



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	April	2020		31	March	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Fords Lane Evangelical Church

Other names charity is known by

FLEC

Registered charity number (if any)

1125658

Charity's principal address

Fords Lane

Bramhall

Stockport

Postcode

SK7 1DQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	J R Dawson	Pastor		The Elders
2	N Wilson			The Elders
3	P E Harper			The Elders
4	D R Webb			The Elders
5	T Ayebare			The Elders
6	M Wilson			The Elders
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
The Official Custodian	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the Elders

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The advancement of the Christian Faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith in the UK and abroad but primarily in the area surrounding Bramhall, Stockport; and such other charitable purposes as shall in the opinion of the Elders further the work of the Church

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind at all Elders' meetings the Charity Commission's Guidance on Public Benefit. The focus of our activities has been and continues to be the preaching and teaching of the Christian Faith, conducting weekly services of worship and prayer, our weekly clubs and activities for children and youth and the provision of facilities and secular activities all for the benefit of the community. While this has been affected by the pandemic, our focus remains unchanged.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The pandemic has inevitably had a major effect on the number and type of activities that we as a church have been able to carry out this year. Community and 'outside' events especially have had to be curtailed or cancelled. Use of our buildings by outside agencies and community groups has also been paused. Instead, we have reached out to our local community in practical ways to help them during lockdown periods.

1. Completion of the fifteenth year with our full-time Pastor, Jonathan Dawson,
2. Continuing links with the village youth club, the Mill, and through its leaders with the local High School and Primary Schools.
3. Our children's and youth groups have continued this year, including a club for primary-age children – called Sparks, and a teenage group – called Fusion. Many of these groups continued online through lockdowns and children and young people as well as their parents were grateful for the continuity and fellowship this provided in an otherwise-disrupted year.
4. One of our church members was asked to head up 'Press Red', a Manchester-based initiative to help women suffering from domestic violence and abuse.
5. Contacting all those who live near the church to see if we could help them in any way. This resulted in church members supporting more vulnerable people in various ways, including shopping and socially-distanced conversations.
6. Developing our technical competence and equipment to enable us to broadcast and live-stream services over the Internet – which have reached much larger numbers than ever came through the doors. This included the recording of our own musical contributions. For more vulnerable and isolating people, this became a way of keeping in touch and retaining some normality during the pandemic, contributing markedly to emotional well-being.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our policy is to accumulate income to set aside for special purposes or as reserves against future expenditure including unforeseen expenditure that may occur, for example repairs or extensions to buildings, for such period not exceeding that permitted by law. We aim to hold up to £40,000 in reserves for the year end.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	(sgd)	(sgd)
Full name(s)	Paul Harper	Mike Wilson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee
Date	22 January 2022	

Fords Lane Evangelical Church
Account for the year ended 31st March 2021

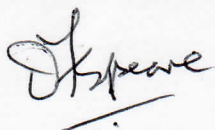
GRAND TOTAL

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Receipts	116,569.16	149,996.02
Payments	-97,530.00	-160,236.79
Net Receipts	19,039.16	-10,240.77
Opening Balance	47,103.42	57,344.19
Closing Balance	66,142.58	47,103.42

RECONCILIATION

Bank Account: Royal Bank of Scotland - Current Account	10,588.25	5,692.91
Royal Bank of Scotland - Deposit Account	28,916.97	18,980.68
Royal Bank of Scotland - Maintenance Account	26,637.36	22,429.83
Total Bank	66,142.58	47,103.42

Examined and found correct according to the books and records presented to me.



Signed: D F Speare
Independent examiner
27th September 2021

Fords Lane Evangelical Church
Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021

INCOME	2021	2020
1 Gift Aid	51,460.00	54,510.00
2 Gift Aid HMRC	14,267.01	12,186.80
3 Donations	50,446.99	67,600.03
4 Weekly Offerings	80.00	770.00
5 GADS	205.00	3,101.00
6 Other Income		
Church Weekend Receipts	0.00	5,905.00
Hire of Hall	90.00	3,353.25
Hursthead School	0.00	180.00
Loft Gift	0.00	597.71
Moss Hey School	0.00	60.00
Other Income	0.00	30.00
Over 60s Lunch Club Donati	0.00	500.00
Peaced Together	0.00	155.00
Rebate	8.35	450.00
Sence	0.00	456.00
7 Bank Interest	11.81	141.23
TOTAL INCOME	116,569.16	149,996.02

EXPENDITURE

Ministry and Mission

1 Salary	36,338.38	72,060.51
2 Pension	6,419.53	10,725.29
3 Staff Expenses	670.23	1,483.72
4 Missionary	37,632.00	32,801.93
5 Outreach Expenses	621.39	7,817.42
6 CEN Donation	240.00	40.00
	81,921.53	124,928.87

Buildings

7 Council Tax	2,432.19	2,342.88
8 Insurance	3,327.15	3,152.88
9 Water Rates	371.47	508.41
	6,130.81	6,004.17

Repairs/Equipment

10 Church Buildings	1,475.41	9,469.54
11 Equipment	136.80	36.00
	1,612.21	9,505.54

Heating/Lighting

12 Electricity/Gas	2,512.15	3,903.37
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Sundry Payments

13 Caleb Fund Payment	0.00	91.67
14 Catering	0.00	449.88
15 Cleaning	40.00	1,661.58
16 Church Weekend	300.00	8,501.00
17 DBS Checks	0.00	132.25
18 Fees	2,606.84	393.00
19 Flowers	0.00	110.00
20 Gifts	600.00	1,250.00
21 Other Service Expenses	924.65	287.74
22 Printing /Publications	31.79	106.74
23 Photocopier/Broadband	355.02	525.48
24 Speakers' Expenses	0.00	1,250.00
25 Subscriptions	495.00	419.00
26 Miscellaneous	0.00	692.00
27 Youth Work	0.00	24.50
	5,353.30	15,894.84

Total Expenditure

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Net Receipts

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RBS CURRENT ACCOUNT

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Less outstanding cheques:	
4931 25/03/2021 Brights	-26.40
	<hr/> 11,159.81
Less outstanding payment to HMRC	-571.56
Cash Book Balance at 31/03/2021	<hr/> 10,588.25

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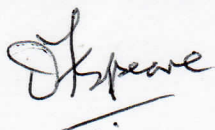
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