

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

England & Wales · Charity number 1129865

Details

Other names	MARS HILL CHURCH, TEIGNMOUTH
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	06887961
Registered	2009-05-28
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: (A) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS IN THE SCHEDULE HERETO ATTACHED IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF TEIGNMOUTH, THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT; (B) TO RELIEVE SICKNESS AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AND TO PROMOTE AND PRESERVE GOOD HEALTH BY THE PROVISION OF FUNDS, GOODS OR SERVICES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING THROUGH THE PROVISION OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT IN SUCH PARTS OF TEIGNMOUTH, THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT;

Activities: Supporting local communities by involvement in toddlers and teenage activities. Providing fun days for families as well as running children's activities within the church. Weekly cafe style services. Leading CAP and providing a trained CAP debt counsellor. Providing a community cafe with Paypoint facilities to support the most deprived area of the town

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** TEIGNMOUTH, THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD
- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£115,031	£114,929	-	-
2023-12-31	£112,360	£118,646	-	-
2022-12-31	£114,496	£127,442	-	-
2021-12-31	£132,974	£116,108	-	-
2020-12-31	£232,819	£227,071	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID JOSEPH LONGMAN	Chair	
CHRISTINE ELIZABETH MORRIS		2023-10-09
Dr Oladipo Aworinde		2021-01-18
Richard Gilbert		2022-12-10

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Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06887961 (England and Wales)
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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024
for
Simply Church, Teignmouth
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

South Devon Accounting Ltd
6 Orchard Close
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Simply Church, Teignmouth

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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

Objectives and aims

The Charity's objectives are for the public benefit.

To advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of Teignmouth, the United Kingdom or the World.

To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Teignmouth, The United Kingdom or the World.

The Vision of Simply Church is that we are Getting Connected - Loving Jesus and Living Out His Mission. The Mission of Simply Church is to explore together what it means to follow Jesus Christ and to invite others to join us in the journey.

We do this by: -

- Bringing a relevant message to this generation.
- Building and transforming communities that are lasting and real.
- Helping the poor and vulnerable.
- Working with those who are broken, hurting, and oppressed.
- Planting new churches to go on mission.

Simply Church believes that we are to do this through life changing, Holy Spirit motivating, unstoppable, unchangeable, overwhelming, radical love as we experience God's love for us and in turn, we love Him back. This enables us to love each other and the world radically. Love drives people to the most extraordinary things and, when we love God and each other like this, nothing becomes impossible.

We have continued to see the increase that God has been speaking to us about - not just in people joining the church, but in our love and desire for more of Jesus and the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We believe that this increase is going to continue and accelerate as we keep focused on Jesus and stay humble and dependant on our Heavenly Father. We believe that we will see breakthrough; in healing, in deliverance, in Salvation, that the supernatural will be the normal. To do this we believe God has called us to live in a way that we allow God to sharpen us through each other. This is not a call to judgmentalism, gossip or hard hearts, but a call to radical love, to prefer one another, to seek the best for each other, even at our own expense. We are to reflect Jesus to one another until Jesus can be seen in us and He sharpens us into His image.

So, we are continuing our focus of getting real, of being united together in Jesus, through his love, so that each one will reach one for the Glory of Jesus.

We believe in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and so encourage people to share, to wait on God and to pray for healing, so that the whole church can be built up together.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

The Church normally gathers in each other's homes to share and grow together and encourage a local mission of sharing the gospel where we live. From time to time these smaller Home Churches all gather together for worship and teaching. This takes place at the Pow Wow Cafe site on Kingsway. Most weeks we also share Communion together. Our service integrates all ages as we believe the Church is ultimately a family following God.

When our Churches come together for a united celebration service, we also use Facebook Live streaming for those who cannot attend to ensure that we can still worship God together. We have, from time to time, been joined also, on livestream, by people who are not part of the Church. Alongside our gatherings we work through a book of the bible, which includes a reading plan for us all to follow and discuss, with application, together.

We believe that prayer is an essential part of our Church, and so we encourage prayer whenever we meet. However, there are also monthly Prayer meetings when we gather to pray for our Church, our town, and individuals.

We continue to produce a weekly newsletter to ensure that anybody who is interested can receive notification of our events, requests for prayer, information about the special events of any other local churches and on occasion, information about any household items or services that people would like to pass on. Often, people who visit on holiday ask to go on our mailing list to receive our Newsletter. We are fully GDPR compliant.

Other activities include Church Social activities, Men's meetings, Women's' meetings, Church Weekends Away, and Away Days. We are passionate about both discovering what it means to follow Jesus and sharing the love and truth of Jesus Christ with everyone. This is not just in the things we say but also in what we do. The Church elders also periodically spend a day together to share, plan and pray about the direction of the Church.

We aim to show by our words, but more importantly through our actions, that we are Christians. We aspire to share our faith with others in many ways: in individual interactions with people, and through our Food Bank, The Beacon, to help those in need.

The Church supports people from the Church and those from outside when needed with financial support, goods, food or a top up on their electricity or gas keys, or, if they are in need of counselling, we facilitate this for them through a Christian counsellor.

The Church works with young people on Friday evenings at our youth cafe who, due to a lack of suitable provisions in the town, find themselves on the streets of Teignmouth.

Public benefit

The Church acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes that are for the public benefit, as required by the Charity Commission's statutory guidance on the matter.

The main activities in support of our charitable objectives are described in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Social investments

The Pow Wow Café Shop on Kingsway is normally open from Monday to Friday, selling hot and cold meals, coffees, and a range of household essentials. It is run by one paid supervisor from Simply Church, together with volunteers both from the Church and from the local community.

There is a children's soft play area at Pow Wow and space for parents to sit and have a coffee while their younger children play. Pow Wow also has the only Paypoint facility in this part of town. The Church recognises the need to support the local community who rely heavily on this facility to maintain their gas and electricity and to pay their bills.

We normally run local groups at Pow Wow, such as Crochet, Knitting and Art, to encourage the local people to take part, and enable us to get to know them better.

To further our objectives, we support creative arts ministry called Manna, who bring the message of Jesus through creative arts. They also work with individuals and groups helping many people to become more confident in the arts.

The Church supports two children in India through Compassion. This in turn also supports the families and the wider community in their villages. We also support financially a couple who work with people who are victims of trafficking in Greece, enabling them to continue their valuable work.

Further financial support is given to Christ for All Nations which works across the world, but mainly in Africa helping communities and bringing the gospel of Jesus. We also support a network of Churches in Malawi, which is based in one of the more deprived areas of the world.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

We have two paid employees: The Pastor and the supervisor for the Pow Wow Café Shop. All others who work with Simply Church are volunteering their time.

All those in leadership positions, and all those working in any capacity with children or vulnerable adults, at Simply Church have a current DBS certificate and are aware of the Safeguarding policy and procedures. The Charity also follows its Safer Recruitment Policy when employing staff or volunteers. All volunteers sign a Volunteer Agreement in line with the relevant policy.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

For the last few years we have been working out what a lifestyle of following Jesus and reaching out to our community looks like. How we can grow in dependance on God and know his love so we can reflect it to one another and those around us.

We have continued learning to understand that discipleship is not a theory but a practice; Christianity is not a concept but a lifestyle. We continued to learn from the example of Jesus with His followers. 2024 was another year when we aimed to become increasingly real and practical in how we live our lives for Jesus. Our aim was to pursue Jesus and His mission, striving for a lifestyle of Christianity that is united in purpose to enable us to see a town reached for Jesus, and this, not only in words, but mainly in living out our Christianity to help others in many ways.

During 2024 our Home Churches have become further established and the new way of being church is becoming a normal way of life for us. This continues to be a learning experience for us all and we continue to grow. We continue looking forward to how God is leading us forward in this more real and stripped back way of living.

Street Team, our initiative working with young people who find themselves on the streets during Friday evenings, continues to be successful, and works alongside our Youth Cafe. We meet with varying numbers of young people and provide a safe place for them, and a place where we can share Jesus and offer prayer.

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Fundraising activities

No specific fundraising events were undertaken in 2024.

General donations are received by way of collections at services and events, and an increasing number of donors have set up monthly/recurring standing orders to donate as their tithe and offering to the Church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Donations including Gift Aid increased from £70,977 in 2023 to £79,404 in 2024.

The Pow Wow Cafe offers a valuable service to the community and has also become a place for the Home Churches to meet periodically for collective worship. Income and expenditure is closely monitored. Staff costs are included in the Church's overall salary expenses. Pow Wow generated a surplus for the period of £7,401 (£13,288 in 2023).

With the move away from the Old Riviera Cinema site, the Tea Rooms ceased trading at the end of October 2024. Final financial accounts have been prepared and submitted along with the application to dissolve the company in August 2025. The Tea Rooms was not able to offer a donation to the Church during its final trading period in 2024.

The accounts show total funds at the end of 2024 of £19,572. On 31st December 2023, the charity had total funds of £19,470. The 2023 accounts reported a £6,286 deficit for the period largely due to costs associated with transitioning away from the auditorium. It was noted in the 2023 accounts that further utility and legal costs relating to the move away from the premises were expected to unfold in the 2024 accounts. These are included within £13,748 in Rent, Rates & Utilities costs noted in the accounts (£22,154 in 2023). Despite these sizeable costs, the 2024 accounts show an overall surplus of £102 for the period.

The accounts for the 2025 period show that the charity is currently in a surplus position for the period, so the Church is realising the financial benefits from the premises change. It is anticipated that this will continue, allowing the charity to fund further projects in the community, and to increase its surplus, providing security, and the opportunity to generate funding reserves.

The charity continues to receive donation income with a few donors making regular monthly donations to help support the charity as it develops.

Principal funding sources

The principal funding source of the charity is the income generated by offerings and tithes given by attendees at services, gatherings and events, along with one-off and regular donations to the general fund. The charity claims Gift Aid on all eligible offerings.

Reserves policy

The Trust tries to hold cash reserves equivalent to three months outgoings to enable the charity to continue in the event of a major drop in income resulting from unforeseen circumstances or emergencies.

FUTURE PLANS

In the future the Church plans to develop the work of the charity in all its aims and objectives, including broadening the use of Pow Wow for charitable aims. The Church aims to develop the smaller Home Churches that meet more regularly, help and support people in their local communities, and encourage closer discipleship, by multiplying more home churches in the various and villages we are based. The whole Church will then come together regularly to celebrate all that Jesus is doing amongst us. We hope to add new Home Churches as we see people come to faith and the Church grow.

We are looking to develop Pow Wow and The Beacon, and to develop other projects as we help people out of the difficulties they face.

In Pow Wow Café, the intention is to develop the back room to be more of a Family Room, with people available to signpost or help with any family issues. There is a desire to increase the volunteer base so more time can be spent with people who come in looking for help, so they can offer prayer and support.

There are also plans to further develop the work with the young people in the town to help give them a purpose and a safe place at the Youth Cafe.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The charity is controlled by its governing documents, its Articles and Memorandum of Association dated 27/04/2009 and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Charity constitution

The Constitution sets out the purpose/charitable objects of Simply Church, Teignmouth, and governs the appointment of Trustees as well as the proceedings of their meetings.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. The Pastor, who is also a Trustee, is paid by the charity as the founder and leader of the church. The Pastor also claims limited expenses, in order to carry out his pastoral role. These are noted in the accounts.

The Trust seeks to build and maintain a breadth of skills and professional experiences amongst its members. New trustees are recruited mainly by personal approaches after agreement with the full board. It is important for trustees to have an understanding of the spiritual work of the charity, so it is normally necessary for potential trustees to have been involved in some way with the charity before they can be seriously considered as a trustee. It is essential that any new Trustee is able to agree with the Statement of Faith and the Objects of the charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

In 2024 there were three Trustees, including the Pastor, who met regularly to discuss financial matters and to ensure the charity was complying with all legal requirements. The other two trustees are also church elders. Financial matters are frequently discussed at elders' meetings not just at dedicated trustee meetings. As a result, financial management decisions can also be found within the minutes of elders' meetings.

The Pastor is one of the two paid staff. He is paid as the Pastor and not as a Trustee.

The other paid member of staff in 2024 was the supervisor at the Pow Wow Café Shop which is part of Simply Church, and therefore of the charity.

Day to day responsibility for operations is delegated to the administrator and her staff, all of whom are volunteers, under the guidance of the Pastor.

There is no formal membership of the charity.

Decision making

The Board, consisting of three Trustees, normally meets periodically to develop the strategic direction and policies for the charity. The Board makes decisions based on prayerful consideration and consensus, allowing individual views and concerns to be addressed as thoroughly as possible.

Induction and training of new trustees

New Trustees are provided with the Memorandum and Articles of Government as well as any charity policies.

Wider network

The charity is an independent body of Christians who having no affiliation to any denomination. The charity is associated with the Evangelical Alliance (EA).

Related parties

The Pastor, Mr David Longman, is also a serving Trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 for his position as Pastor.

