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) appeals that are made from time to time. Funds collected are subject to independent review and are paid directly to the respective charities. These funds are not the property of Churches Together in Dorking and so are not included in these accounts.

No funds were collected or held on behalf of other charities during the year.

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the trustees (or any persons related to them) received any remuneration during the current or previous period. There were no transactions undertaken with related parties during the current or previous year.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

England & Wales - Charity number 1124616

Accounts

Company Number: 06560738

Charity Number: 1124616

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

ANNUAL REPORT

31 DECEMBER 2020

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The trustees present their report and the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking ("the charity") for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, and 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable objectives

The Charity's objects are to develop the work of the Christian church in Dorking and the surrounding area by the advancement of the Christian religion; relief of poverty, suffering, sickness and distress, the advancement of education and other such activities as are charitable and in accordance with English Law.

Charitable activities

The charity's principal activity in pursuit of its charitable objectives is to act as a meeting point for local churches and their representatives to work together on specific projects and also coordinate joint worship events. There are currently 15 Christian member organisations. A key activity during the Covid pandemic has been the operation of the Foodbank.

Foodbank

The Dorking Area Foodbank supports anyone in Dorking and the surrounding villages who, for whatever reason, have reached a financial crisis point and cannot afford to feed themselves. It's an organic community project with local people giving food, money and their time to help other local people in need. The foodbank is entrusted to manage and coordinate these valuable and generous resources promptly, efficiently and responsibly operating as a franchisee of The Trussell Trust.

Foodbank operations were quickly adapted at the start of the first lockdown and Covid operations safety plans put in place which has enabled the foodbank to remain open throughout the crisis without any break in service. Of the 34.9 tons of food donated to us in 2020, approximately two thirds was distributed via our twice weekly foodbank sessions at the Christian Centre with the remainder distributed through other outreach activities throughout the community. This year has been particularly challenging for the Foodbank which has strived to be creative and supportive in its activities to support families who have suffered particular hardships because of the pandemic. Initiatives have included Christmas treat bags for each Foodbank client, hampers to BESOM, another local charity, 'Holiday Hunger' boost food bags, emergency food bags for schools and breakfast bags. There has also been a lockdown 'partnership' with the Community Fridge with food that cannot be utilised distributed by the Community Fridge van to clients in need.

The foodbank currently works with 60 referral agencies. However, most agencies stopped client face to face contact when the first lockdown began. Our message to them has always been not to delay in sending a client to the foodbank if they have any practical challenges in issuing a food voucher. All clients will be made more than welcome by our volunteer teams who can issue a food voucher and food parcel at the same time when necessary.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial results of activities and events

The activities of the charity generated total income of £106,952 (2019 £12,225) and its total expenditure amounted to £36,172 (2019 £12,372). The resulting surplus of £70,780 (2019 Deficit of £147) has been added to charity funds.

Reserves policy

The trustees recognize the need to provide reserves to ensure the long-term and efficient running of the Dorking Area Foodbank, a franchisee of the Trussell Trust: -

1. The risk of losing the use of the warehouse at short notice:

The current warehouse is provided on a licence at a peppercorn rent from Mole Valley District Council. This licence can be terminated at two months' notice. With the risk of having to provide warehousing space at short notice and taking account of the warehouse space available in Dorking, a reserve of £30,000 to provide warehouse space is considered prudent.

2. Recurrent annual expenditure:

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, which resulted in a national lockdown from March 2020, it was thought prudent to make a reserve of 50% of annual recurrent expenditure. At the end of 2020 if the pandemic had not taken place this would have been £9,000. During the pandemic, the foodbank has seen an approximately 100% increase in the need for food and hygiene products that we provide to clients. We have also seen a significant, over 250%, increase in financial donations during 2020 and also donations in kind predominately of food and hygiene products. The Trussell Trust has advised the foodbank that the increased need is likely to continue for up to 5 years after the end of the pandemic due to the downturn in economic activity and the resulting unemployment but that the increased financial donations are likely to return to previous lower levels quite soon after the end of the pandemic. Accordingly, the Trussell Trust advise foodbanks to take account of this mismatch between the likely need and the likely reduction in financial donations in their reserves policy.

