

HOPE CORNER
(a company limited by guarantee)

OPERATING AS

HOPE CORNER CHURCH
HOPE CORNER SCHOOL

**ANNUAL REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR

THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024

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INTRODUCTION

The trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of Hope Corner for the year ended March 31 2024 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019), referred to as the Charities SORP (FRS 102) (second edition – October 2019).

OUR PURPOSES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects

The objects of the charity are for the benefit of the public particularly in the areas of Christian life and general Education. Specifically, this includes;

- Advancing the Christian Faith in accordance with the Statement of faith of the Assemblies of God
- The relief of sickness and hardship and promotion of good health.
- Advancing education particularly supporting those with special needs.

We use the resources available to the charity for the good of people regardless of their age, background, race, religion or gender.

Our Devotion Together in the Christian faith, inspires us to support the relevant needs of those accessing Hope Corner and those of the wider community.

We support and encourage both directly and indirectly practitioners helping the wider community both in Britain and overseas particularly in the areas of Church development, education and the relief of poverty.

The Trustees oversee a wide range of activities directed to fulfilling these objects. Hope Corner Church promotes all three of the charity's objects across a range of activities. Hope Corner School is focused exclusively on the advancement of education. The charity principally operates from its purpose-built freehold premises in Clifton Road, Runcorn.

The charity does not generally charge its beneficiaries for the services they receive and therefore the Trustees are confident that the charity is able to demonstrate its adherence to the Charity Commission's guidance, with regard to public benefit.

Together with the provision of inspiring Church services, we run a special educational needs school, children's work, youth work, financial management training, oversees support to Uganda and India. The Charity aims to provide programmes emphasising a holistic provision for beneficiaries that fosters; Spiritual, Physical, Mental and Social wellbeing.

We have been awarded national recognition for our work.

OUR CHARTER

We provide an inclusive service to our community by:

- 1) Serving and respecting all people regardless of their gender, marital status, race, ethnic origin, religion, age, sexual orientation or physical and mental capability.
- 2) Acknowledging the freedom of people of all faiths or none both to hold and to express their beliefs and convictions respectfully and freely, within the limits of the UK law.
- 3) Never imposing our Christian faith or belief on others but allowing them to view and inquire about what it means to be in relationship to Christ Jesus.
- 4) Developing partnerships with other churches, voluntary groups, statutory agencies and local government wherever appropriate in order to create an effective, integrated service for our clients avoiding unnecessary duplication of resources.
- 5) Providing and publicising regular consultation and reporting forums to client groups and the wider community regarding the effective development and delivery of our work and our responsiveness to their actual needs.

**HOPE CORNER
ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024**

ACTIVITIES

We value all individuals in a way that is consistent with our distinctive Christian ethos by:

- 1) Creating an environment where clients, volunteers and employees are encouraged and enabled to realise their potential.
- 2) Assisting our clients, volunteers, and employees to take responsibility for their own learning and development, both through formal and informal training opportunities and ongoing assessment.
- 3) Developing an organisational culture in which individuals learn from any mistakes made and where excellence and innovation are encouraged and rewarded.
- 4) Promoting the value of a balanced, holistic lifestyle as part of everyone's overall personal development.
- 5) Abiding by the requirements of employment law in the UK and implementing best employment practices and procedures designed to maintain our distinctive ethos and values.

We continually strive to develop a professional approach to management, practice, and funding by:

- 1) Implementing a management structure, which fosters and encourages participation by staff at all levels to facilitate the fulfilment of the project's goals and visions.
- 2) Setting and reviewing measurable and timed outcomes annually and regularly to evaluate and monitor our management structure and output, recognising the need for ongoing organisational flexibility, development and good stewardship of resources.
- 3) Doing all we can to ensure that we are not over-dependent on any one source of funding.
- 4) Implementing best practice procedures in terms of Health and Safety and Safeguarding to protect our staff, volunteers and clients.
- 5) Handling our funding in a transparent and accountable way and to give relevant people from outside our organisation reasonable access to our accounts.

Psalm 60 verse 12 in the Bible says *'With God's help, we will do great things'*. This perfectly describes our experience here at Hope Corner over the last year.