He receives no remuneration for his position as a Trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel arrangements to enable his pastoral work. These are noted within the accounts.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06887961 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1129865

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered office

87-89 Kingsway
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Trustees

Mr D J Longman	Church Leader/Pastor
Dr O Aworinde	Church Elder
Mr R Gilbert	Chair of Trustees/Church Elder

Bankers

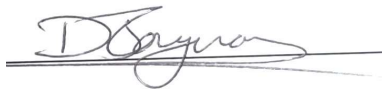
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Independent examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18th September 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

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Mr D J Longman - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Simply Church, Teignmouth ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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



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Date: 15th September 2024

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31.12.24 Total funds	31.12.23 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	79,404	-	79,404	70,977
Trading activities	3	35,575	-	35,575	41,369
Investment income	4	<u>52</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>14</u>
Total		115,031	-	115,031	112,360
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable Activities	5	114,929	-	114,929	118,646
Governance costs		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total		<u>114,929</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>114,929</u>	<u>118,646</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		102	-	102	(6,286)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>19,470</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,470</u>	<u>25,756</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>19,572</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>19,572</u></u>	<u><u>19,470</u></u>

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

Simply Church, Teignmouth

Balance Sheet
At 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31.12.24 Total funds	31.12.23 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	1,312	-	1,312	3,486
Investments	11	1	-	1	1
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash in hand		9,462	-	9,462	9,212
Gift aid accrual		13,084	-	13,084	12,235
Loan to subsidiary		11	-	11	3,522
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(4,298)	-	(4,298)	(8,986)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>18,259</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,259</u>	<u>15,983</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>19,572</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,572</u>	<u>19,470</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>19,572</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,572</u>	<u>19,470</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				19,572	19,470
Restricted funds				-	-
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>19,572</u>	<u>19,470</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2024.

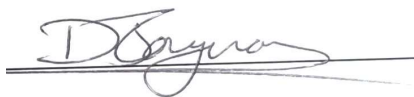
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 18th September 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Longman', is written over a horizontal line.

Mr D J Longman - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the economic life of that asset as follows: -

Equipment - 25% Reducing Balance Basis

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

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

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Tithes and Offerings	66,320	55,210
Donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd	-	-
Other Income	-	-
Gift Aid	13,084	15,767
Grant Income	-	-
	<u>79,404</u>	<u>70,977</u>

3. TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Pow Wow Income	35,575	39,239
Riviera Auditorium Income	-	2,130
	<u>35,575</u>	<u>41,369</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Interest receivable – trading	<u>52</u>	<u>14</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Staff costs	54,352	52,554
Trustees' expenses	1,732	1,675
Repairs and maintenance	2,744	1,575
Gift and support	3,195	2,901
Rent, Rates & Utilities	13,748	22,154
Food	140	486
Insurance	2,241	2,056
Resources	925	487
Advertising and printing	223	765
Conferences & Meetings	1,752	-
Life Plus Expenses	180	1,339
Training and away days	-	163
Counselling	776	-
Pow Wow Expenditure	28,174	26,011
Pensions	1,252	1,189
Stationery and office costs	1,162	1,181
Telephone	-	269
Remuneration for Independent Examination work	1,056	960
Legal and professional fees	840	1,279
Bank Charges	-	440
Depreciation	437	1,162
	<u>114,929</u>	<u>118,646</u>

The above charitable costs can be summarised as follows:

	£	£
Trading activity costs	28,174	26,011
Other costs	<u>86,755</u>	<u>92,635</u>
	<u>114,929</u>	<u>118,646</u>

6. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Depreciation – owned assets	437	1,162
Independent examination remuneration	<u>1,056</u>	<u>960</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 (2023: £37,100) for his position as Pastor. He receives no remuneration for his position as a trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses.

Trustees' expenses

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	<u>1,732</u>	<u>1,675</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

8. STAFF COSTS

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Wages and salaries	54,352	52,554
Other pension costs	<u>1,252</u>	<u>1,189</u>
	<u>55,604</u>	<u>53,743</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

31.12.24	31.12.23
<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	70,977	-	70,977
Other trading activities	41,369	-	41,369
Investment income	<u>14</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14</u>
Total	112,360	-	112,360
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	118,646	-	118,646
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	118,646	-	118,646
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(6,286)	-	(6,286)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	25,756	-	25,756
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	19,470	-	19,470

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £
COST	
At 1 January 2024	45,860
Disposals during year	(45,860)
Additions during year	<u>1,749</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,749</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2024	42,374
Depreciation written off on disposals	(42,374)
Charge for year	<u>437</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>437</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,312</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>3,486</u>

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

The charity's wholly owned subsidiary, Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd, had share capital and reserves of £1 (2023: £1) at 31st December 2024.

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	1,333	1,446
Accrued expenses	<u>2,965</u>	<u>7,540</u>
	<u>4,298</u>	<u>8,986</u>

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	19,470	102	19,572
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>19,470</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>19,572</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	112,360	(118,646)	(6,286)
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>112,360</u>	<u>(118,646)</u>	<u>(6,286)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	112,360	(118,646)	(6,286)
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>112,360</u>	<u>(118,646)</u>	<u>(6,286)</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	112,360	(118,646)	(6,286)
Restricted fund	-		
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>112,360</u>	<u>(118,646)</u>	<u>(6,286)</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	25,756	(6,184)	19,572
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>25,756</u>	<u>(6,184)</u>	<u>19,572</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	227,391	(233,575)	(6,184)
Restricted fund			
Restricted fund	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>227,391</u>	<u>(233,575)</u>	<u>(6,184)</u>

14. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The amount recognised as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £1,252 (2023: £1,189).

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 (£37,100 in 2023) for his position as Pastor. He also receives reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses. These are noted within the accounts.

In addition, the Pastor's wife, Lucy Longman, was appointed in March 2018 as a supervisor at the Pow Wow Café Shop. In 2024 her annual salary was £17,504 (£15,325 in 2023).

The accounts show a loan from the Church to its subsidiary, the Tea Rooms, of £11 (£3,522 in 2023). This was repaid in full on the closure of the Tear Rooms bank account in 2025.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Tithes and Offerings	66,320	55,210
Donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd	-	-
Other Income	-	-
Gift aid	13,084	15,767
Grant Income	-	-
	79,404	70,977
Other trading activities		
Pow Wow Income	35,575	39,239
Riviera Auditorium Income	-	2,130
	35,575	41,369
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	52	14
Total incoming resources	115,031	112,360
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Trustees' expenses	1,732	1,675
Wages	54,352	52,554
Food	140	486
Repairs and maintenance	2,744	1,575
Gift and support	3,195	2,901
Rent, Rates & Utilities	13,748	22,154
Insurance	2,241	2,056
Resources	925	487
Advertising and printing	223	765
Conferences & Meetings	1,752	-
Counselling	776	-
Pow Wow Expenditure	28,174	26,011
Pensions	1,252	1,189
Stationery and office costs	1,162	1,181
Telephone	-	269
Sundries	-	-
Life Plus Expenses	180	1,339
Training and away days	-	163
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	437	1,162
	113,033	115,967

Simply Church, Teignmouth

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Other costs		
Auditors' remuneration for non-audit work	1,056	960
Bank charges	-	440
Professional and legal fees	840	1,279
Exceptional items	-	-
	<u>1,896</u>	<u>2,679</u>
Total resources expended	114,929	118,646
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net Income/Expenditure	<u>102</u>	<u>(6,286)</u>

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

England & Wales - Charity number 1129865

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06887961 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1129865

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023
for
Simply Church, Teignmouth
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

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Simply Church, Teignmouth

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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

Objectives and aims

The Charity's objectives are for the public benefit.

To advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of Teignmouth, the United Kingdom or the World.

To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Teignmouth, The United Kingdom or the World.

The Vision of Simply Church is that we are Getting Connected - Loving Jesus and Living Out His Mission. The Mission of Simply Church is to explore together what it means to follow Jesus Christ and to invite others to join us in the journey.

We do this by: -

- Bringing a relevant message to this generation.
- Building and transforming communities that are lasting and real.
- Helping the poor and vulnerable.
- Working with those who are broken, hurting, and oppressed.
- Planting new churches to go on mission.

Simply Church believes that we are to do this through life changing, Holy Spirit motivating, unstoppable, unchangeable, overwhelming, radical love as we experience God's love for us and in turn, we love Him back. This enables us to love each other and the world radically. Love drives people to the most extraordinary things and, when we love God and each other like this, nothing becomes impossible.

We have continued to see the increase that God has been speaking to us about - not just in people joining the church, but in our love and desire for more of Jesus and the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We believe that this increase is going to continue and accelerate as we keep focused on Jesus and stay humble and dependant on our Heavenly Father. We believe that we will see breakthrough; in healing, in deliverance, in Salvation, that the supernatural will be the normal. To do this we believe God has called us to live in a way that we allow God to sharpen us through each other. This is not a call to judgmentalism, gossip or hard hearts, but a call to radical love, to prefer one another, to seek the best for each other, even at our own expense. We are to reflect Jesus to one another until Jesus can be seen in us and He sharpens us into His image.

So, we are continuing our focus of getting real, of being united together in Jesus, through his love, so that each one will reach one for the Glory of Jesus.

We believe in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and so encourage people to share, to wait on God and to pray for healing, so that the whole church can be built up together.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

The Church normally gathers in each other's homes to share and grow together and encourage a local mission of sharing the gospel where we live. From time to time these smaller Home Churches all gather together for worship and teaching. This had traditionally been in the auditorium at The Riviera Cinema, but having given up the lease in May 2023, this now takes place at the Pow Wow site on Kingsway. Most weeks we also share Communion together. Our service integrates all ages as we believe the Church is ultimately a family following God.

When our Churches come together for a united celebration service, we also use Facebook Live streaming for those who cannot attend to ensure that we can still worship God together. We have, from time to time, been joined also, on livestream, by people who are not part of the Church. Alongside our gatherings we work through a book of the bible, which includes a reading plan for us all to follow and discuss, with application, together.

We believe that prayer is an essential part of our Church, and so we encourage prayer whenever we meet. However, there are also monthly Prayer meetings when we gather to pray for our Church, our town, and individuals. This past year we have also had times of more protracted prayer including a week in September devoted to this which we called 24/7 prayer. On a rota basis, we attempted to man the Riviera 24hrs a day to maintain ongoing prayer for personal needs, Simply Church, the Church nationally and worldwide as well as international needs. Although there were some gaps, most of the week was covered.

We continue to produce a weekly newsletter to ensure that anybody who is interested can receive notification of our events, requests for prayer, information about the special events of any other local churches and on occasion, information about any household items or services that people would like to pass on. Often, people who visit on holiday ask to go on our mailing list to receive our Newsletter. We are fully GDPR compliant.

Other activities include Church Social activities, Men's meetings, Women's' meetings, Church Weekends Away, and Away Days. We are passionate about both discovering what it means to follow Jesus and sharing the love and truth of Jesus Christ with everyone. This is not just in the things we say but also in what we do. The Church elders also periodically spend a day together to share, plan and pray about the direction of the Church.

We aim to show by our words, but more importantly through our actions, that we are Christians. We aspire to share our faith with others in many ways: in individual interactions with people, and through our Food Bank, The Beacon, to help those in need.

The Church also supports people from the Church and those from outside when needed with financial support, goods, food or a top up on their electricity or gas keys, or, if they are in need of counselling, we facilitate this for them through a Christian counsellor.

The Church works with young people on Friday evenings at our youth cafe who, due to a lack of suitable provisions in the town, find themselves on the streets of Teignmouth.

Public benefit

The Church acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes that are for the public benefit, as required by the Charity Commission's statutory guidance on the matter.

The main activities in support of our charitable objectives are described in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Social investments

The Pow Wow Café Shop on Kingsway is normally open from Monday to Friday, selling hot and cold meals, coffees, and a range of household essentials. It is run by one paid supervisor from Simply Church, together with volunteers both from the Church and from the local community.

There is also a children's soft play area at Pow Wow and space for parents to sit and have a coffee while their younger children play. Pow Wow also has the only Paypoint facility in this part of town. The Church recognises the need to support the local community who rely heavily on this facility to maintain their gas and electricity and to pay their bills.

We normally run local groups at Pow Wow, such as Crochet, Knitting and Art, to encourage the local people to take part, and enable us to get to know them better.

To further our objectives, we support those in debt or those who have addictions through our CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Centre. We also support CAP National financially and have a clothes swap in Pow Wow.

The Church also supports two children in India through Compassion. This in turn also supports the families and the wider community in their villages. We also support financially a couple who work with people who are victims of trafficking in Greece, enabling them to continue their valuable work.

Further financial support is given to both CAP (Christians Against Poverty) and to South West Youth Ministries to support the work they do with the local community.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

We have two paid employees: The Pastor and the supervisor for the Pow Wow Café Shop. All others who work with Simply Church are volunteering their time.

