



**Trustees Annual Report for the Period
1st April 2020/ 31st March 2021**

Charity Number 1137479

Principle Address:

Liverpool One Church
144 Richmond Row,
Liverpool
L3 3BL

Contact contact@liverpoolonechurch.com

Trustees:

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David Stitcher (Treasurer)
Wayne Palmer
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Governance

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- ✦ Small Group attendance to develop strong interpersonal relationships within the church
- ✦ Volunteer participation in one of the many teams which, support the advancement of the church
- ✦ Age specific activities to encourage growth in the young person's aspects of the church

Achievements Financial Year 2020/21

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To accomplish this, we have invested tens of thousands of pounds into a professional level broadcasting suite and learned the necessary skills to utilise the necessary equipment.
- ✦ When we have been able to meet in person, physical attendance has been restricted by government restrictions such as social distancing and mask wearing and by those who have been reluctant to mix in large groups.
- ✦ We have also had to adapt our other activities with Life Groups, Young People and children's ministries being held on Zoom.
- ✦ The activities related to women's ministry have also been held on Zoom.

- ✦ The church has continued to support several community-based projects with financial giving being provided in the form of support to those providing thousands of meals to those in need in our city.
- ✦ The church building acquired in FY 16/17 has been further developed to accommodate growth in a multi-use environment. Building enhancements and technology upgrades are continuous to facilitate this use and we now have our own broadcasting suite.
- ✦ We would repeat the statements made in last year's report regarding COVID-19 and the effect it has had on our church and community.
 Firstly, we want to express sympathy to those in our church and wider community who have lost loved ones to COVID-19. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
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Financial Review

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 - The Board encourages an appropriate use of a reserves policy to enable future growth (most likely in increased premises.) This policy has been successfully evidenced in the ability to purchase Richmond Row in FY 16/17. Reserves from previous giving were used to enable rapid and favourable purchase terms. □ It is envisaged that with current growth and future projections further facilities development will be required in the next 2-5 years.

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- ✦ Review of FY20/21
 - Income for the financial year reduced(2%) in real terms to £313,670 when compared to the previous financial year. The like for like comparison of regular giving continues to show consistent growth in giving which is our sole source of operating revenues. □ The expenditure in FY20/21 facilitated a larger surplus than in previous years which has been used to establish a broadcasting suite of professional standard. □ Key areas of expenditure are in balance against income and in line with the charity's stated objectives except for Charitable Giving and Youth and Kids which were lower than planned and mortgage payments which appear higher due to our lower overall expenditure:

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Statutory Provisions

- ✦ Given the nature of the church's activities with children and young adults, ongoing annual Safe Guarding training is provided to all key personal and volunteers and also use of DBS checks is mandated for people involved for key people serving in these areas.
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- ✦ With the introduction of the GDPR regulations in May 2018 the church took proactive steps to ensure compliance with these data protections measures.

Statutory Declarations

It is confirmed that by the Trustees that there have been no serious incidents during the financial year. Therefore, there are no incidents that should have been reported to the Commission but were not.

Thanks

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Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signed:

Luke Bryant (Chair of Trustees and Senior Pastor)

Date:

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Ministry & Pastoral costs	12,338
Miscellaneous	5,185
Young Adults ministry	1,257
Kids ministry	2,020
Utilities	14,433
Accountancy fees	1127
Levy/Network	1092
Operating costs	37,082

Surplus 156,413

Building	18,335
Total Expenditure	157,257

LOC Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet

31/03/2021

Building at cost	350,000
Refurbishment	456,410
Investment in Trading co	40,640
Fixed assets	147,082
Debtors	0
Bank Account	75,660
Total assets	1,069,792

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Liverpool One Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1137479

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**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2021.

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**

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

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:

24/02/2022

Name:

Joanne Stanhope

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body**

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

(if any):

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Address:

1 Pye Road, Heswall, Wirral, CH60 0DB

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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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