

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

POULTON LANCELYN, BEBINGTON, WIRRAL

ANNUAL REPORT

and

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

of the

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

for the year ended

31st December 2023

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

**ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023**

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**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

#### Aim and purposes

Holy Trinity Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Roger Wiles, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of Poulton Hey ("The Hey"), a grade II listed building adjacent to the church building as well as the vicarage at 6 Chorley Way.

#### Objectives and activities

The PCC is committed to reaching as many people as possible with the gospel message and to become active Christians within our parish community at Holy Trinity. The PCC aims to make our services accessible to the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and the living witness of our members put faith into practice through scripture and prayer, music and sacrament and loving pastoral care.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

Meeting together in mutual encouragement to learn from the gospel and to pray; and developing their knowledge of, and trust in Jesus.

The provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish  
Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of Holy Trinity Church and the Hey.

#### Achievements and Performance

##### Our services and Prayer

The PCC is keen to offer a range of services over the year that our community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. For example our All Age services, which are held once a month, allow younger children and their families to engage in a more outgoing style of service. We also have in place another service at 4.30, aimed at reaching the unchurched in our area. In addition, the main Sunday service is live streamed

Our children and families work continued in the Parish again with lots of materials online and our usual programme of youth and children's work has continued

We encourage all church members to join house groups which operate over term time and provide encouragement and support to their members.

All are welcome to attend our regular services and other activities. At the APCM in 2023 there were 197 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The number at the time of the APCM in 2022 was 195. 2 people joined the church and 3 left 2 deceased and another changed church. The average weekly attendance in 2023 was 130, but this number increased at festivals.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the deceased into God's keeping.

##### Deanery and Diocesan Synods

Three members of the PCC sit on the Deanery Synod. These provide the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

##### The Hey

As a grade II listed building that is used by a wide cross section of the community the maintenance of the Hey is a constant source of concern for the PCC.

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023 (continued)

#### Pastoral care

The church and the Hey are used throughout the week by a large number of groups, several of which are unrelated to the church. Some examples of the groups that use the premises are:

Age Concern operates a chair exercise group each Friday morning.

Holy Trinity Pre-school operates every day during school term times and is run on behalf of the PCC by four staff. At the latest OFSTED inspection the Pre-school was judged to be "good" in all categories.

A range of youth groups for children and young people from the ages of 4 to 11 are run by members of the church under the overall supervision of our Youth and Families' Worker, Anna Leadbetter. These groups meet on a Friday and Sunday evening and are well attended.

The buildings are also used for dancing and exercise classes, various uniformed groups, badminton and indoor bowls.

Some members of the parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. Reverend Roger Wiles or our Associate Minister Paul Lewis has visited all church members who have requested it, either in their homes or at hospital. A rota is maintained of volunteers to visit and care for all who are sick or unable for any other reason to keep in touch with church life.

#### Mission and Evangelism

*Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. During the year the church donated £15,408 to various mission and evangelistic organisations both locally and overseas (£14,305 in 2022).*

Cards are distributed to the parish in the lead up to Christmas and Easter, inviting all parishioners to join us at our services. On other occasions, invitations are sent out to encourage members of the congregation who do not attend regularly to join us for specific services or events.

We have collaborated with other churches in the area via the Wirral Gospel Partnership to organise events which act as an outreach to the community as well as providing encouragement to existing church members. We have worked particularly closely with St Marks, a local church, which we continue to support financially.

#### Ecumenical Relationships

As noted above Holy Trinity had been working with St Mark's, New Ferry and the Wirral Gospel Partnership

#### Financial review

Total receipts of unrestricted funds were £161,743 (£169,242 in 2022). Restricted donations of £342 were also received into the Building Fund for the upkeep of the fabric of the Church and the Hey

£163,253 (£146,378 in 2022) was spent to provide the Christian ministry from Holy Trinity Church including a contribution of £70,732 to the diocesan parish share. This largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy. The amount that each church in the diocese has to contribute is shared between the member churches according to a formula based on the number of clergy based at the church and socio-economic factors.

The net result for the year was a deficit on activities of £1,510 on unrestricted funds (£24,505 surplus in 2022). Adding the assets brought forward at the start of the year (including the vicarage) the balances carried forward at 31st December on unrestricted funds totalled £212,120. (£213,631 in 2022).

The financial performance of the Holy Trinity Pre-school is reported separately in the financial statements, showing a deficit during the year of £4,676 (deficit in 2022 was £2,181).

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023 (continued)

#### Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), which equates to at least two months unrestricted payments, equivalent to £27,150 to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of £212,120 held on unrestricted funds is more than sufficient to meet this target.