All those in leadership positions, and all those working in any capacity with children or vulnerable adults, at Simply Church have a current DBS certificate and are aware of the Safeguarding policy and procedures. The Charity also follows its Safer Recruitment Policy when employing staff or volunteers. All volunteers sign a Volunteer Agreement in line with the relevant policy.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Since making the transition from Mars Hill to Simply Church, we have been working out what a lifestyle of following Jesus and reaching out to our community looks like. How we can grow in dependance on God and know his love so we can reflect it to one another and those around us.

We have continued learning to understand that discipleship is not a theory but a practice; Christianity is not a concept but a lifestyle. We continued to learn from the example of Jesus with His followers. 2023 was another year when we aimed to become increasingly real and practical in how we live our lives for Jesus. Our aim was to pursue Jesus and His mission, striving for a lifestyle of Christianity that is united in purpose to enable us to see a town reached for Jesus, and this, not only in words, but mainly in living out our Christianity to help others in many ways.

During 2023 our Home Churches have become further established and the new way of being church has now become a normal way of life for us. This allowed the Church to give up the tenancy of the auditorium in May 2023, which had become a financial drain on the reserves. It continues to be a learning experience for us all and we continue to grow. We continue looking forward to how God is leading us forward in this more real and stripped back way of living.

Street Team, our initiative working with young people who find themselves on the streets during Friday evenings, continues to be successful. We meet with varying numbers of young people and provide a safe place for them, and a place where we can share Jesus and offer prayer.

Fundraising activities

No specific fundraising events were undertaken in 2023.

General donations are received by way of collections at services and events, and an increasing number of donors have set up monthly/recurring standing orders to donate as their tithe and offering to the Church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Donations including Gift Aid decreased from £81,251 in 2022 £70,977 2023. Whilst giving up the lease on the auditorium in May 2023 has allowed the Church to make huge savings on general running costs, this also meant that there were no 'Giving Sundays' events held during the year, which generated £4,418 in donations in 2022. The Life + programme that had generated donations of £4,204 in 2022 (but also had corresponding expenditure) finished in 2023, with donation income of £451 for the period. The Church received Covid related grant income in 2022 totalling £2,767. There was no grant income in the 2023 period.

The Tea Rooms was not being able to offer a donation to the Church in 2023. Following the end of the Covid pandemic, 2023 continued to be challenging for that company. The Tea Rooms covered all its running costs without any support from the Church and made trading profits of £1,217. However, with losses from the previous year, it was not in a position to offer the Church a donation.

The Pow Wow Cafe is operated from a separate site and income and expenditure is closely monitored. Staff costs are included in the Church's overall salary expenses. Pow Wow offers a valuable service to the community and has also become a place for the Home Churches to meet periodically for collective worship. No grant income for that site was received during 2023 (£2,667 in 2022), but Pow Wow generated a surplus for the period of £13,288 (£8,970 in 2022).

Giving up the lease on the auditorium saw a dramatic decrease in rent for the period (£12,000 in 2023, down from £33,000 in 2022). There were utility and water rates charges to clear to close those accounts. There had been ongoing issues with getting bills from providers such as South West Water, so the final bills included some historical charges not previously accounted for. This saw utility and waste removal costs increase to £10,154 (£3,466 in 2022).

The accounts show total funds at the end of 2023 of £19,470. On 31st December 2022, the charity had total funds of £25,756. Whilst the 2023 accounts report a £6,286 deficit for the period, this is smaller than the £12,946 deficit in 2022. The Church has now transitioned away from the auditorium, which, whilst this had prominent positioning in the town, was a drain on the charity's funds and prevented the Church in pursuing other projects to support the local community and grow the congregation. The accounts for the 2024 period show that the charity is currently in a surplus position for the period, so the Church is now seeing the financial benefits from the premises change. It is anticipated that this will continue, allowing the charity to fund further projects in the community, and to increase its surplus, providing security, and the opportunity to generate funding reserves.

The charity continues to receive donation income with a few donors making regular monthly donations to help support the charity as it develops.

Principal funding sources

The principal funding source of the charity is the income generated by offerings and tithes given by attendees at services, gatherings and events, along with one-off and regular donations to the general fund. The charity claims Gift Aid on all eligible offerings.

Reserves policy

The Trust tries to hold cash reserves equivalent to three months outgoings to enable the charity to continue in the event of a major drop in income resulting from unforeseen circumstances or emergencies.

FUTURE PLANS

In the future the Church plans to develop the work of the charity in all its aims and objectives, including broadening the use of Pow Wow for charitable aims. The Church aims to develop the smaller Home Churches that meet more regularly, help and support people in their local communities, and encourage closer discipleship. The whole Church will then come together regularly to celebrate all that Jesus is doing amongst us. We hope to add new Home Churches as we see people come to faith and the Church grow.

We are also looking to develop Pow Wow and The Beacon, and to develop other projects as we help people out of the difficulties they face.

In Pow Wow Café, the intention is to develop the back room to be more of a Family Room, with people available to signpost or help with any family issues. There is a desire to increase the volunteer base so more time can be spent with people who come in looking for help, so they can offer prayer and support.

There are also plans to further develop the work with the young people in the town to help give them a purpose and a safe place to visit through the Street Team project.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The charity is controlled by its governing documents, its Articles and Memorandum of Association dated 27/04/2009 and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Charity constitution

The Constitution sets out the purpose/charitable objects of Simply Church, and governs the appointment of Trustees as well as the proceedings of their meetings.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. The Pastor, who is also a Trustee, is paid by the charity as the founder and leader of the church. The Pastor also claims limited expenses, in order to carry out his pastoral role. These are noted in the accounts.

The Trust seeks to build and maintain a breadth of skills and professional experiences amongst its members. New trustees are recruited mainly by personal approaches after agreement with the full board. It is important for trustees to have an understanding of the spiritual work of the charity, so it is normally necessary for potential trustees to have been involved in some way with the charity before they can be seriously considered as a trustee. It is essential that any new Trustee is able to agree with the Statement of Faith and the Objects of the charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

In 2023 there were three Trustees, including the Pastor, who met regularly to discuss financial matters and to ensure the charity was complying with all legal requirements. The other two trustees are also church elders. Financial matters are frequently discussed at elders' meetings not just at dedicated trustee meetings. As a result, financial management decisions can also be found within the minutes of elders' meetings.

The Pastor is one of the two paid staff. He is paid as the Pastor and not as a Trustee.

The other paid member of staff in 2023 was the supervisor at the Pow Wow Café Shop which is part of Simply Church, and therefore of the charity.

Day to day responsibility for operations is delegated to the administrator and her staff, all of whom are volunteers, under the guidance of the Pastor.

There is no formal membership of the charity.

Decision making

The Board, consisting of three Trustees, normally meets periodically to develop the strategic direction and policies for the charity. The Board makes decisions based on prayerful consideration and consensus, allowing individual views and concerns to be addressed as thoroughly as possible.

Induction and training of new trustees

New Trustees are provided with the Memorandum and Articles of Government as well as any charity policies.

Wider network

The charity is an independent body of Christians who having no affiliation to any denomination. The charity is associated with the Evangelical Alliance (EA).

Related parties

The Pastor, Mr David Longman, is also a serving Trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 for his position as Pastor.

He receives no remuneration for his position as a Trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel arrangements to enable his pastoral work. These are noted within the accounts.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06887961 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1129865

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered office

The Riviera Cinema
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Trustees

Mr D J Longman	Church Leader/Pastor	
Dr O Aworinde	Church Elder	
Mrs C E Morris	Administrator	Resigned on 1 st January 2023
Mr R Gilbert	Chair of Trustees/Church Elder	

Bankers

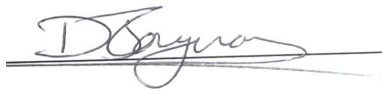
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 14th September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Mr D J Longman - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Simply Church, Teignmouth ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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



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Date: 11th September 2024

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31.12.23 Total funds	31.12.22 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	70,977	-	70,977	81,251
Trading activities	3	41,369	-	41,369	33,243
Investment income	4	<u>14</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>
Total		112,360	-	112,360	114,496
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable Activities	5	118,646	-	118,646	127,442
Governance costs		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total		118,646	-	118,646	127,442
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(6,286)	-	(6,286)	(12,946)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>25,756</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,756</u>	<u>38,702</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>19,470</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>19,470</u></u>	<u><u>25,756</u></u>

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

Simply Church, Teignmouth

Balance Sheet
At 31 December 2023

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31.12.23 Total funds	31.12.22 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	3,486	-	3,486	4,648
Investments	11	1	-	1	1
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash in hand		9,212	-	9,212	23,410
Gift aid accrual		12,235	-	12,235	-
Loan to subsidiary		3,522	-	3,522	-
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(8,986)	-	(8,986)	(2,303)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>15,983</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,983</u>	<u>21,107</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>19,470</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,470</u>	<u>25,756</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>19,470</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,470</u>	<u>25,756</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				19,470	25,756
Restricted funds				-	-
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>19,470</u>	<u>25,756</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2023.

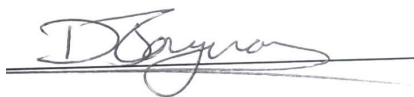
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 14th September 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Longman', is written over a horizontal line.

Mr D J Longman - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the economic life of that asset as follows: -

Equipment - 25% Reducing Balance Basis

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

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

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Tithes and Offerings	55,210	64,999
Donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd	-	-
Other Income	-	-
Gift Aid	15,767	13,485
Grant Income	-	2,767
	<u>70,977</u>	<u>81,251</u>

3. TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Pow Wow Income	39,239	31,036
Riviera Auditorium Income	<u>2,130</u>	<u>2,207</u>
	<u>41,369</u>	<u>33,243</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Interest receivable – trading	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Staff costs	52,554	46,943
Trustees' expenses	1,675	2,123
Repairs and maintenance	1,575	2,116
Gift and support	2,901	3,761
Rent & Rates	12,000	33,000
Food	486	237
Insurance	2,056	2,057
Utilities & Waste Removal	10,154	3,466
Resources	487	672
Advertising and printing	765	1,340
Sundries	-	-
Life Plus Expenses	1,339	2,974
Training and away days	163	40
Pow Wow Expenditure	26,011	22,066
Pensions	1,189	1,034
Stationery and office costs	1,181	559
Telephone	269	506
Remuneration for Independent Examination work	960	900
Legal and professional fees	1,279	1,771
Bank Charges	440	328
Depreciation	1,162	1,549
	<u>118,646</u>	<u>127,442</u>

The above charitable costs can be summarised as follows:

	£	£
Trading activity costs	26,011	22,066
Other costs	<u>92,635</u>	<u>105,376</u>
	<u>118,646</u>	<u>127,442</u>

6. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Depreciation – owned assets	1,162	1,549
Independent examination remuneration	<u>960</u>	<u>900</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 (2022: £37,100) for his position as Pastor. He receives no remuneration for his position as a trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses.

Trustees' expenses

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	<u>1,675</u>	<u>2,123</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

8. STAFF COSTS

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Wages and salaries	52,554	46,943
Other pension costs	<u>1,189</u>	<u>1,034</u>
	<u>53,743</u>	<u>47,977</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

31.12.23	31.12.22
<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	81,251	-	81,251
Other trading activities	33,243	-	33,243
Investment income	<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2</u>
Total	114,496	-	114,496
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	127,442	-	127,442
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	127,442	-	127,442
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(12,946)	-	(12,946)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	38,702	-	38,702
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	25,756	-	25,756

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £
COST	
At 1 January 2023	45,860
Additions during year	<u>-</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>45,860</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2023	41,212
Charge for year	<u>1,162</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>42,374</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2023	<u>3,486</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>4,648</u>

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

The charity's wholly owned subsidiary, Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd, had share capital and reserves of £1 (2022: £1) at 31st December 2023.

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	1,446	1,223
Accrued expenses	<u>7,540</u>	<u>1,080</u>
	<u>8,986</u>	<u>2,303</u>

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	25,756	(6,286)	19,470
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>25,756</u>	<u>(6,286)</u>	<u>19,470</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	112,360	(118,646)	(6,286)
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>112,360</u>	<u>(118,646)</u>	<u>(6,286)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	38,702	(12,946)	25,756
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>38,702</u>	<u>(12,946)</u>	<u>25,756</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,496	(127,442)	(12,946)
Restricted fund	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,496</u>	<u>(127,442)</u>	<u>(12,946)</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	38,702	(19,232)	19,470
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>38,702</u>	<u>(19,232)</u>	<u>19,470</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	226,856	(246,088)	(19,232)
Restricted fund			
Restricted fund	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>226,856</u>	<u>(246,088)</u>	<u>(19,232)</u>

14. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The amount recognised as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £1,189 (2022: £1,034).

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 (£37,100 in 2022) for his position as Pastor. He also receives reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses. These are noted within the accounts.

In addition, the Pastor's wife, Lucy Longman, was appointed in March 2018 as a supervisor at the Pow Wow Café Shop. In 2023 her annual salary was £15,325 (£8,893 in 2022).