The church, the school, and our other projects, are grateful for the continued devotion of our staff and volunteers as well as the sustaining power of our Lord and Saviour.

We have faced the same challenges as most small charities trying to accomplish extraordinary things with the resources available, yet in these circumstances our 'edge' has been the amazing grace of God.

Hope Corner Church Services

All our regular church activities continue to be well attended with a rich variety of age groups, families, and cultural back grounds. The spiritual, mental, and physical value of our meetings cannot be overstated! Because we have developed worship in a vibrant and relevant way, people make the effort to 'come to church', which is a refreshing change these days. Church is relevant and exciting, meeting the needs that many face. Our people are passionate about our mission with many committing to regular financial support to the projects Hope Corner has initiated in the community. People do this freely as an expression of their faith in God and the aims of the charity.

Hope Corner School.

Our special education needs school continues to do outstanding work with very vulnerable young people. Following the latest OFSTED visit, the school received a very positive result. The staff have been working hard to build upon this report by continually moving forward with innovative plans. Our students receive exceptional personal support which includes rigorous safeguarding.

Matthew Finch remained as acting Head teacher until the end of December and along with the staff have done an outstanding job. A new Head Teacher was appointed in January who is beginning to plan for the future. Since the year end we have also been working with new local authorities in order to reach more students in need.

It is wonderful to see our students go on to higher education and become positively engaged with their Community. The transformation from when they first arrived is incredible.

We are extremely appreciative of our highly skilled staff, governors and those who support them from the church.

Youth and Children's work

Hope Corner is one of the few churches in the area providing regular youth and children's activities. We feel privileged to have a wonderful team who volunteer an incredible amount of time and energy to young people in the Runcorn area. The variety of activities on offer are well organised and perfectly suited to the relevant agegroup. .

Oversees Support and Development.

We continue to support Church Charities in India and Uganda.

We have been privileged to help pay for vital support in these circumstances and contribute to the training of new leaders. Things are now starting to look more positive but much more still needs to be done. By the grace of God we will do our best.

Personal Note

Our Chair writes "I want to offer my personal thanks to our Church Oversight (Elders and Trustees) and our Business Manager who has supported me tirelessly in guiding this charity over the last year. Their wisdom and spiritual insight is outstanding. Most of all I give thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ who makes 'all things possible'. After all, Hope Corner is HIS Work.

**HOPE CORNER
ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024
Financial Review**

For any charity of our size, this is an area that always brings great challenges. We are grateful for the way all the community family of Hope Corner give sacrificially on a regular basis. Besides those fees paid to our school, the giving of God's people is the backbone of our financial base.

We have taken the decision to sell our Church Street premises which will permit us to repay a sizeable proportion of our loan and reduce monthly outgoings. As a Charity, we are defiantly advancing in the area of finance.

Risk management summary

We acknowledge the following risks that Hope Corner faces.

- Building a sufficient level of reserves so as to be able to act strategically. Throughout 2023/2024 and beyond we have continued to improve our financial systems.

Principal funding sources and going concern.

The charity presently relies on two major funding sources.

- The church membership for their voluntary income
- Local authority income to support the Hope Corner School – this is earned income c

Reserves

Our free reserves (unrestricted funds not invested in fixed assets, otherwise designated or required to meet secured loans due in more than one year) stood at £112k at the year end. We are in the process of determining what the target level should be for free reserves going forward, but we remain strongly committed to ensuring that we are able to meet our loan repayments as they fall due and to have sufficient funds available to maintain our buildings to an appropriate standard, as we continue to work for the Kingdom of God.

FUTURE PLANS

We are heavily investing in staff and volunteer training in order to develop their skills as well as reaching all required profession standards.

We are making sure that potential leaders are ready to take on the challenges of leading this charity into future years.

We are pleased to have young people who are ready to take on various role to fulfil our vision.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated September 20, 2010. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

Members of the company

The initial members of the company were the five subscribers to the Memorandum. Four of these five remain in membership. There are various qualification requirements to be met before any person is admitted to membership. Furthermore, the constitution grants the Senior Minister and the majority of existing members with discretion as to whether or not to nominate persons for membership. Provided qualification requirements are met and both the Senior Minister and the majority of existing members have invited candidate members to join the company, the directors (Trustees) have no discretion to refuse admittance to membership.