The balance of £4,317 in restricted funds is retained towards the cost of repair of the church  
It is the policy of the PCC to invest surplus fund balances in deposit accounts as appropriate.

#### Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. In particular we want to mention our churchwardens Caroline Rowland and Jason Potter who have worked tirelessly on our behalf and all the other members of the PCC for their valuable contribution to our ministry and for keeping the church running.

#### Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At Holy Trinity the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, the Associate Minister, churchwardens and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church and the treasurer and secretary, who are co-opted onto the PCC. All those who are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the electoral roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The full PCC met eight times during the year with an average attendance of 84%. Given its wide responsibilities the PCC has a number of committees each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life. These committees which include finance, fabric, mission, evangelism HR and services, are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it regularly with minutes of their meetings being received by the full PCC and discussed as necessary.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and is registered with the Charity Commission, registered number 1133047.

The PCC members who have served from 1st January 2023 until the date this report was approved are:

#### Ex officio members

Incumbent	The Reverend Roger Wiles	Chairman
Associate Minister	Paul Lewis	
Wardens	Caroline Roland	Until 28th April 2024
	Jason Potter	
	David Howcroft	From 28th April 2024
Co-opted	Chris Walsh	Treasurer
	Alan McGraa	Secretary and Representative on Diocesan Synod
Elected	Susan Blevin	
	Paul Lewis	
	Chris Ryan	From 30 April 2023
	Ian Buddle	
	Ian Fair	
	Lukas Hank	Representative on Deanery Synod
	Geoff Lawrence	Until 30 June 2024 and Representative on Deanery Synod
	Claire Dobson	
	Owen Leadbetter	
	Anna Leadbetter	
	Linda Hughes	Representative on Diocesan Synod
	Alan McGraa	Representative on Deanery Synod
	Sarah Caines	Until 30 April 2023
	Robert Caldwell	From 28 April 2024

Approved by the PCC on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Roger Wiles (PCC chairman).



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Restricted (Pre-school) £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>						
Voluntary Income (direct giving)	2a	140,690	342	-	141,032	149,115
Other voluntary income	2b	-	-	-	-	11,384
Gross income from Events & Activities	2c	11,081	-	37,692	48,773	45,948
Other ordinary income	2d	321	-	-	321	1,037
Other designated income	2e	8,471	-	-	8,471	8,563
Income from interest/investments	2f	1,180	-	28	1,208	360
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>161,743</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>37,720</b>	<b>199,805</b>	<b>216,407</b>
<b>RESOURCES USED</b>						
Grants	3a	15,288	-	120	15,408	14,305
Support costs	3b	1,241	-	-	1,241	867
Directly related to the work of the Church	3c	105,442	-	-	105,442	92,946
Church management & administration	3d	30,244	10,036	42,276	82,556	80,549
Other designated expenditure	3e	11,038	-	-	11,038	5,656
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES USED</b>		<b>163,253</b>	<b>10,036</b>	<b>42,396</b>	<b>215,685</b>	<b>194,323</b>
<b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES</b>		<b>(1,510)</b>	<b>(9,694)</b>	<b>(4,676)</b>	<b>(15,880)</b>	<b>22,084</b>
<b>FUND TRANSFERS</b>						
<b>Brought forward 1 January 2023</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>213,630</b>	<b>14,011</b>	<b>26,751</b>	<b>254,392</b>	<b>232,308</b>
<b>CARRIED FORWARD 31 DEC 2023</b>		<b>212,120</b>	<b>4,317</b>	<b>22,075</b>	<b>238,512</b>	<b>254,392</b>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	5	120,000	120,000
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	7	19,894	894
Short term deposits		26,667	25,871
Cash at bank & in hand		80,614	115,023
		<u>127,175</u>	<u>141,788</u>
CREDITORS :Amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>8,663</u>	<u>7,396</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		118,512	134,392
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		238,512	254,392
NET ASSETS		<u>238,512</u>	<u>254,392</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted	6	212,120	213,630
Restricted	6	4,317	14,011
Pre-school	6	<u>22,075</u>	<u>26,751</u>
		<u>238,512</u>	<u>254,392</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on <sup>nd</sup>22 October 2024 and signed on its behalf by




Chairman

Member

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements



## ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP ("Statement of Recommended Practice" Accounting for Charities).

### Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the PCC.

Restricted funds represent a separate fund for church maintenance and pre-school activities.

### Incoming Resources

#### Voluntary Income

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned Giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when claimed.

Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is received

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

#### Income from investments

Interest entitlements are accounted for as they are received. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

### Resources used

#### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

#### Activities directly relating to the work of the church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

### Fixed assets

No depreciation is provided on freehold buildings. The PCC follows a programme of regular review of its properties in order to maintain them to a high standard. Accordingly, in the opinion of the council, any element of depreciation would be immaterial.

All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings, individual items under £1,000 or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1 January 2006 is written off.

### Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Short term deposits include cash held on deposit either with CCLA Investment Management Funds or at the bank.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended 31 December 2023

ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT)

2) INCOMING RESOURCES

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Restricted (Pre-school) £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
a)						
Voluntary Income (direct giving)						
Planned Giving						
Gift Aid/G.A.Y.E.		90,185	342	-	90,527	108,234
Income Tax reclaimed		26,166	-	-	26,166	17,631
Uncovenanted		9,073	-	-	9,073	10,343
Collections		9,381	-	-	9,381	1,151
Sundry Gifts		5,885	-	-	5,885	11,756
		<u>140,690</u>	<u>342</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>141,032</u>	<u>149,115</u>
b)						
Other voluntary income						
Donations		-	-	-	-	1,384
Transfers		-	-	-	-	-
Charitable trusts		-	-	-	-	10,000
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,384</u>
c)						
Gross Income from Events & Activities						
Bookstall		-	-	-	-	822
Fees (PCC)		951	-	-	951	-
Fees & Vouchers (Playgroup)		-	-	18,260	18,260	34,513
Fundind LED		-	-	18,388	18,388	-
Fundraising (Playgroup)		-	-	33	33	38
Insurance/gifts		-	-	-	-	384
Donations		-	-	240	240	-
Rent of Buildings		9,959	-	-	9,959	10,152
Milk		-	-	771	771	-
Written back cheque PreSchool		-	-	-	-	75
Percussion concert		171	-	-	171	-
		<u>11,081</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,692</u>	<u>48,773</u>	<u>45,984</u>
d)						
Other ordinary income						
Designated	10a	321	-	-	321	1,037
		<u>321</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>321</u>	<u>1,037</u>
e)						
Other designated income						
Designated	11	8,471	-	-	8,471	8,563
		<u>8,471</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,471</u>	<u>8,563</u>
f)						
Income from Investments						
Bank Account Interest		1,180	-	28	1,208	360
		<u>1,180</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>1,208</u>	<u>360</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>161,743</u>	<u>342</u>	<u>37,720</u>	<u>199,805</u>	<u>216,407</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended 31 December 2023

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Restricted (Pre-school) £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
3)	RESOURCES USED					
a)	Grants					
	Missionary societies	8,832	-	-	8,832	8,900
	Home missions & other Church Societies	6,456	-	-	6,456	5,405
	Clare House (childrens' hospice)			120	120	
		<u>15,288</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>15,408</u>	<u>14,305</u>
b)	Support costs					
	Youth groups	360	-	-	360	626
	Other groups	881	-	-	881	241
		<u>1,241</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,241</u>	<u>867</u>
c)	Directly related to the work of the Church					
	Ministry - Parish Share & Stipend	70,732	-	-	70,732	68,446
	Clergy expenses	3,179	-	-	3,179	2,558
	Clergy conferences	363	-	-	363	-
	Vicarage repairs & costs	6,319	-	-	6,319	2,501
	Church running expenses	15,914	-	-	15,914	11,972
	Church maintenance	7,150	-	-	7,150	5,789
	Church Grounds maintenance	1,785	-	-	1,785	1,680
		<u>105,442</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105,442</u>	<u>92,946</u>
d)	Church management & administration					
	Bank charges & Independent Examination	733	35	68	836	761
	Gross Wages	22,536	10,001	38,042	70,579	67,273
	Nat.Insce - ER's	-	-	-	-	139
	Pension	-	-	94	94	519
	Office Equipment, Furniture & Fittings	1,192	-	-	1,192	2,421
	Literature	1,391	-	-	1,391	1,549
	Fees	787	-	-	787	1,104
	Photocopier	907	-	-	907	651
	Phone/Stationery/Postage	2,133	-	-	2,133	1,882
	Playgroup fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	38
	Preschool running costs	-	-	3,775	3,775	3,991
	Staff training	494	-	297	791	197
	Staff expenses	71	-	-	71	24
		<u>30,244</u>	<u>10,036</u>	<u>42,276</u>	<u>82,556</u>	<u>80,549</u>
e)	Other expenditure					
	Ordinary	10b	575	-	575	-
	Designated	11	10,463	-	10,463	5,656
			<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
			<u>11,038</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,038</u>	<u>5,656</u>
	TOTAL RESOURCES USED		<u>163,253</u>	<u>10,036</u>	<u>215,685</u>	<u>194,323</u>

4) STAFF COSTS

No remuneration was paid to members of the council in their role as Trustees. The following sums were paid or reimbursed to members of the council:-

Reverend R Wiles (clergy expenses)	2,862				
Anna Leadbetter (salary as Family and Childrens' worker)	13,390				
	<u>16,252</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,252</u>	<u>2,558</u>

During the year the PCC employed 1 Family and Childrens' Worker, administrator, Pastoral Worker and 2 part time cleaners. The Pre-school employed one supervisor and four assistants. No employee received remuneration in excess of £50,000.