In December 2023, due to a banking issue which caused a temporary delay in credit card income being deposited into the Tea Rooms account, the Church provided a loan to its subsidiary of £3,522. This was repaid in full on 4th January 2024.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Tithes and Offerings	55,210	64,999
Donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd	-	-
Other Income	-	-
Gift aid	15,767	13,485
Grant Income	<u>-</u>	<u>2,767</u>
	70,977	81,251
Other trading activities		
Pow Wow Income	39,239	31,036
Riviera Auditorium Income	<u>2,130</u>	<u>2,207</u>
	41,369	33,243
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>
Total incoming resources	112,360	114,496
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Trustees' expenses	1,675	2,123
Wages	52,554	46,943
Food	486	237
Repairs and maintenance	1,575	2,116
Gift and support	2,901	3,761
Rent & Rates	12,000	33,000
Insurance	2,056	2,057
Utilities & Waste Removal	10,154	3,466
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Pensions	1,189	1,034
Stationery and office costs	1,181	559
Telephone	269	506
Sundries	-	-
Life Plus Expenses	1,339	2,974
Training and away days	163	40
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>1,162</u>	<u>1,549</u>
	115,967	124,443

Simply Church, Teignmouth

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Other costs		
Auditors' remuneration for non-audit work	960	900
Bank charges	440	328
Professional and legal fees	1,279	1,771
Exceptional items	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>2,679</u>	<u>2,999</u>
Total resources expended	118,646	127,442
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net Income/Expenditure	<u><u>(6,286)</u></u>	<u><u>(12,946)</u></u>

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

England & Wales - Charity number 1129865

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06887961 (England and Wales)
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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022
for
Simply Church, Teignmouth
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

South Devon Accounting Ltd
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Simply Church, Teignmouth

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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

Objectives and aims

The Charity's objectives are for the public benefit.

To advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of Teignmouth, the United Kingdom or the World.

To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Teignmouth, The United Kingdom or the World.

The Vision of Simply Church is that we are Getting Connected - Loving Jesus and Living Out His Mission. The Mission of Simply Church is to explore together what it means to follow Jesus Christ and to invite others to join us in the journey.

We do this by: -

- Bringing a relevant message to this generation.
- Building and transforming communities that are lasting and real.
- Helping the poor and vulnerable.
- Working with those who are broken, hurting, and oppressed.
- Planting new churches to go on mission.

Simply Church believes that we are to do this through life changing, Holy Spirit motivating, unstoppable, unchangeable, overwhelming, radical love as we experience God's love for us and in turn, we love Him back. This enables us to love each other and the world radically. Love drives people to the most extraordinary things and, when we love God and each other like this, nothing becomes impossible.

We have continued to see the increase that God has been speaking to us about - not just in people joining the church, but in our love and desire for more of Jesus and the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We believe that this increase is going to continue and accelerate as we keep focused on Jesus and stay humble and dependant on our Heavenly Father. We believe that we will see breakthrough; in healing, in deliverance, in Salvation, that the supernatural will be the normal. To do this we believe God has called us to live in a way that we allow God to sharpen us through each other. This is not a call to judgmentalism, gossip or hard hearts, but a call to radical love, to prefer one another, to seek the best for each other, even at our own expense. We are to reflect Jesus to one another until Jesus can be seen in us and He sharpens us into His image.

So, we are continuing our focus of getting real, of being united together in Jesus, through his love, so that each one will reach one for the Glory of Jesus.

We believe in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and so encourage people to share, to wait on God and to pray for healing, so that the whole church can be built up together.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

The Church normally gathers in each other's homes to share and grow together and encourage a local mission of sharing the gospel where we live. From time to time these smaller Home Churches all gather together for worship and teaching. Most weeks we also share Communion together. Our service integrates all ages as we believe the Church is ultimately a family following God.

When our Churches come together for a united celebration service, we also use Facebook Live streaming for those who cannot attend to ensure that we can still worship God together. We have been joined also, on livestream, by many people who are not part of the church in normal circumstances. Alongside our gatherings we work through a book of the bible, which includes a reading plan for us all to follow and discuss, with application, together.

We believe that prayer is an essential part of our church, and so we encourage prayer whenever we meet. However, there are also monthly Prayer meetings when we gather to pray for our church, our town, and individuals.

We produce a weekly Newsletter to ensure that anybody who is interested can receive notification of our events, requests for prayer, access to the recording of our Sunday teaching, information about the special events of any other local churches and on occasion, information about any household items or services that people would like to pass on. Often people who visit on holiday ask to go on our mailing list to receive our Newsletter. We are fully GDPR compliant.

Other activities include Church Social activities, Church Weekends Away, and Away Days. We are passionate about both discovering what it means to follow Jesus and sharing the love and truth of Jesus Christ with everyone. This is not just in the things we say but also in what we do.

We aim to show by our words, but more importantly through our actions, that we are Christians. We aspire to share our faith with others in many ways: in individual interactions with people, and through our Food Bank, The Beacon, to help those in need.

The church also supports people from the church and those from outside when needed with financial support, goods, food or a top up on their electricity or gas keys, or, if they are in need of counselling, we facilitate this for them through a Christian counsellor.

The Church works with large number of young people on Friday evenings who, due to a lack of suitable provisions in the town, find themselves on the streets of Teignmouth.

Public benefit

The Church acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes that are for the public benefit, as required by the Charity Commission's statutory guidance on the matter.

The main activities in support of our charitable objectives are described in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Social investments

The Pow Wow Café Shop on Kingsway is normally open from Monday to Friday, selling hot and cold meals, coffees, and a range of household essentials. It is run by one paid supervisor from Simply Church, together with volunteers both from the Church and from the local community.

There is also a children's soft play area at Pow Wow and space for parents to sit and have a coffee while their younger children play. Pow Wow also has the only Paypoint facility in this part of town. The Church recognises the need to support the local community who rely heavily on this facility to maintain their gas and electricity and to pay their bills.

We normally run local groups at Pow Wow, such as Crochet, Knitting and Art, to encourage the local people to take part and enable us to get to know them better.

To further our objectives, we support those in debt or those who have addictions through our CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Centre. We also support CAP National financially and have a clothes swap in Pow Wow.

The church also supports two children in India through Compassion. This in turn also supports the families and the wider community in their villages. We also support financially a couple who work with people who are victims of trafficking in Greece, enabling them to continue their valuable work.

Further financial support is given to both CAP (Christians Against Poverty) and to South West Youth Ministries to support the work they do with the local community.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

We have 2 paid employees: The Pastor and the one part-time supervisor from Pow Wow Café Shop. All others who work with Simply Church are volunteering their time.

All those in leadership positions, and all those working in any capacity with children or vulnerable adults, at Simply Church have a current DBS certificate and are aware of the Safeguarding policy and procedures. The Charity also follows its Safer Recruitment Policy when employing staff or volunteers. All volunteers sign a Volunteer Agreement in line with the relevant policy.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Since making the transition from Mars Hill to Simply Church, we have been working out what a lifestyle of following Jesus and reaching out to our community looks like. How we can grow in dependance on God and know his love so we can reflect it to one another and those around us.

We learned to understand that Discipleship is not a theory but a practice; Christianity is not a concept but a lifestyle. We learned from the example of Jesus with His followers. 2022 was a year when we aimed to become intensely real and practical in how we live our lives for Jesus. Our aim was to pursue Jesus and His mission, striving for a lifestyle of Christianity that is united in purpose to enable us to see a town reached for Jesus, and this, not only in words, but mainly in living out our Christianity to help others in many ways.

During 2022 our Home Churches have become established and the new way of being church has been embraced by a great core of people. It has been a great learning curve for us all and we are still growing. We are looking forward to how God is leading us forward in this more real and stripped back way of living.

Life Plus ran during 2022 supporting some youth group trips as well as a local hospital. The work has been well received and has had a significant impact on helping people with some of the difficulties they face.

Street Team, our initiative working with young people who find themselves on the streets during Friday evenings, continues to be successful. We meet with large numbers of young people and providing a safe place for them, and a place where we can share Jesus and offer prayer.

Fundraising activities

No specific fundraising events were undertaken in 2022.

General donations are received by way of collections at services and events, and an increasing number of donors have set up monthly/recurring standing orders to donate as their tithe and offering to the church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Donations including Gift Aid increased from £79,389 in 2021 to £82,484 in 2022. This was despite the Tea Rooms not being able to offer a donation to the Church in 2022 (£5,000 in 2021). Whilst it is hoped that the Tea Rooms will be able to make an annual donation to the Church in future periods, 2022 was a very challenging year for that company. Whilst the Tea Rooms did break even for the year, covering all of its running costs without any support from the Church, it was not in a position to offer the Church a donation in this period.

Covid related grant income fell from £14,001 in 2021 to £2,767 in 2022.

The Pow Wow Cafe is operated from a separate site and income and expenditure is closely monitored. Staff costs are included in the Church's overall salary expenses. The Board are extremely pleased that the church is able to offer this valuable service to the community. Grant income for that site totalling £2,667 (£21,454 in 2021) during the year meant that Pow Wow generated a surplus for the period of £8,970 (£26,537 in 2021).

The accounts show total funds at the end of 2022 of £25,756. On 31st December 2021, the charity had total funds of £38,702. Whilst the 2022 accounts report a £12,946 deficit for the period, the Board understands that this is a result of the challenges faced with the continuing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Church has had to dip into its reserves during this transitional period as Covid support has been gradually withdrawn, but this is expected to be a temporary issue. The Board notes that donation income has increased, and donations from the Tea Rooms are expected to return in 2023.

The charity continues to receive donation income with a few donors making regular monthly donations to help support the charity as it develops. It is the charities long term goal not to rely on this income and reserves to cover the ongoing costs of the site etc.

It is hoped that over the coming years, donations from the Tea Rooms and auditorium hire income will increase and be sufficient to cover all general costs associated with the running and upkeep of the building. At that point donation income will purely be to allow the charity to fund further projects in the community, and to increase its surplus, providing security, and the opportunity to generate funding reserves.

Principal funding sources

The principal funding source of the charity is the income generated by offerings and tithes given by attendees at Sunday morning services along with one-off and regular donations to the general fund. The charity claims Gift Aid on all eligible offerings.

An annual donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd will be provided from the profits of that company. The Church also plans to generate additional income from auditorium hire.

Reserves policy

The Trust tries to hold cash reserves equivalent to three months outgoings to enable the charity to continue in the event of a major drop in income resulting from unforeseen circumstances or emergencies.

FUTURE PLANS

In the future the Church plans to develop the work of the charity in all its aims and objectives, including broadening the use of Pow Wow for charitable aims. We aim to develop the smaller Home Churches that meet more regularly, help and support people in their local communities, and encourage closer discipleship. The whole Church will then come together regularly to celebrate all that Jesus is doing amongst us. We hope to add new Home Churches as we see people come to faith and the Church grow.

We are also looking to develop Pow Wow and The Beacon, and to develop other projects as we help people out of the difficulties they face.

In Pow Wow Café, the intention is to develop the back room to be more of a Family Room, with people available to signpost or help with any family issues. There is a desire to increase the volunteer base so more time can be spent with people who come in looking for help, so they can offer prayer and support.

There are also plans to further develop the work with the young people in the town to help give them a purpose and a safe place to visit through the Street Team project.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The charity is controlled by its governing documents, its Articles and Memorandum of Association dated 27/04/2009 and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Charity constitution

The Constitution sets out the purpose/charitable objects of Simply Church and governs the appointment of Trustees as well as the proceedings of their meetings.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. The Pastor, who is also a Trustee, is paid by the charity as the founder and leader of the church. The Pastor also claims limited expenses, in order to carry out his pastoral role. These are noted in the accounts.

The Trust seeks to build and maintain a breadth of skills and professional experiences amongst its members. New trustees are recruited mainly by personal approaches after agreement with the full board. It is important for trustees to have an understanding of the spiritual work of the charity, so it is normally necessary for potential trustees to have been involved in some way with the charity before they can be seriously considered as a trustee. It is essential that any new Trustee is able to agree with the Statement of Faith and the Objects of the Charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

In 2022 there were 5 Trustees (reduced to 4 in July 2022), including the Pastor, who met regularly to discuss financial matters and to ensure the charity was complying with all legal requirements.

The Pastor is one of the two paid staff. He is paid as the Pastor and not as a Trustee.

The other paid member of staff in 2022 was the part-time supervisor at the Pow Wow Café Shop which is part of Simply Church and therefore of the charity.

Day to day responsibility for operations is delegated to the administrator and her staff, all of whom are volunteers, under the guidance of the Pastor.

There is no formal membership of the charity.

Decision making

The Board, consisting of four Trustees, normally meets bi-monthly to develop the strategic direction and policies for the charity. The Board makes decisions based on prayerful consideration and consensus, allowing individual views and concerns to be addressed as thoroughly as possible.

Induction and training of new trustees

New Trustees are provided with the Memorandum and Articles of Government as well as any charity policies.

Wider network

The Charity is an independent body of Christians who having no affiliation to any denomination. The Charity is associated with the Evangelical Alliance (EA).