We also need to take account of the increased expenditure from 1 April 2021 resulting from the appointment of a paid warehouse manager which is estimated to increase annual expenditure by £5,500 annually (£4,125 in 2021).

The reserve at the end of 2020 for annual recurrent expenditure is therefore set at £47,000 which is twice expected annual expenditure.

In view of these factors, the total reserve for the foodbank has been set at £77,000 as at December 2020 with an expectation to start using some of it in late 2021.

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial forecasts for the charity and have in particular considered its anticipated income and expenditure commitments for a period of twelve months from the date of approval of this trustees' annual report. The trustees believe that the charity has adequate resources and the reserves indicated to continue in operational existence for at least the next twelve months and to meet all of its liabilities during that period as they fall due. For that reason, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The trustees regularly review the risks to which the charity might be exposed, in particular safeguarding and health and safety, and risks which are covered by insurance. The most serious risk is that the charity fails to secure sufficient funds to support its activities.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Status and History

Churches Together in Dorking is a registered charity, and a company limited by guarantee, not having share capital. Every member undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 to the assets of the charity in the event of the charity being wound-up during the period of membership, or within one year thereafter.

Churches Together in Dorking (originally known as Churches Together in Dorking Limited) was incorporated on 9 April 2008 and became a registered charity on 20 June 2008. The charity is governed by the rules and regulations set down in its company Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 9 April 2008.

Method of Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association allows for trustees to be appointed.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Trustees' Responsibilities in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The trustees (who are also the directors of Churches Together in Dorking for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees are preparing the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and applicable law).

Under company law, the trustees must not approve financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
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Independent Examiner

David Bassett FCCA, as the charity's independent examiner, has indicated his willingness to continue as the Charity's independent examiner.

Statement as to Disclosure of Information to the Independent Examiner

The trustees and directors at the date of approval of this trustees' annual report confirm that so far as each of them is aware, there is no relevant information of which the independent examiner is unaware, and the trustees and directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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This report was approved by the trustees on 6th August 2021, and was signed for and on behalf of the board by

Wayne Paul Kitcat.... *Wayne P Kitcat*Trustee

.....7th August 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DORKING

I report on the financial statements of Churches Together in Dorking (Charity No. 1124616; Company No. 06560738) for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 7 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act;
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Basis of independent examiner's statement

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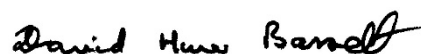
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David Bassett FCCA



Tamar

Harrow Road East

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN
DORKING**

**ANNUAL REPORT
for the year ending 31
December 2020**

Dorking

Date: ...26 June.....2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		Unrestric ted Funds	Restric ted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		2020	2020	2020	2019
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Notes				
Donations and legacies	2	21,765	85,187	106,952	12,225
TOTAL		<u>21,765</u>	<u>85,187</u>	<u>106,952</u>	<u>12,225</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities	3	19,175	16,997	36,172	12,372
NET INCOME AND NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>2,590</u>	<u>68,190</u>	<u>70,780</u>	<u>(147)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2020		4,852	20,300	25,151	25,299
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2020	4	<u>7,442</u>	<u>88,490</u>	<u>95,932</u>	<u>25,151</u>

These unaudited financial statements have been subjected to independent examination. See report on page 7

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	2020	2019
CURRENT ASSETS			£
Debtors and Prepayments		1,739	770
Cash at bank and in hand		94,193	24,382
NET CURRENT ASSETS, TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		<u>95,932</u>	<u>25,152</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			£
Unrestricted income funds	1	7,442	4,890
Restricted income funds	1	88,490	20,262
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		<u>95,932</u>	<u>25,152</u>

For the year ended 31 December 2020, the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") relating to small companies.