Salaries	22,536	10,001	38,042	70,579	67,273
Nat.Insce - ER's	-	-	-	-	139
Pension	-	-	94	94	553
	<u>22,536</u>	<u>10,001</u>	<u>38,136</u>	<u>70,673</u>	<u>67,965</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended 31 December 2023

5) FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC

Freehold land & building at 6 Chorley Way, Poulton Lancelyn, Bebington, Wirral Purchase cost value of £120,000. The property was mortgaged for £130,000 during 2002, and was then valued by Allchurches Mortgage company at £160,000.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Restricted (Pre-school) £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
6) ANALYSIS OF ASSETS BY FUND					
Fixed Assets	120,000	-	-	120,000	120,000
Current Assets	96,593	4,317	26,265	127,175	141,789
Current Liabilities	(4,473)	-	(4,190)	(8,663)	(7,396)
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance	<u>212,120</u>	<u>4,317</u>	<u>22,075</u>	<u>238,512</u>	<u>254,393</u>
7) DEBTORS					
Payments in advance	-	-	-	-	894
Refund of Gift Aid & Tax	<u>19,894</u>	-	-	<u>19,894</u>	-
	<u>19,894</u>	-	-	<u>19,894</u>	<u>894</u>
8) CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	-	-	-	-	1,156
Deferred Income/Receipts in advance	-	-	-	-	904
H M Revenue & Customs	-	-	4,190	4,190	904
Accruals for goods & services	<u>4,473</u>	-	-	<u>4,473</u>	<u>5,336</u>
	<u>4,473</u>	-	4,190	<u>8,663</u>	<u>7,396</u>
9) FUND DETAILS					

The unrestricted funds comprise the Holy Trinity No.1 and Savings Accounts and Events Account and No 1 and No 2 Deposit Accounts with CCLA Investment Management Limited

The restricted funds comprise the Holy Trinity Building Fund.

10a) OTHER ORDINARY INCOME

Home Group contributions to study books	140			140	
Cancelled Cheque	85			85	
Photocopying	86			86	
Reimbursement Salary	<u>10</u>	-	-	<u>10</u>	-
	<u>321</u>	-	-	<u>321</u>	<u>1,071</u>

10b) OTHER ORDINARY EXPENDITURE

Deanary	40				
Concert	169				
Churchweekend (non designated expenditure	118				
Miscellaneous	<u>248</u>				
	<u>575</u>	-	-	<u>575</u>	-

## 11) OTHER DESIGNATED INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE

	2023 Income £	2023 Expend. £	2022 Income £	2022 Expend. £
Discretionary Fund	-	695	-	-
library	-	-	-	130
Ukraine	1,172	3,689	2,620	1,025
Families Worker	3,680	-	-	-
Stakeholder Pensions	-	-	-	-
Contribution Wages	340	-	34	591
CPAS	-	37	-	240
Pension	94	129	-	-
Maundy Thursday Supper	-	161	-	-
Vision/4.30 Service	1,352	43	-	192
Churchweekendf	132	132	393	257
Holiday Club/Rainbow Party	335	697	-	628
foodbank	-	-	-	65
Gafcon	-	228	-	-
NWP fees	-	500	-	250
Anna Training	1,000	4,050	5,000	1,960
Livewires	75	-	-	-
Toddler	291	102	516	328
	<u>8,471</u>	<u>10,463</u>	<u>8,563</u>	<u>5,656</u>

## 12) COMMITMENTS

Included in the Church's current assets is unspent funding for the following projects:-

- a) Discretionary Fund
- b) Building projects
- c) Youth and Family worker's salaries
- d) Funds donated to support the churches "vision" for helping to church the unchurched.
- e) Funds donated for Ukraine
- f) Toddler Group
- g) Contribution to wages
- h) CPAS



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

#### Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Holy Trinity Church

#### On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2023

Charity no  
(if any) 1133047

#### Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2023.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

#### Independent examiner's statement

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

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

I have 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.

Signed:

*M. Forshaw*

Date:

29 / 10 / 2024

Name:

Michael John Forshaw

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**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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