Related parties

The Pastor, Mr David Longman, is also a serving Trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 for his position as Pastor.

He receives no remuneration for his position as a Trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel arrangements to enable his pastoral work. These are noted within the accounts.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06887961 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1129865

Simply Church, Teignmouth

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered office

The Riviera Cinema
Den Crescent
Teignmouth
Devon
TQ14 8BQ

Trustees

Mr S R Bones	Church Elder	Resigned on 22 nd July 2022
Mr D J Longman	Church Leader/Pastor	
Dr O Aworinde	Church Elder	
Mrs C E Morris	Chair of Trustees, Administrator	Resigned on 1 st January 2023
Mr R Gilbert	Church Elder	Appointed on 25 th February 2022

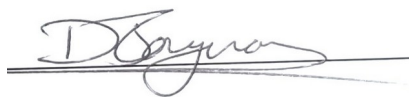
Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc
23 Wellington Street
Teignmouth
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TQ14 8HP

Independent examiner

South Devon Accounting Ltd
6 Orchard Close
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Newton Abbot
TQ12 6AL

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 7th September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Mr D J Longman - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Simply Church, Teignmouth ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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



Catherine Flannery, FMAAT, FCCA
South Devon Accounting Ltd
6 Orchard Close
Ogwell
Newton Abbot
TQ12 6AL

Date: 4th September 2022

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31.12.22 Total funds	31.12.21 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	81,251	-	81,251	93,390
Trading activities	3	33,243	-	33,243	39,584
Investment income	4	<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>
Total		114,496	-	114,496	132,974
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable Activities	5	127,442	-	127,442	116,108
Governance costs	-	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total		127,442	-	127,442	116,108
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(12,946)	-	(12,946)	16,866
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		38,702	-	38,702	21,836
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>25,756</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,756</u>	<u>38,702</u>

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

Simply Church, Teignmouth

Balance Sheet

At 31 December 2022

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31.12.22 Total funds	31.12.21 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	4,648	-	4,648	6,197
Investments	11	1	-	1	1
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash in hand		23,410	-	23,410	20,570
Gift aid accrual		-	-	-	13,488
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(2,303)	-	(2,303)	(1,554)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>21,107</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,107</u>	<u>32,504</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>25,756</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,756</u>	<u>38,702</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>25,756</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,756</u>	<u>38,702</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				25,756	38,702
Restricted funds				-	-
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>25,756</u>	<u>38,702</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2022.

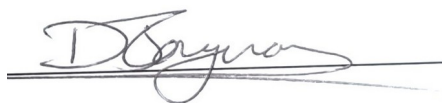
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 7th September 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D Longman', with a horizontal line drawn underneath it.

Mr D J Longman - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the economic life of that asset as follows: -

Equipment - 25% Reducing Balance Basis

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

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

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Tithes and Offerings	64,999	57,128
Donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd	-	5,000
Other Income	-	340
Gift Aid	13,485	16,921
Grant Income	<u>2,767</u>	<u>14,001</u>
	<u>81,251</u>	<u>93,390</u>

3. TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Pow Wow Income	31,036	39,046
Riviera Auditorium Income	<u>2,207</u>	<u>538</u>
	<u>33,243</u>	<u>39,584</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.202	31.12.21
	£	£
Interest receivable – trading	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Staff costs	46,943	49,334
Trustees' expenses	2,123	1,587
Repairs and maintenance	2,116	1,041
Gift and support	3,761	2,996
Rent & Rates	33,000	29,992
Food	237	535
Supplies for Auditorium Hire	-	159
Insurance	2,057	1,797
Utilities & Waste Removal	3,466	4,823
Resources	672	319
Advertising and printing	1,340	1,952
Sundries	-	238
Life Plus Expenses	2,974	600
Training and away days	40	870
Pow Wow Expenditure	22,066	12,509
Pensions	1,034	886
Stationery and office costs	559	966
Telephone	506	500
Remuneration for Independent Examination work	900	840
Legal and professional fees	1,771	1,830
Bank Charges	328	268
Depreciation	<u>1,549</u>	<u>2,066</u>
	<u>127,442</u>	<u>116,108</u>

The above charitable costs can be summarised as follows:

	£	£
Trading activity costs	22,066	29,502
Other costs	<u>105,376</u>	<u>86,606</u>
	<u>127,442</u>	<u>116,108</u>

6. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Depreciation – owned assets	1,549	2,066
Independent examination remuneration	<u>900</u>	<u>840</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 (2021: £35,000) for his position as Pastor. He receives no remuneration for his position as a trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses.

Trustees' expenses

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	<u>2,123</u>	<u>1,587</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

8. STAFF COSTS

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Wages and salaries	46,943	49,334
Other pension costs	<u>1,034</u>	<u>886</u>
	ASD	
	<u><u>47,977</u></u>	<u><u>50,220</u></u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

31.12.22	31.12.21
<u><u>2</u></u>	<u><u>2</u></u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	93,390	-	93,390
Other trading activities	39,584	-	39,584
Investment income	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	132,974	-	132,974
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	116,108	-	116,108
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	116,108	-	116,108
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	21,836	-	21,836
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	21,836	-	21,836
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>38,702</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>38,702</u></u>

Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £
COST	
At 1 January 2021	45,860
Additions during year	—
At 31 December 2021	<u>45,860</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2021	39,663
Charge for year	<u>1,549</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>41,212</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2022	<u><u>4,648</u></u>
At 31 December 2021	<u><u>6,197</u></u>

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

The charity's wholly owned subsidiary, Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd, had share capital and reserves of £1 (2021: £1) at 31st December 2022.

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	1,223	593
Accrued expenses	<u>1,080</u>	<u>961</u>
	<u><u>2,303</u></u>	<u><u>1,554</u></u>

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	38,702	(12,946)	25,756
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>38,702</u></u>	<u><u>(12,946)</u></u>	<u><u>25,756</u></u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,496	(127,442)	(12,946)
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,496</u>	<u>(127,442)</u>	<u>(12,946)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	21,836	16,866	38,702
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>21,836</u>	<u>16,866</u>	<u>38,702</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	132,974	(116,108)	16,866
Restricted fund	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>132,974</u>	<u>(116,108)</u>	<u>16,866</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	21,836	3,920	25,756
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>21,836</u>	<u>3,920</u>	<u>25,756</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	247,470	(243,550)	3,920
Restricted fund			
Restricted fund	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>247,470</u>	<u>(234,550)</u>	<u>3,920</u>

14. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The amount recognised as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £1,034 (2021: £886).

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £37,100 (reviewed and increased from £35,000 in June 2022) for his position as Pastor. He also receives reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses. These are noted within the accounts.

In addition, the Pastor's wife, Lucy Longman, was appointed in March 2018 as a supervisor at the Pow Wow Café Shop. In 2022 her annual salary was £8,893 (£10,336 in 2021).

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Tithes and Offerings	64,999	57,128
Donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd	-	5,000
Other Income	-	340
Gift aid	13,485	16,921
Grant Income	<u>2,767</u>	<u>14,001</u>
	81,251	93,390
Other trading activities		
Pow Wow Income	31,036	39,046
Riviera Auditorium Income	<u>2,207</u>	<u>538</u>
	114,494	132,974
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>
Total incoming resources	114,496	132,974
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Trustees' expenses	2,123	1,587
Wages	46,943	49,334
Food	237	535
Repairs and maintenance	2,116	1,041
Gift and support	3,761	2,996
Rent & Rates	33,000	29,992
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Pow Wow Expenditure	22,066	12,509
Pensions	1,034	886
Stationery and office costs	559	966
Telephone	506	500
Sundries	-	238
Life Plus Expenses	2,974	600
Training and away days	40	870
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>1,549</u>	<u>2,066</u>
	124,443	113,170

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Other costs		
Auditors' remuneration for non-audit work	900	840
Bank charges	328	268
Professional and legal fees	1,771	1,830
Exceptional items	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>2,999</u>	<u>2,938</u>
Total resources expended	127,442	116,108
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net Income/Expenditure	<u><u>(12,946)</u></u>	<u><u>16,886</u></u>

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

England & Wales - Charity number 1129865

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06887961 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1129865

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021
for
Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

South Devon Accounting Ltd
6 Orchard Close
Ogwell
Newton Abbot
TQ12 6AL

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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

Objectives and aims

The Charity's objectives are for the public benefit.

To advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of Teignmouth, the United Kingdom or the World.

To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Teignmouth, The United Kingdom or the World.

The Vision of Simply Church is that we are Getting Connected - Loving Jesus and Living Out His Mission. The Mission of Simply Church is to explore together what it means to follow Jesus Christ and to invite others to join us in the journey.

We do this by: -

- Bringing a relevant message to this generation.
- Building and transforming communities that are lasting and real.
- Helping the poor and vulnerable and working with those who are broken, hurting, and oppressed.
- Planting new churches to go on mission.

Simply Church believes that we are to do this through life changing, Holy Spirit motivating, unstoppable, unchangeable, overwhelming, radical love as we experience God's love for us and in turn, we love Him back. This enables us to love each other and the world radically. Love drives people to the most extraordinary things and, when we love God and each other like this, nothing becomes impossible.

We have continued to see the increase that God has been speaking to us about - not just in people joining the church, but in our love and desire for more of Jesus and the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We believe that this increase is going to continue and accelerate as we keep focused on Jesus and stay humble and dependant on our Heavenly Father. We believe that we will see breakthrough; in healing, in deliverance, in Salvation, that the supernatural will be the normal. To do this we believe God has called us to live in a way that we allow God to sharpen us through each other. This is not a call to judgmentalism, gossip or hard hearts, but a call to radical love, to prefer one another, to seek the best for each other, even at our own expense. We are to reflect Jesus to one another until Jesus can be seen in us and He sharpens us into His image.

So, we are continuing our focus of getting real, of being united together in Jesus, through his love, so that each one will reach one for the Glory of Jesus.

We believe in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and so encourage people to share, to wait on God and to pray for healing, so that the whole church can be built up together.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

In September 2021, Mars Hill Church transitioned to Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd. This is more than just a name change: we have changed the whole culture of the church to live out a culture of what it means to follow Jesus.

The church is now split into smaller Home Churches to help to facilitate deeper discipleship and more intentional outreach. These meet together regularly during the week and on some Sundays. They also come together as a whole church once or twice a month for corporate teaching and an opportunity to share what God is saying and doing.

The children have now been brought more consistently into our whole church gatherings, where they are always encouraged to ask questions and to take part. They still have age specific gatherings mid-week for further study and to invite their friends along.

Our gatherings now are much more relational, encouraging everyone to take part and to use their gifts. We still livestream our main corporate services.

The House Churches continue to meet mid-week and children are encouraged to be part of this. However, we don't want to restrict gatherings to two a week: we encourage the church to meet daily and to do life together.

All of our discipleship and pastoral care comes through more vulnerable and relational situations where everybody is able to support one another. During these times we share, pray and encourage each other to apply what God has been revealing to us.

We still meet monthly for our Prayer Gathering with all the Home Churches together: sometimes these times including musical worship also. We also take part all together in 'Away Days' or Weekends Away. However, we are trying to decentralise overall by holding fewer corporate activities. Instead, we encourage the Home Churches to initiate these as they respond to the needs of their communities.

Our Food Bank, the Beacon, is still operational for those who are in need, both from within and outside the church. Although we have a co-ordinator, this is open to anybody within the church to enable them to support people, not only with food items but also in any other ways that become apparent by building a relationship with them. Such support may be in helping with shopping, or by introducing them to a clothing project. We also support people both from within and outside of the church with financial support, goods, food, or a top up on their electricity or gas keys. If they are in need of counselling, we facilitate this for them through a Christian counsellor.

The overall objective is to live out and share the Gospel in every way.

Public benefit

The Church acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes that are for the public benefit, as required by the Charity Commission's statutory guidance on the matter.

The main activities in support of our charitable objectives are described in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Social investments

The Pow Wow Café Shop on Kingsway is normally open from Monday to Friday (closed Thursday), selling hot and cold meals, coffees, and a range of household essentials. It is run by one paid supervisor from Simply Church, together with volunteers both from the church, and increasingly, from the local community.

There is also an improved and revamped children's soft play area at Pow Wow, with seating so parents can sit and have a coffee together while their younger children play. Pow Wow also has the only Paypoint facility in this part of town. We have managed to keep this functioning throughout lockdowns to support the local community who rely heavily on this facility to maintain their gas and electricity and to pay their bills.

We normally run local groups at Pow Wow, such as crochet, knitting and art, to encourage the local people to take part and to enable us to get to know them better.

To further develop our objectives, we support those in debt or those who have addictions through our local CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Centre, with which we are closely associated. We also support CAP National financially.

Simply Church also supports two children in India through Compassion. The money given mainly by our Children's and Youth groups ensures that these children can go to school and hopefully, on to further education. This in turn also supports the families and the wider community in their villages. We also support financially a couple who work with people who are victims of trafficking in Greece, enabling them to continue their valuable work.