Members may resign or may be removed by an Ordinary resolution of all members.

There are currently 50 members of the company.

£1 in the event of the charity being wound up.

Appointment of Directors and Trustees

The directors of the company (who are Trustees of the Charity) are appointed as follows

- (a) on the nomination of the Senior Minister, or
- (b) By the members in General Meeting

Directors appointed under (a) above do not retire by rotation

Directors appointed under (b) only serve until the following annual general meeting

The minimum number of directors is three and there is presently no maximum number.

**HOPE CORNER
ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024
Trustee recruitment, induction and training**

There has only been one Trustee appointed following the initial appointments on incorporation. The Senior Minister consults with the broader membership when considering nominations to the Board.

It is the intention to recruit additional Trustees in the next three years. Suitable induction and training will be devised for such recruits.

Related parties and management of conflict of interest

The Trustees are aware of the Charity Commission guidance relating to management of conflict of interest issues.

As disclosed in the notes to the accounts there are a number of related party transactions in connection with the Senior Minister. The charity has established policies to manage conflict of interest issues and these are reviewed periodically.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees (who are also directors of the Charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102) (second edition – October 2019);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS AND APPROVAL

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Mark Finch
Chair of Trustees



Date: 19th December 2024

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF HOPE CORNER
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended March 31 2024 which are set out on pages 8 to 19.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity 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 company'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

Since the company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of *Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales* (ICAEW) which is one of the listed bodies.

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 that in any material respect:

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.

For and on behalf of:
HGA Accountants & Financial Consultants Ltd t/a Chittenden Horley
Chartered Accountants

Hyde Park House, Cartwright Street, SK14 4EH

Date:



HOPE CORNER
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (including the income and expenditure account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
INCOME					
Donations	2	67,246	1,308	68,554	74,885
Charitable activities	3	162,569	-	162,569	140,513
Other trading income	4	14,825	-	14,825	9,218
Other income - surplus on disposal pf property		-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME		<u>244,640</u>	<u>1,308</u>	<u>245,948</u>	<u>224,616</u>
EXPENDITURE					
Costs of raising funds	5	8,632	-	8,632	6,573
Expenditure on charitable activities	6	254,465	1,308	255,773	250,676
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>263,097</u>	<u>1,308</u>	<u>264,405</u>	<u>257,249</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)					
BEFORE TRANSFERS		(18,457)	-	(18,457)	(32,633)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains		-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>(18,457)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(18,457)</u>	<u>(32,633)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWA	14	<u>600,236</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600,236</u>	<u>632,869</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWAR	14	<u><u>581,779</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>581,779</u></u>	<u><u>600,236</u></u>

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

HOPE CORNER
BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	10		876,213		900,104
CURRENT ASSETS					
Assets held for resale	11	146,362		146,362	
Debtors	11	2,531		1,535	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		<u>8,280</u>		<u>21,083</u>	
		157,173		168,980	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due in one year	12	<u>45,422</u>		<u>36,426</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
			<u>111,751</u>		<u>132,554</u>
			987,964		1,032,658
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due in more than one year	13		<u>406,185</u>		<u>432,422</u>
NET ASSETS					
			<u>581,779</u>		<u>600,236</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted					
General fund	14	515,240		533,697	
Revaluation reserve		<u>66,539</u>		<u>66,539</u>	
			581,779		600,236
Restricted	14		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>581,779</u>		<u>600,236</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

For the year ending March 31 2024, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and no notice has been deposited under section 476 requiring the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question.

