	Trustees' Annual Report for the period
	From (start date) 01/01/2023 to (end date) 31/12/2023
	Charity Name: LEIGH PARK BAPTIST CHURCH Charity Number: 1134869

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES		
	<i>SORP reference</i>	<i>SORP - Statement of Recommended practice</i>
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The principal purpose of Leigh Park Baptist Church is the advancement of the Christian Faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and / or other parts of the World
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The activities of Leigh Park Baptist Church include, but are not restricted to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular public worship, prayer, bible study, preaching and teaching. • Baptism, as defined in the Baptist Union's Declaration of Principle • Communion of the Lord's supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month • Evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have reviewed the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in regard to our desire to benefit our community in 2023.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPTIONAL)		
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:		
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	N/A
ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE		
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole	Para 1.20	<p>Throughout 2023 we have continued to be actively engaging with our community through weekly opportunities to engage and worship as a gathered community. We have had additional weekly meetings for discussion of the Christian faith, where people have grown in deeper relationships and in their faith.</p> <p>We held monthly prayer meetings throughout the year and continued our book group, starting a second season in September. This provided a platform for reading outside of comfort zones and discussing faith and debating different opinions brought out by the books.</p> <p>We also provide a thriving and supportive environment for young families, where babies toddlers and carers can socialize with other families.</p> <p>We have also organized various groups for secondary school children, including a Friday social group with games and crafts. Additionally, we have continued to see growth in our well-being space where the young people can chat and engage in crafts in a calm environment, while considering their wellbeing.</p> <p>We hosted Christmas and Easter services, which were well-received by the local community. For Easter we hosted a fish and chip supper where the church community and wider community joined together to share together. At Christmas, during our carols service a group signed one of the carols with the hope of more to come.</p> <p>This year we hosted two community fun days, there were events where everyone was welcome to come in both the summer and at Christmas to have some fun. Over 500 people attend both of these events.</p> <p>During the spring we had the joy of a wedding and renewal of vows. In the Autumn we saw the baptism of a member within our community.</p> <p>July saw the first creative retreat day with guest hosts, who helped to guide participants to share in a time to concentrate on their faith and the next steps for them.</p>

		<p>In The Autumn we ran a Kintsugi Hope wellbeing group, over the course of this group relationships were strengthened and everyone was able to consider and discuss different aspects of their wellbeing. A number felt this group helped them to feel more connected to the church community and their understanding of God.</p> <p>Also in the autumn, we hosted a quiz night and began monthly games sessions for families which engaged people from the wider community.</p>
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPTIONAL) You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:		
Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performances against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
FINANCIAL REVIEW		
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The finances of Leigh Park Baptist Church during 2023 show that a deficit was incurred for the year, primarily as a result of remedial works that were required to the buildings electrical system. This work was completed on time and on budget but resulted in lower reserves being held. However, the reserves were sufficient to meet our policy holding requirement and both income and costs have been addressed by Trustees during 2024 to ensure that this position is maintained.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>Although the Charity has no restricted funds and all funds are therefore available to be used, the Trustees consider it prudent to retain a surplus sufficient to meet 3 months of outgoings. As noted above, this surplus was maintained throughout 2023.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Reserves sufficient to meet 3 months of outgoings
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<p>There are no funds or subsidiary undertakings that are materially in deficit.</p>

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no uncertainties that would give rise to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPTIONAL) You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:		
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	N/A
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/A
STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT		
<i>Description of Charity's trusts:</i>	<i>SORP reference</i>	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Unincorporated Association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Elected by members of Leigh Park Baptist Church
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPTIONAL) You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:		
Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	N/A
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/A
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS	
Charity details	Leigh Park Baptist Church
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1134868
Charity's principal address	Stockheath Road, Havant, Hampshire PO9 5NT

Names of the Charity trustees who manage the charity				
	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev Kathryn Orr	Minister		Church membership
2	Samuel Sweetman	Administrator		Church membership
3	Ian Burroughs	Treasurer		Church membership
4	Daniel Macpherson			Church membership
5	Ann Parker			Church membership
6	Tim Philpot			Church membership
6	Catherine Sweatman		22 Jan 23 onwards	Church membership

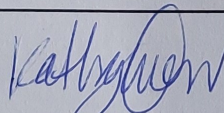
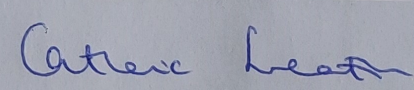
Names of Trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity		
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others	
Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf	N/A

the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPTIONAL)		
Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)		
Type of Adviser	Name	Address
N/A		
Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)		
N/A		

Exemption from disclosure
Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details
None
Other optional information
N/A

DECLARATIONS		
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above		
Signed on behalf of the Charity trustees		
Signature(s)		
Full Name(s)	Kathryn Orr	Catherine Sweatman
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair etc)	Minister	Trustee
Date	23 /10/24	24 /10/24



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Leigh Park Baptist Church

1134869

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
General Giving	33,507	-	-	33,507	58,850
Gift Aid Donation Tax Return	6,024	-	-	6,024	9,519
Investment Interest	303	-	-	303	11
Rental Income	8,412	-	-	8,412	6,951
Employee Utilities Reimbursement	-	-	-	-	-
BU Loan Draw	-	-	-	-	25,001
Electricity Refund	-	-	-	-	1,689
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	48,246	-	-	48,246	102,021
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	48,246	-	-	48,246	102,021
A3 Payments					
Employers Cost	20,071	-	-	20,071	20,774
Church Running Costs	25,755	-	-	25,755	20,454
Employee Accommodation Costs	2,959	-	-	2,959	3,352
Church Maintenance	11,888	-	-	11,888	58,396
Community Outreach	3,571	-	-	3,571	1,876
Baptist Union Home Mission	-	-	-	-	255
Conferences, training and resources	363	-	-	363	1,073
Children, Youth and families	975	-	-	975	1,531
BU Loan Repayment	3,434	-	-	3,434	305
Sub total	69,016	-	-	69,016	108,016
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	69,016	-	-	69,016	108,016
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 20,770	-	-	- 20,770	- 5,995
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	34,592	-	-	34,592	36,195
Cash funds this year end	13,822	-	-	13,822	34,592

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Bank Account	1,765	-	
	Reserve Bank Account	12,058	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	13,823	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	LPBC Church Building held in trust by Baptist Union of Great Britain		-	1,355,000
	Church Manse		-	170,000
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Baptist Corp Loan		23,409	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Leigh Park Baptist Church

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1134869

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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:

Date:

21 Oct 24

Name:

CHRISTOPHER TUNNICLIFFE

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