Further financial support is given to both CAP (Christians Against Poverty) and to South West Youth Ministries to support the work they do within the local community.

Also, The Beacon Food Bank, part of Simply Church, is there to support anybody who is in need, both from within and outside the church.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

We have 2 paid employees: The Pastor and the one part-time supervisor from Pow Wow Café Shop.

All others who work with Simply Church are volunteering their time.

All those in leadership positions, and all those working in any capacity at Simply Church with children or vulnerable adults, have a current DBS certificate and are aware of the Safeguarding policy and procedures. The Charity also follows its Safer Recruitment Policy when employing staff or volunteers. All volunteers sign a Volunteer Agreement in line with the relevant policy.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Our Vision for 2021 comes from Hebrews 10:24-25 which says:

“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

We spent a lot of time during the early part of 2021 looking at what this means for Simply Church, exploring the way we could put this into practice.

We are learning to understand that Discipleship is not a theory but a practice: Christianity is not a concept but a lifestyle. We learn from the example of Jesus with his followers, and through studying the apostles from the Book of Acts. Previously, we had begun to learn to become intensely real and practical and to know that all we needed was a moment of insane courage, of outrageous bravery, to impact someone's life. Our target in all this was: Each One to Reach One. Our aim was to pursue Jesus and His mission, striving for a lifestyle of Christianity that is united in purpose to enable us to see a town reached for Jesus, and this, not only in words, but mainly in living out our Christianity to help others in many other ways.

Our target for 2021 was to burn with a greater passion for Jesus until everyone we meet is infected by His supernatural love and power, and daily we begin to see people being saved. We have been learning how to build one another up, sharpening each other in our mission, and we continue to encourage this in our new format for church, through our Home Churches and corporate gatherings.

Life + started up again during 2021, after being on hold right through the various Covid lockdowns, and has worked with various local groups of adults, young people and families in becoming active again through walking, climbing, abseiling and other skills, using Dartmoor as our local area.

We have also opened up the Street Team activities further during 2021, to work regularly on a Friday evening, supporting the Young People who congregate in the town, often providing water or hot drinks, depending on the weather, for them. Regularly the Team speak to large groups of Young People, getting to know them and supporting them in various ways.

Fundraising activities

No specific fundraising events were undertaken in 2021 due to the restrictions in place.

General donations are received by way of collections at services and events, and an increasing number of donors who have set up monthly/recurring standing orders to donate as their tithe and offering to the church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Donations including Gift Aid increased from £72,606 in 2020 to £79,389 in 2021. This included a £5,000 donation from the Tea Rooms, now a separate company in its own right, owned by the charity (see below). Covid related grant income of £14,001 was also received during the period, which assisted in covering any shortfall in income as a result of the impact of the pandemic and the various lockdowns.

On 1st January 2021 the Tea Rooms began trading as a separate company, Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd, with Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd the 100% shareholder. The Tea Rooms took responsibility for all its own expenditure, including rent and utilities, resulting in reduced running costs being attributable to the Church accounts. The Tea Rooms also made a £5,000 donation to the Church in December 2021, before the end of its first trading year.

The Board is pleased that the Tea Rooms has covered all costs and made sufficient profits to allow a donation to the Church, especially given the challenges face in relation to the ongoing pandemic, which put great strain on the hospitality sector. It is hoped that the Tea Rooms success will continue to grow, and it will be in a position to donate to the Church on an annual basis.

The Pow Wow Cafe is operated from a separate site and income and expenditures is closely monitored. Staff costs are included in the Church's overall salary expenses. The Board are extremely pleased that the church is able to offer this valuable service to the community. Grant income for that site totalling £21,454 (including £5,357 in JRS Grants) during the year meant that Pow Wow generated a surplus for the period of £26,537 (£14,769 in 2020). During 2020 £11,573 of Grant income (including £1,073 of JRS Grant income) was received.

The accounts show total funds at the end of 2021 of £38,702. On 31st December 2020, the charity had total funds of £21,836. The Board is pleased that funds have increased despite continuing premises refurbishment, and the challenges faced with the continuing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The charity continues to receive donation income with a few donors making regular monthly donations to help support the charity as it develops. It is the charities long term goal not to rely on this income and reserves to cover the ongoing costs of the site etc.

It is hoped that over the coming years, donations from the Tea Rooms and auditorium hire income will increase and be sufficient to cover all general costs associated with the running and upkeep of the building. At that point donation income will purely be to allow the charity to fund further projects in the community, and to increase its surplus, providing security, and the opportunity to generate funding reserves.

Principal funding sources

The principal funding source of the charity is the income generated by offerings and tithes given by attendees at Sunday morning services along with one-off and regular donations to the general fund. The charity claims Gift Aid on all eligible offerings.

An annual donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd will be provided from the profits of that company. The Church also plans to generate additional income from auditorium hire.

Reserves policy

The Trust tries to hold cash reserves equivalent to three months outgoings to enable the charity to continue in the event of a major drop in income resulting from unforeseen circumstances or emergencies.

FUTURE PLANS

In the future, Simply Church plans to develop the work of the charity in all its aims and objectives, including broadening the use of Pow Wow for charitable aims. We have now split the church into small Home Churches that meet more regularly, help and support people in their local communities and encourage closer discipleship. We also meet together regularly as a whole church to celebrate all that Jesus is doing among us. Our desire is to develop this culture so it becomes part of our everyday life.

We are also looking to develop Pow Wow and The Beacon, and to develop other projects now that we have been released from Covid restrictions. At The Riviera, we intend to develop the back room to be more of a Family Room, with people available to signpost or help with any family issues. This room is also home to The Beacon. Although the Tea Rooms is now a company in its own right, it is still part of the church. Previous to the pandemic, we successfully ran an afternoon Question Time about life and life and faith. The plan now is to set up a Prayer Tent to meet with people more regularly and to support them in ways already discussed.

The charity also plans to continue the renovation of the cinema building, to re-install the lift into the lift shaft to make the building more accessible to all, as soon as the necessary funds become available.

There are also plans to further development the work with the young people in the town, to help them find a purpose in life and to have a safe place to visit.

Once the renovation of the cinema is complete, it is aimed to provide more appropriate shows, concerts and even films in the auditorium, all in line with our Vision and Values.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The charity is controlled by its governing documents, its Articles and Memorandum of Association dated 27/04/2009 and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Charity constitution

The Constitution sets out the purpose/charitable objects of Simply Church and governs the appointment of Trustees as well as the proceedings of their meetings.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. The Pastor, who is also a Trustee, is paid by the charity as the founder and leader of the church. The Pastor also claims limited expenses, in order to carry out his pastoral role. These are noted in the accounts.

The Trust seeks to build and maintain a breadth of skills and professional experiences amongst its members. New trustees are recruited mainly by personal approaches after agreement with the full board. It is important for trustees to have an understanding of the spiritual work of the charity, so it is normally necessary for potential trustees to have been involved in some way with the charity before they can

be seriously considered as a trustee. It is essential that any new Trustee is able to agree with the Statement of Faith and the Objects of the Charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

In 2021 there were 4 Trustees, including the Pastor, who met regularly to discuss financial matters and to ensure the charity was complying with all legal requirements. Many of the meetings were held by Zoom due to Covid-19 restrictions. In February 2022 a fifth Trustee was appointed.

The Pastor is one of the two paid staff. He is paid as the Pastor and not as a Trustee.

The other paid staff in 2021 was the part-time supervisor at the Pow Wow Café Shop which is part of Simply Church and therefore of the charity. During the various lockdowns, due to Covid-19, we have placed the Pow Wow staff on furlough, claiming 80% of their salary from HMRC but actually paying them full pay, the other 20% coming from charity funds.

Day to day responsibility for operations is delegated to the administrator and her staff, all of whom are volunteers, under the guidance of the Pastor.

There is no formal membership of the charity: numbers attending the church vary but approximately 60 people attend Sunday services regularly.

Decision making

The Board, consisting of four trustees, normally meets bi-monthly to develop the strategic direction and policies for the charity. The Board makes decisions based on prayerful consideration and consensus, allowing individual views and concerns to be addressed as thoroughly as possible.

Induction and training of new trustees

New Trustees are provided with the Memorandum and Articles of Government as well as any charity policies.

Wider network

The Charity is an independent body of Christians who having no affiliation to any denomination. The Charity is associated with the Evangelical Alliance (EA).

Related parties

The Pastor, Mr David Longman, is also a serving Trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £35,000 for his position as Pastor. He receives no remuneration for his position as a Trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel arrangements to enable his pastoral work. These are noted within the accounts.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06887961 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1129865

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered office

The Riviera Cinema
Den Crescent
Teignmouth
Devon
TQ14 8BQ

Trustees

Mr S R Bones	Church Elder	
Mr C J Higham	Church Elder	Resigned on 18 th January 2021
Mr D J Longman	Church Leader/Pastor	
Dr O Aworinde	Church Elder	Appointed on 18 th January 2021
Mrs C E Morris	Chair of Trustees, Administrator	
Mr R Gilbert	Church Elder	Appointed on 25 th February 2022

Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc
23 Wellington Street
Teignmouth
Devon
TQ14 8HP

Independent examiner

South Devon Accounting Ltd
6 Orchard Close
Ogwell
Newton Abbot
TQ12 6AL

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 7th July 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Mrs C E Morris - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd ('the Company')

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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



Catherine Flannery, FMAAT, FCCA
South Devon Accounting Ltd
6 Orchard Close
Ogwell
Newton Abbot
TQ12 6AL

Date: 22nd June 2022

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

		Unrestrict ed fund	Restricted fund	31.12.21 Total funds	31.12.20 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	93,390	-	93,390	90,278
Trading activities	3	39,584	-	39,584	142,538
Investment income	4	-	-	-	3
Total		132,974	-	132,974	232,819
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable Activities	5	116,108	-	116,108	227,071

Governance costs

-

-

-

-

Total
116,108
-
116,108
227,071

The notes form part of these financial statements

NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

16,866
-
16,866
5,748

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total funds brought forward

21,836
-
21,836
16,088

TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD

38,702
-
38,702
21,836

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

Balance Sheet

At 31 December 2021

		Unrestrict ed fund	Restricted fund	31.12.21 Total funds	31.12.20 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	6,197	-	6,197	6,912
Investments	11	1	-	1	-
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash in hand		20,570	-	15,251	15,250
Gift aid accrual		13,488	-	13,488	

CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year

12
(1,554)

-
(1,554)
(326)

NET CURRENT ASSETS

32,505

-
32,505
21,836

The notes form part of these financial statements

TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES

38,702
-
38,702
21,836

NET ASSETS

38,702
-
38,702
21,836

FUNDS	13		
Unrestricted funds		38,702	21,836
Restricted funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>38,702</u></u>	<u><u>21,836</u></u>

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

Balance Sheet - continued

At 31 December 2021

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 7th July 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



.....
Mrs C E Morris -Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the economic life of that asset as follows: -

Equipment - 25% Reducing Balance Basis

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

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

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Tithes and Offerings	57,128	59,874
Donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd	5,000	-
Other Income	340	990
Gift Aid	16,921	11,742
Grant Income	<u>14,001</u>	<u>17,672</u>
	<u>93,390</u>	<u>90,278</u>

3. TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Pow Wow Income	39,046	34,231
Tea Room Income	-	107,647
Riviera Auditorium Income	<u>538</u>	<u>660</u>
	<u>39,584</u>	<u>142,538</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.201	31.12.20
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Staff costs	49,334	49,154
Trustees' expenses	1,587	1,251
Repairs and maintenance	1,041	393
Gift and support	2,996	3,678
Rent & Rates	29,992	63,377
Food	535	2,898
Supplies for Auditorium Hire	159	-
Insurance	1,797	2,596
Utilities & Waste Removal	4,823	10,031
Resources	319	948
Advertising and printing	1,952	2,236
Sundries	238	270
Life Plus Expenses	600	120
Training and away days	870	107
Pow Wow Expenditure	12,509	19,462
Pensions	886	1,245
Stationery and office costs	966	972
Telephone	500	468
Tearoom expenditure	-	62,801
Remuneration for Independent Examination work	840	780
Legal and professional fees	1,830	1,668
Bank Charges	268	312
Depreciation	<u>2,066</u>	<u>2,304</u>
	<u>116,108</u>	<u>227,071</u>

The above charitable costs can be summarised as follows:

	£	£
Trading activity costs	29,502	101,417
Other costs	<u>86,606</u>	<u>125,654</u>
	<u>116,108</u>	<u>227,071</u>

6. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	2,066	2,304
Independent examination remuneration	<u>840</u>	<u>780</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £35,000 (2020: £30,000) for his position as Pastor. He receives no remuneration for his position as a trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses.