Directors' responsibilities

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 19th December 2024

And signed on their behalf by:



Mark Finch - Director

Company registration number 7386305

HOPE CORNER
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024

HOPE CORNER
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024

	notes	2024 £	2023 £
Cash used in operating activities	16	<u>10,567</u>	<u>(5,233)</u>
Cashflows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		<u>(606)</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		<u>(606)</u>	<u>-</u>
Cashflows from financing activities			
Proceeds from new borrowings - secured loan		-	-
Repayment of borrowing - finance lease		-	-
Repayment of borrowing - mortgage creditor		(22,764)	(13,537)
Repayments of borrowing - unsecured loans		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash used in financing activities		<u>(22,764)</u>	<u>(13,537)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash & cash equivalents in the year		(12,803)	(18,770)
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward		21,083	39,853
Cash and cash equivalents carried forward		<u>8,280</u>	<u>21,083</u>
Cash and cash equivalents consist of:			
Cash at bank and in hand		8,280	21,083
		<u>8,280</u>	<u>21,083</u>

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared: under the historic cost convention; in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) effective January 1 2019 (second edition – October 2019); FRS102; and the Companies Act 2006. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The accounts are prepared in £ sterling, which is the functional currency.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The principal accounting estimate that affects these accounts relates to:

The estimated useful lives of fixed assets

Income recognition

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. The following applies to particular types of income:

Grants, whether of a capital or revenue nature, are recognised when the Charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions have been met and it is probable that the income will be received.

Donations from individuals and other bodies (not being of the nature of a grant) are recognised when receivable. Where a donation is contingent upon the performance by the charity of a significant obligation the donation is not recognised until the obligation has been performed.

Donated facilities are recognised on receipt at the value that the charity would be willing to pay to obtain facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market, a corresponding amount is then recognised as expenditure in the period of the receipt.

Earned income is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for services and goods supplied, net of discounts.

Deferred income

Income is only deferred and included in creditors when:

- The income relates to a future accounting period
- A sales invoice has been raised ahead of the work being carried out and there is no contractual entitlement to the income until the work has been done
- Not all the terms and conditions of the grant have been met, including the incurring of expenditure and the grant conditions are such that unspent grant must be refunded

Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Costs of raising funds including those associated with fundraising activities, managing investments and commercial trading by the subsidiary company.

Charitable activities costs of undertaking the work of charity.

The Charity is not registered for VAT and cannot recover any input tax charged. Costs are stated inclusive of VAT were charged.

Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions which assist the work of the Charity either by supporting the delivery of charitable activities or by supporting the generation of funds. They include back office functions, staff costs and professional fees. The basis of allocations is set out in note 5.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Individual fixed assets costing more than £250 are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful lives (after deducting any residual value) on a straight-line basis as set out below.

Depreciation rates are as follows:

Freehold buildings – Over 50 years

Leasehold buildings – Over 50 years or the period of the lease if shorter

Property fixtures and fittings – Over 20 years

Furniture – Over 10-15 years

Kitchen equipment 7 years

Computer and IT equipment – 4 years

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due and prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount.

Financial instruments

The Charity has only basic financial instruments which are initially recorded at cost, and with the exception of investments (as set out above) subsequently measured at their settlement value.

HOPE CORNER
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
2 DONATIONS						
Freewill offerings	51,140	-	51,140	50,274	-	50,274
Gift Aid	12,871	-	12,871	13,925	-	13,925
Other donations	3,235	-	3,235	7,263	-	7,263
Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
HMRC - CJRS	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted donations	-	1,308	1,308	-	3,423	3,423
	<u>67,246</u>	<u>1,308</u>	<u>68,554</u>	<u>71,462</u>	<u>3,423</u>	<u>74,885</u>

3 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Church	404	-	404	529	-	529
School	162,165	-	162,165	139,984	-	139,984
	<u>162,569</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>162,569</u>	<u>140,513</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>140,513</u>

Income is analysed as follows:

Church

Grants for Souper Heroes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	404	-	404	529	-	529
	<u>404</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>404</u>	<u>529</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>529</u>

School

Local authority fees	162,165	-	162,165	139,984	-	139,984
	<u>162,165</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>162,165</u>	<u>139,984</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>139,984</u>

4 OTHER TRADING INCOME

Catering income	3,460	-	3,460	201	-	201
Room hire	11,365	-	11,365	9,017	-	9,017
	<u>14,825</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,825</u>	<u>9,218</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,218</u>