The trustees' and directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act,
- The trustees and directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 9 to Error: Reference source not found were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on

6th August. 2021, and are signed on their behalf by:

Wayne Kitcat ..Wayne P KitcatTrustee

7th August 2021

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	2020	2019
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		£
Net cash provided by operating activities	69,851	(340)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	69,851	(340)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	24,342	24,683
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	94,193	24,342

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland”, the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and under the historical cost convention. Within the definitions of FRS 102, the charity is a public benefit entity. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, and 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).

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial forecasts for the charity and have in particular considered its anticipated income and expenditure commitments for a period of twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The trustees believe that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for at least the next twelve months and to meet all of its liabilities during that period as they fall due. For that reason, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Income

General donations and other similar types of voluntary income are brought into account when receivable and donated income is included gross of any attributable tax recoverable, where relevant. Donations given for specific purposes are treated as restricted income.

Donations to the foodbank

Donations of food collected and distributed are measured by weight. The weight collected and distributed during the year is disclosed in note 44.1.. The Trussell Trust have required that we use £1.75/kg (2020 and 2019) as a means of calculating the value of these donations.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Expenditure

Resources expended are allocated to the charity's principal activity as direct costs where the costs can be identified as being directly related to that activity. Any costs that cannot be specifically categorised are allocated in proportions based upon a suitable ratio applicable to the nature of the cost involved.

Taxation

The company is a registered charity and as such its income and gains falling due under section 471 to 489 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 are exempt from corporate tax to the extent that they are applied to its charitable objectives.

Fund accounting

The general fund comprises the accumulated surpluses of unrestricted incoming resources over resources expended, which are available for use in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors. The purpose and use of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements. Amounts unspent at the year-end are carried forward in the balance sheet.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestrict ed Funds	Restrict ed Funds	Total Funds 2020	Total Funds 2019
	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	1,119		1,119	1,164
Other donations	20,646	85,187	105,833	11,061
	<u>21,765</u>	<u>85,187</u>	<u>106,952</u>	<u>12,225</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestrict ed Funds	Restrict ed Funds	Total Funds 2020	Total Funds 2019
	£	£	£	£
Bank charges	125		125	100
Fund expenditure	19,050	16,997	36,047	12,272
	<u>19,175</u>	<u>16,997</u>	<u>36,172</u>	<u>12,372</u>

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4. THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY

	Note s	Balance as at 1 January 2020 £	Income £	Expenditu re £	Balance as at 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted income funds		4,852	212,765	19,175	7,442
Restricted income funds					
Foodbank	4.1.	20,299	85,187	16,997	88,490
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		25,151	106,952	36,172	95,932

4.1. Foodbank

The Foodbank fund represents specific monetary donations by churches, organisations and individuals and the expenditure in relation to the operation of the foodbank covering Dorking and the surrounding villages.

34.9 tonnes of goods were donated during 2020 (2019 17.5 tonnes) that equates to an equivalent value of £61,075 (2019 £31,325). The value of the goods distributed during 2020 was 34.5 tonnes (2019 16.9 tonnes) equivalent to a value of £60,375 (2019 £29,575). The stock is valued at £1,750 per tonne for the food and goods donated and distributed in both 2019 and 2020.

5. CHURCHES OF DORKING HOUSING ASSOCIATION

Churches Together in Dorking holds one share in Churches of Dorking Housing Association.

6. FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIANS FOR OTHER CHARITIES

Churches Together in Dorking is utilised for collections for both Christian Aid collections and the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) appeals that are made from time to time. Funds collected are subject to independent review and are paid directly to the respective charities. These funds are not the property of Churches Together in Dorking and so are not included in these accounts.

During 2020, no funds were collected for or paid over to Christian Aid or DEC appeals. No funds were held on behalf of other charities at 31 December 2019 or 2020.

7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the trustees (or any persons related to them) received any remuneration during the current or previous period. There were no transactions undertaken with related parties during the current or previous year.

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