Trustees' expenses

31.12.21 31.12.20

Trustees' expenses

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£
1,587

£
1,251

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

8. STAFF COSTS

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Wages and salaries	49,334	49,154
Other pension costs	<u>886</u>	<u>1,245</u>
	<u>50,220</u>	<u>50,399</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

31.12.21	31.12.20
<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestrict ed fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	90,278	-	90,278
Other trading activities	142,538	-	142,538
Investment income	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>
Total	232,819	-	232,819
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	227,071	-	227,071

Other
-
-
-

Total

227,071
-
227,071

NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)
5,748
-
5,748

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total funds brought forward
16,088
-
16,088

TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD
21,836
-
21,836

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £
COST	
At 1 January 2021	44,509
Additions during year	<u>1,351</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>45,860</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2021	37,597
Charge for year	<u>2,066</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>39,663</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2021	<u>6,197</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>6,912</u>

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

The charity's wholly owned subsidiary, Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd, had share capital and reserves of £1 (2020: £Nil) at 31st December 2021.

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

31.12.21

31.12.20

£

£

Social security and other taxes

593
(454)

Accrued expenses

961
780

1,554
326

13.
MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.21		
	Net movement in funds		
	At 31.12.21		
	£		
	£		
	£		
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	21,836	16,866	38,702
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	21,836	16,866	38,702

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund			
132,974			
(116,108)			
16,866			
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds			
-			
-			
-			
TOTAL FUNDS			
132,974			
(116,108)			
16,866			

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.20	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.20
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,088	5,748	21,836
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds			
-			
-			
-			
TOTAL FUNDS			
16,088			
5,748			
21,836			

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund			
Restricted fund			
232,819			
-			
(227,071)			
-			
5,748			
-			

TOTAL FUNDS
232,819
(227,071)
5,748

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.20	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,088	22,614	38,702
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	—	—	—
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>16,088</u>	<u>22,614</u>	<u>38,702</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

Incoming resources
Resources expended
Movement in funds
£
£
£

Unrestricted funds

General fund
365,793
(343,179)
22,614

Restricted fund

Restricted fund

-

TOTAL FUNDS

365,793
(343,179)
22,614

**14.
PENSION COMMITMENTS**

The amount recognised as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £886 (2020: £1,245).

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £35,000 (reviewed and increased to £35,000 in July 2021) for his position as Pastor. He also receives reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses. These are noted within the accounts.

In addition, the Pastor's wife, Lucy Longman, was appointed in March 2018 as joint supervisor of Pow Wow Café Shop. In 2021 her annual salary was £10,336 (£9,282 in 2020).

Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Tithes and Offerings	57,128	59,874
Donation from Riviera Tea Rooms Ltd	5,000	-
Other Income	340	990
Gift aid	16,921	11,742
Grant Income	<u>14,001</u>	<u>17,672</u>
	93,390	90,278
Other trading activities		
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Tea Room Income	-	107,647
Riviera Auditorium Income	<u>538</u>	<u>660</u>
	132,974	142,538
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>
Total incoming resources	132,974	232,819
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Trustees' expenses	1,587	1,251
Wages	49,334	49,154
Food	535	2,898
Repairs and maintenance	1,041	393
Gift and support	2,996	3,678
Rent & Rates	29,992	63,377
Insurance	1,797	2,596
Utilities & Waste Removal	4,823	10,031
Resources	319	948
Advertising and printing	1,952	2,236
Supplies for Auditorium hire	159	-
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Telephone	500	468
Tea room expenditure	-	62,801
Sundries	238	270
Life Plus Expenses	600	120
Training and away days	870	107
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>2,066</u>	<u>2,304</u>
	113,170	224,311

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Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

31.12.21 31.12.20

£

£

Other costs

Auditors' remuneration for non-audit work

840

780

Bank charges

268

312

Professional and legal fees

1,830

1,668

Exceptional items

-

-

2,938

2,760

Total resources expended

116,108

227,071

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Net Income/Expenditure

<u>16,866</u>	<u>5,748</u>
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Simply Church, Teignmouth Ltd

England & Wales - Charity number 1129865

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06887961 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1129865

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020
for
Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

South Devon Accounting Ltd
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Ogwell
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Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth

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Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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

Objectives and aims

The Charity's objectives are for the public benefit.

To advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of Teignmouth, the United Kingdom or the World.

To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Teignmouth, The United Kingdom or the World.

The Vision of Mars Hill Church is that we are Getting Connected - Loving Jesus and Living Out His Mission. The Mission of Mars Hill Church is to explore together what it means to follow Jesus Christ and to invite others to join us in the journey.

We do this by: -

- Bringing a relevant message to this generation.
- Building and transforming communities that are lasting and real.
- Helping the poor and vulnerable and working with those who are broken, hurting, and oppressed.
- Planting new churches to go on mission.

Mars Hill Church believes that we are to do this through life changing, Holy Spirit motivating, unstoppable, unchangeable, overwhelming, radical love as we experience God's love for us and in turn, we love Him back. This enables us to love each other and the world radically. Love drives people to the most extraordinary things and, when we love God and each other like this, nothing becomes impossible.

We believe that as 2020 has drawn to a close, we have continued to see the increase that God has been speaking to us about - not just in people joining the church, but in our love and desire for more of Jesus and the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We believe that this increase is going to continue and accelerate as we keep focused on Jesus and stay humble and dependant on our Heavenly Father. We believe that we will see breakthrough; in healing, in deliverance, in Salvation, that the supernatural will be the normal. To do this we believe God has called us to live in a way that we allow God to sharpen us through each other. This is not a call to judgmentalism, gossip or hard hearts, but a call to radical love, to prefer one another, to seek the best for each other, even at our own expense. We are to reflect Jesus to one another until Jesus can be seen in us and He sharpens us into His image.

So, we are continuing our focus of getting real, of being united together in Jesus, through his love, so that each one will reach one for the Glory of Jesus.

We believe in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and so encourage people to share, to wait on God and to pray for healing, so that the whole church can be built up together.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

The Church normally gathers for worship and teaching at 11am every Sunday morning, serving drinks and cakes from 10.30am. Most weeks we also share Communion together. Our service integrates all ages and consists of two main elements: a life transforming message, which is relevant and real, and worship, which is consistent with today's culture.

The Kids' Church begins the service with the main Church but then breaks into various age groups with their own leaders for age-appropriate activities. The teaching from the service is recorded and is available to listen to via our church website. Our Pastor preaches most weeks although we do have some guest speakers, including our Elders, occasionally. During 2020, due to Covid-19 restrictions, it has not always been possible to meet in person, but we have used Zoom and Facebook Livestreaming to ensure that we can still worship God together. We have been joined also, on livestream, by many people who are not part of the church in normal circumstances.

We believe that God calls us to work out our faith together so during the week the church splits into smaller Connect groups, meeting at different places during the week to discuss the teaching from the Sunday service and to pray together. These Connect Groups form the basis of the Pastoral Support available to any who are in need. We have adult groups as well as Junior and Youth Connect groups. Again, during Covid-19 restrictions, these have been arranged via Zoom. There are also monthly Prayer meetings when we gather to pray for our church, our town, and individuals.

We produce a weekly Newsletter to ensure that anybody who is interested can receive notification of our events, requests for prayer, access to the recording of our Sunday teaching, information about the special events of any other local churches and on occasion, information about any household items or services that people would like to pass on. Often people who visit on holiday ask to go on our mailing list to receive our Newsletter. We are fully GDPR compatible.

Other activities include Church Social activities, Men's and Ladies' Connections, Youth and Kids' events and Church Weekends Away. We are passionate about both discovering what it means to follow Jesus and sharing the love and truth of Jesus Christ with everyone. This is not just in the things we say but also in what we do. Due to Covid-19 restrictions these activities have been affected but we have kept in touch through Livestream and Zoom.

We aim to show by our words, but more importantly through our actions, that we are Christians. We aspire to share our faith with others in many ways: in individual interactions with people, and through our Food Bank, The Beacon, to help those in need.

The church also supports people from the church and those from outside when needed with financial support, goods, food or a top up on their electricity or gas keys, or, if they are in need of counselling, we facilitate this for them through a Christian counsellor.

Public benefit

The Church acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes that are for the public benefit, as required by the Charity Commission's statutory guidance on the matter.

The main activities in support of our charitable objectives are described in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Social investments

The Pow Wow Café Shop on Kingsway is normally open from Monday to Friday, selling hot and cold meals, coffees, and a range of household essentials. However, during both lockdowns during the year, it has been functioning as a takeaway facility only. It is run by two paid supervisors from Mars Hill Church, together with volunteers both from the church and, increasingly, from the local community. There is also a children's soft play area at Pow Wow and space for parents to sit and have a coffee while their younger children play. Pow Wow also has the only Paypoint facility in this part of town. We have managed to keep this functioning throughout both lockdowns to support the local community who rely heavily on this facility to maintain their gas and electricity and to pay their bills.

We normally run local groups at Pow Wow, such as Crochet, Knitting and Art, to encourage the local people to take part and enable us to get to know them better. Our Ladies' Group meets at Pow Wow every two months on a Sunday evening for a 'Just Be' event. This is open not only to Mars Hill Ladies but also to any local ladies who live in Teignmouth - and this is represented in those who attend. Each evening is a laid-back time to 'just be' and incorporates a testimony of God's provision or power. Again, there has been little activity with this during the lockdowns.

To further our objectives, we support those in debt or those who have addictions through our CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Centre. We also support CAP National financially.

The Tea Rooms have been open 6 days a week, mainly as a takeaway, or through our delivery service, due to Covid-19 restrictions, serving hot meals, soup and bread, open sandwiches, scones, cream teas, and cakes with coffee, tea or soft drinks. There are two paid supervisors, one of whom is full-time and the other part-time, and a team of volunteers from within the church. The plan was always to build on the increasing success of the Tea Rooms so that it can cover its own utility bills and rent, which, despite Covid-19, became a reality during the year. Eventually, any profit made will be put back into the reserves to support the development of facilities to benefit the community of Teignmouth.

The church also supports two children in India through Compassion. The money given by our Children's and Youth Groups ensures that these children can go to school and hopefully on to further education. This in turn also supports the families and the wider community in their villages. We also support financially a couple who work with people who are victims of trafficking in Greece, enabling them to continue their valuable work.

Further financial support is given to both CAP (Christians Against Poverty) and to South West Youth Ministries to support the work they do with the local community.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

We have 5 paid employees: The Pastor, the two part-time supervisors from Pow Wow Café Shop and the two staff of the Tea Rooms. All others who work with Mars Hill are volunteering their time.

All those in leadership positions, and all those working in any capacity with children or vulnerable adults, at Mars Hill Church have a current DBS certificate and are aware of the Safeguarding policy and procedures. The Charity also follows its Safer Recruitment Policy when employing staff or volunteers. All volunteers sign a Volunteer Agreement in line with the relevant policy.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Following our Vision for 2017, Authentic Love, when we explored how we could show God's crazy, outrageous love to each other and to the community around us in an authentic, real, genuine way, we moved into 2018 with a Vision of being United - Together on A Mission. In 2019 and 2020 our Vision became 'SHARPER STILL', showing how we can encourage shared Christian living.

We learned to understand that Discipleship is not a theory but a practice: Christianity is not a concept but a lifestyle. We learned from the example of Jesus with His followers. 2018 was a year when we aimed to become intensely real and practical and to know that all we needed was a moment of insane courage, of outrageous bravery, to impact someone's life. Our target in all this was: Each One to Reach One. Our aim was to pursue Jesus and His mission, striving for a lifestyle of Christianity that is united in purpose to enable us to see a town reached for Jesus, and this, not only in words, but mainly in living out our Christianity to help others in many ways.

Our target for 2019 was to burn with a greater passion for Jesus until everyone we meet is infected by His supernatural love and power, and daily we begin to see people being saved. In 2020, with Sharper Still, we learned how to build each other up, sharpening each other in our mission. We began to develop accountability within that.

Due to Covid-19, many plans for the building and its use have had to be put on hold. We have been able to develop The Beacon, our Food Bank, helping several families with food parcels and hampers during this time. Pow Wow Café has had the time to rethink and reorganise the Soft Play area ready for when it is able to reopen in 2021.

The work with Life Plus also had to be put on hold for most of the year, but this gave time to prepare plans for 2021 and an increased activity programme for young people from the local area.

Fundraising activities

No specific fundraising events were undertaken in 2020 due to the restrictions in place.

General donations are received by way of collections at services and events, and an increasing number of donors who have set up monthly/recurring standing orders to donate Mars Hill as their tithe and offering to the church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Donations including Gift Aid decreased from £101,707 in 2019 to £72,606 in 2020. This was expected as the Church was unable to run many of its events due to Covid restrictions. The 2019 figures also included £15,683 of donations from a specific fundraising drive to contribute towards the rent of the building.

Covid related grant income of £17,672 was also received during the period, which assisted in covering any shortfall in income as a result of the impact of the pandemic and the various lockdowns.

The Pow Wow cafe is operated from a separate site and income and expenditures are closely monitored. Staff costs are included in the Church's overall salary expenses. The Board are extremely pleased that the church is able to offer this valuable service to the community. Grant income for that site during the year meant that Pow Wow generated a surplus for the period of £14,769.