HOPE CORNER
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2024

5 COSTS OF RAISING FUNDS	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Direct costs	3,825	-	3,825	1,812	-	1,812
Support costs	4,807	-	4,807	4,761	-	4,761
	<u>8,632</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,632</u>	<u>6,573</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,573</u>

6 CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

Church	97,869	1,308	99,177	90,195	3,423	93,618
School	156,596	-	156,596	157,058	-	157,058
	<u>254,465</u>	<u>1,308</u>	<u>255,773</u>	<u>247,253</u>	<u>3,423</u>	<u>250,676</u>

Expenditure is analysed as follows:

	Direct Costs	Direct Salaries	Support Costs	Total
	£	£	£	£
2023/24				
Church	1,025	36,625	61,527	99,177
School	12,210	101,769	42,617	156,596
	<u>13,235</u>	<u>138,394</u>	<u>104,144</u>	<u>255,773</u>
2022/23				
Church	3,737	35,478	54,403	93,618
School	18,888	97,713	40,457	157,058
	<u>22,625</u>	<u>133,191</u>	<u>94,860</u>	<u>250,676</u>

7 SUPPORT & GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Fundraising	Church	School	Total
	£	£	£	2024
	£	£	£	£
2023/24				
Property costs	-	10,808	2,702	13,510
Payroll costs	2,387	4,775	16,711	23,873
Administration costs	1,371	2,742	9,597	13,710
Depreciation/disposal gains	1,049	17,042	6,406	24,497
Finance costs	-	25,278	6,319	31,597
Governance costs	-	882	882	1,764
	<u>4,807</u>	<u>61,527</u>	<u>42,617</u>	<u>108,951</u>
2022/23				
Property costs	-	12,474	3,118	15,592
Payroll costs	2,104	4,208	14,728	21,040
Administration costs	1,608	3,216	11,257	16,081
Depreciation/disposal gains	1,049	17,415	6,406	24,870
Finance costs	-	16,190	4,048	20,238
Governance costs	-	900	900	1,800
	<u>4,761</u>	<u>54,403</u>	<u>40,457</u>	<u>99,621</u>

Support costs are allocated on the following basis:

Area	Basis
Property costs	Proportional use of property
Administrative costs	Allocation based on staff allocation

8 STAFF INFORMATION

	2024	2023
	£	£
a Employees		
Salaries and wages	152,104	144,197
Employer's pension contributions	3,265	2,905
Employer's NI contributions	6,898	7,129
	<u>162,267</u>	<u>154,231</u>

No employees earned more than £60,000 p.a. in either year.

b Key management personnel

The key management of the charity comprise the trustees and senior staff (as set out on page1).

The trustees do not receive any remuneration for their services as Trustees. The Senior Minister, Mark Finch also serves as an employee of the charity and is one of the two key management personnel.

The total employee benefits, including employer pension and Employers' NI contributions, of the employed key management personnel were as follows:

	<u>49,405</u>	<u>49,671</u>
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c Average staff numbers

The average number of employees was as follows:-

	Average number	Average number
	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>

9 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFERS (for the Group)

This is stated after charging/(crediting):

Independent examiners & accountants fees:

Examination	717	717
Accountancy fees	795	795
Depreciation of fixed assets	24,497	24,870
Trustees remuneration	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

	Number	Number
Trustees claiming expenses in relation to Trustee duties	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Freehold Land & Buildings	Leasehold Land & Buildings	Furniture & fittings	Instruments equipment & computers	Motor vehicles	Total
Cost or valuation	£	£	£	£	£	£
As at April 1 2023	950,000	-	15,108	45,632	16,700	1,027,440
Additions	-	-	-	606	-	606
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
As at March 31 2024	950,000	-	15,108	46,238	16,700	1,028,046
Depreciation						
As at April 1 2023	80,000	-	5,752	28,224	13,360	127,336
Charge for the year	16,000	-	-	5,825	2,672	24,497
Eliminated on disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
As at March 31 2024	96,000	-	5,752	34,049	16,032	151,833
Net Book Value						
As at March 31 2024	854,000	-	9,356	12,189	668	876,213
As at March 31 2023	870,000	-	9,356	17,408	3,340	900,104

The freehold and leasehold property was valued at August 1 2018 by Anthony Chadwick MRICS of Hardie Brack Chartered Surveyors.