Increased success with the Tea Rooms, which generated net income of £44,846, despite taking on more of its related costs including utilities, contributed to an overall surplus for the year of £5,748, compared to a £2,612 deficit for 2019. Due to its success in 2020, when its takings of £107,647 (2019: £56,654) exceeded the VAT threshold, a separate company has been set up from 1 January 2021.

The accounts show total funds at the end of 2020 of £21,836. On 31st December 2019, the charity had total funds of £16,088. The Board is pleased that funds have increased despite the continuing premises refurbishment, and that the Church, Tea Rooms and Pow Wow have also faced a challenging year with the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The charity continues to receive donation income with a few donors making regular monthly donations to help support the charity as it develops. It is the charities long term goal not to rely on this income and reserves to cover the ongoing costs of the site etc. It is hoped that over the coming years, income from the Tea Rooms and auditorium hire will increase and be sufficient to cover all general costs associated with the running and upkeep of the building. At that point donation income will purely be to allow the charity to increase its surplus, providing security and the opportunity to generate funding reserves.

Principal funding sources

The principle funding source of the charity is the income generated by offerings and tithes given by attendees at Sunday morning services along with one-off and regular donations to the general fund. The charity claims Gift Aid on all eligible offerings.

In addition, the church is now starting to generate income from the Tea Rooms and auditorium hire. It is hoped that in time, the income for these activities will cover the general expenditure of the building, freeing up income from donations to be spent on further projects and services for the community.

Reserves policy

The Trust tries to hold cash reserves equivalent to three months outgoings to enable the charity to continue in the event of a major drop in income resulting from unforeseen circumstances or emergencies.

FUTURE PLANS

In the future we are looking to develop the work of the charity in all its aims and objectives, including broadening the use of Pow Wow for charitable aims and continuing to develop the Riviera Tea Rooms. From early July 2021, we aim to split the church into small home churches that meet more regularly, help and support people in their local communities, and encourage closer discipleship. The whole church will become Simply Church, coming together regularly to celebrate all that Jesus is doing amongst us.

We are also looking to develop Pow Wow, the Tea Rooms and The Beacon and to develop other projects as we are able to move out of lockdown and be released from Covid-19 restrictions.

In the Tea Rooms, there is an intention to hold a monthly afternoon question time about life and faith. In Pow Wow Café, the intention is to develop the back room to be more of a Family Room, with people available to signpost or help with any family issues.

The charity also plans to continue the renovation of the cinema building, to re-install the lift into the lift shaft to make the whole building accessible to all as soon as funds become available.

There are also plans to further develop the work with the young people in the town to help give them a purpose and a safe place to visit.

Once the renovation of the cinema is complete, it is aimed to provide more appropriate shows, concerts and even films in the auditorium.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The charity is controlled by its governing documents, its Articles and Memorandum of Association dated 27/04/2009 and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Charity constitution

The Constitution sets out the purpose/charitable objects of Mars Hill Church and governs the appointment of Trustees as well as the proceedings of their meetings.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. The Pastor, who is also a Trustee, is paid by the charity as the founder and leader of the church. The Pastor also claims limited expenses, in order to carry out his pastoral role. These are noted in the accounts.

The Trust seeks to build and maintain a breadth of skills and professional experiences amongst its members. New trustees are recruited mainly by personal approaches after agreement with the full board. It is important for trustees to have an understanding of the spiritual work of the charity, so it is normally necessary for potential trustees to have been involved in some way with the charity before they can be seriously considered as a trustee. It is essential that any new Trustee is able to agree with the Statement of Faith and the Objects of the Charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

In 2020 there were 4 Trustees, including the Pastor, who met regularly to discuss financial matters and to ensure the charity was complying with all legal requirements. They were joined at these meetings by the 2 Elders whose work in leadership overlaps in many areas with that of the Trustees. During those meetings it was unanimously agreed that Elders should be invited to become Trustees also. Many of the meetings were held by Zoom due to Covid-19 restrictions.

The Pastor is one of the five paid staff. He is paid as the Pastor and not as a Trustee.

The other paid staff in 2020 were the two part-time supervisors at the Pow Wow Café Shop which is part of Mars Hill Church and therefore of the charity and the two supervisors of the Tea Rooms. During the various lockdowns, due to Covid-19, we have placed the Pow Wow staff on furlough, claiming 80% of their salary from HMRC but actually paying them full pay, the other 20% coming from charity funds.

Day to day responsibility for operations is delegated to the administrator and her staff, all of whom are volunteers, under the guidance of the Pastor.

There is no formal membership of the charity: numbers attending the church vary but approximately 60 people attend Sunday services regularly.

Decision making

The Board, consisting of four trustees, normally meets bi-monthly to develop the strategic direction and policies for the charity. The Elders join the Trustees at these meetings. The Board makes decisions based on prayerful consideration and consensus, allowing individual views and concerns to be addressed as thoroughly as possible. The Elders make any decisions on spiritual matters. They are also supported by a team of Leaders who meet bi-monthly with the Elders to organise church events and prayerfully consider the practical aspects of strategic planning.

Induction and training of new trustees

New Trustees are provided with the Memorandum and Articles of Government as well as any charity policies.

Wider network

The Charity is an independent body of Christians who having no affiliation to any denomination. The Charity is associated with the Evangelical Alliance (EA).

Related parties

The Pastor, Mr David Longman, is also a serving Trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £30,000 for his position as Pastor. He receives no remuneration for his position as a Trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel arrangements to enable his pastoral work. These are noted within the accounts.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06887961 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1129865

Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered office

The Riviera Cinema
Den Crescent
Teignmouth
Devon
TQ14 8BQ

Trustees

Mr S R Bones		
Mr C J Higham	Elder	Resigned on 18 th January 2021
Mr D J Longman	Church Leader/Pastor	
Dr O Aworinde	Elder	Appointed on 18 th January 2021
Mrs C E Morris	Administrator	

Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc
23 Wellington Street
Teignmouth
Devon
TQ14 8HP

Independent examiner

South Devon Accounting Ltd
6 Orchard Close
Ogwell
Newton Abbot
TQ12 6AL

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 11th June 2021.... and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Mrs C E Morris - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth ('the Company')

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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



Catherine Flannery, FMAAT, FCCA
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Date: 29th April 2021

Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31.12.20 Total funds	31.12.19 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	90,278	-	90,278	101,707
Trading activities	3	142,538	-	142,538	111,258
Investment income	4	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>13</u>
Total		232,819	-	232,819	212,978
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable Activities	5	227,071	-	227,071	199,820
Governance costs		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total		<u>227,071</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>227,071</u>	<u>199,820</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		5,748	-	5,748	(2,612)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		16,088	-	16,088	18,700
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>21,836</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>21,836</u></u>	<u><u>16,088</u></u>

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth

Balance Sheet
At 31 December 2020

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31.12.20 Total funds	31.12.19 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	6,911	-	6,911	9,216
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash in hand		15,251	-	15,251	8,890
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(326)	-	(326)	(2,018)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>21,836</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,836</u>	<u>16,088</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>21,836</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,836</u>	<u>16,088</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>21,836</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,836</u>	<u>16,088</u>
FUNDS	12				
Unrestricted funds				21,836	16,088
Restricted funds				-	-
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>21,836</u>	<u>16,088</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Mars Hill Church, Teignmouth

Balance Sheet - continued

At 31 December 2020

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 11th June 2021.... and were signed on its behalf by:



.....
Mrs C E Morris -Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the economic life of that asset as follows: -

Equipment - 25% Reducing Balance Basis

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

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

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Tithes and Offerings	59,874	85,465
Other Income	990	1,250
Gift Aid	11,742	14,992
Grant Income	<u>17,672</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>90,278</u>	<u>101,707</u>

3. TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Pow Wow Income	34,231	42,548
Tea Room Income	107,647	56,654
Riviera Auditorium Income	<u>660</u>	<u>12,056</u>
	<u>142,538</u>	<u>111,258</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>3</u>	<u>13</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Staff costs	49,154	49,536
Trustees' expenses	1,251	1,379
Repairs and maintenance	393	1,267
Gift and support	3,678	4,568
Rent & Rates	63,377	26,143
Food	2,898	2,072
Supplies for Auditorium Hire	-	2,958
Insurance	2,596	4,096
Utilities & Waste Removal	10,031	16,927
Resources	948	395
Advertising and printing	2,236	1,427
Sundries	270	270
Life Plus Expenses	120	3,439
Training and away days	107	4,120
Pow Wow Expenditure	19,462	28,708
Pensions	1,245	1,068
Stationery and office costs	972	702
Telephone	468	487
Tearoom expenditure	62,801	44,487
Remuneration for Independent Examination work	780	720
Legal and professional fees	1,668	1,589
Bank Charges	312	390
Depreciation	<u>2,304</u>	<u>3,072</u>
	<u>227,071</u>	<u>199,820</u>

The above charitable costs can be summarised as follows:

	£	£
Trading activity costs	101,417	92,731
Other costs	<u>125,654</u>	<u>107,089</u>
	<u>227,071</u>	<u>199,820</u>

6. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	2,304	3,072
Independent examination remuneration	<u>780</u>	<u>720</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £30,000 (2019: £30,000) for his position as Pastor. He receives no remuneration for his position as a trustee. He does receive reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses.

Trustees' expenses

	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	<u>1,251</u>	<u>1,379</u>

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8. STAFF COSTS

	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Wages and salaries	49,154	49,536
Other pension costs	<u>1,245</u>	<u>1,068</u>
	<u>50,399</u>	<u>50,604</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

31.12.20	31.12.19
<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	86,024	15,683	101,707
Other trading activities	111,258	-	111,258
Investment income	<u>13</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13</u>
Total	197,295	15,683	212,978
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	199,820	15,770	215,590
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	199,820	15,770	215,590
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(2,525)	(87)	(2,612)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>18,613</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>18,700</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	16,088	-	16,088

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10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £
COST	
At 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020	<u>44,508</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2020	35,293
Charge for year	<u>2,304</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>37,597</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2019	<u>6,911</u>
At 31 December 2019	<u>9,215</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	(454)	1,298
Accrued expenses	<u>780</u>	<u>720</u>
	<u>326</u>	<u>2,018</u>

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,088	5748	21,836
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>16,088</u>	<u>5,748</u>	<u>21,836</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	232,819	(227,071)	5,748
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>232,819</u>	<u>(227,071)</u>	<u>5,748</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.19 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	18,613	(2,525)	16,088
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	87	(87)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>18,700</u>	<u>(2,612)</u>	<u>16,088</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	197,295	(199,820)	(2,525)
Restricted fund	15,683	(15,770)	(87)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>212,978</u>	<u>(215,590)</u>	<u>(2,612)</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	18,613	3,223	21,836
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	<u>87</u>	<u>(87)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>18,700</u>	<u>3,136</u>	<u>21,836</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	430,114	(411,121)	18,993
Restricted fund			
Restricted fund	<u>15,683</u>	<u>(15,770)</u>	<u>(87)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>445,797</u>	<u>(426,891)</u>	<u>18,906</u>

13. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The amount recognised as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £1,245 (2019: £1,068).

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Mr David Longman is a serving trustee of the charity and receives an annual salary of £30,000 for his position as Pastor. He also receives reimbursement for any necessary travel expenses. These are noted within the accounts.

In addition, the Pastor's wife, Lucy Longman, was appointed in March 2018 as joint supervisor of Pow Wow Café Shop. In 2020 her salary was £9,282 (£9,146 in 2019).

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Tithes and Offerings	59,874	85,465
Other Income	990	1,250
Gift aid	11,742	14,992
Grant Income	<u>17,672</u>	<u>-</u>
	90,278	101,707
Other trading activities		
Pow Wow Income	34,231	42,548
Tea Room Income	107,647	56,654
Riviera Auditorium Income	<u>660</u>	<u>12,056</u>
	142,538	111,258
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	<u>3</u>	<u>13</u>
Total incoming resources	232,819	212,978
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Trustees' expenses	1,251	1,379
Wages	49,154	49,536
Food	2,898	2,072
Repairs and maintenance	393	1,267
Gift and support	3,678	4,568
Rent & Rates	63,377	26,143
Insurance	2,596	4096
Utilities & Waste Removal	10,031	16,927
Resources	948	395
Advertising and printing	2,236	1,427
Supplies for Auditorium hire	-	2,958
Pow Wow Expenditure	19,462	28,708
Pensions	1,245	1,068
Stationery and office costs	972	702
Telephone	468	487
Tea room expenditure	62,801	44,487
Sundries	270	270
Life Plus Expenses	120	3,439
Training and away days	107	4,120
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>2,304</u>	<u>3,072</u>
	224,311	197,121

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
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	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Other costs		
Auditors' remuneration for non-audit work	780	720
Bank charges	312	390
Professional and legal fees	1,668	1,589
Exceptional items	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>2,760</u>	<u>2,699</u>
Total resources expended	227,071	199,820
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Net expenditure	<u><u>5,748</u></u>	<u><u>13,158</u></u>

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