11 ASSETS HELD FOR RESALE	2024	2023
	£	£
Leasehold property	146,362	146,362

The charity has taken the decision to dispose of its leasehold property at Church St, Runcorn. The value above is the Trustees' best estimate of the net sale proceeds after all expenses.

11 DEBTORS

Trade debtors	-	-
Income receivable	2,583	1,535
Sundry debtors and prepayments	(52)	-
	2,531	1,535

12 CREDITORS falling due within one year

Trade creditors	5,475	4,903
Other taxes and social security	6,657	1,874
Accruals	2,775	2,775
Other creditors	787	619
Finance lease creditor due in one year	-	-
Mortgage repayable in one year	29,728	26,255
Unsecured loans repayable in one year	-	-
	45,422	36,426

13 CREDITORS falling due in more than one year

Mortgage payable within 2 - 5 years	119,456	119,456
Mortgage repayable in more than 5 years	286,729	312,966

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14 STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	2022/23				b/f and c/f 31/03/2023	2023/24			
	01/04/2022	Income	Expenditure	transfers		Income	Expenditure	transfers	31/03/2024
	£	£	£	£		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds:									
General fund	560,360	221,193	(247,856)	-)	533,697	244,640	(263,097)	-)	515,240
Fixed asset revaluation reserve	72,509	-)	(5,970)	-)	66,539	-)	-)	-)	66,539
Total unrestricted funds	632,869	221,193	(253,826)	-)	600,236	244,640	(263,097)	-)	581,779
Restricted Funds:									
Donation mortgage payments	-)	2,280	(2,280)	-)	-)	1,308	(1,308)	-)	-)
Donation overseas missions	-)	1,143	(1,143)	-)	-)	-)	-)	-)	-)
Souper Heroes	-)	-)	-)	-)	-)	-)	-)	-)	-)
Total restricted funds	-)	3,423	(3,423)	-)	-)	1,308	(1,308)	-)	-)
	632,869	224,616	(257,249)	-)	600,236	245,948	(264,405)	-)	581,779

15 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Company fund balances at March 31 2024

are represented by:-

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	876,213	-	876,213
Net current assets	111,751	-	111,751
Creditors due in more than one year	(406,185)	-	(406,185)
	<u>581,779</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>581,779</u>
Free Reserves:			
Net current assets	<u>111,751</u>		

Company fund balances at March 31 2023

are represented by:-

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	900,104	-	900,104
Net current assets	132,554	-	132,554
Creditors due in more than one year	(432,422)	-	(432,422)
	<u>600,236</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600,236</u>

16 RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASHFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2024 £	2023 £
Net income/(expenditure)	(18,457)	(32,633)
Add back depreciation	24,497	24,870
Deduct Gain on disposal of fixed assets	-	-
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(996)	(322)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors (Exc. Loans))	<u>5,523</u>	<u>2,852</u>
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	<u>10,567</u>	<u>(5,233)</u>

17 NET MOVEMENT IN DEBT

	At 31/3/23 £	cashflows £	Loans repaid £	loan received £	At 31/03/24 £
Cash and cash equivalents					
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>21,083</u>	<u>9,961</u>	<u>(22,764)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,280</u>
Debt					
Mortgage loans	<u>(458,677)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,764</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(435,913)</u>
	<u>(458,677)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,764</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(435,913)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents net of debt	<u>(437,594)</u>				<u>(427,633)</u>

18 TAXATION

The company is a registered charity and is entitled to claim annual exemption from UK corporation tax under sections 466 to 477 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010.

19 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The company had no capital commitments at the year end (2022- none)

20 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Chair of Trustees (Revd. Mark Finch) is also the Senior Minister of the Church and is remunerated in this capacity (but not for acting as Trustee). The charity's constitution permits this arrangement. Mr Finch is also closely related to other employees of the charity. During the year his employment benefits were £35,478 (2023 - £35,478).

Mr Matthew Finch, a trustee, is also the Deputy Head of the School, and is remunerated in this capacity but not for acting as a trustee. The Charity's constitution permits this. His wife is employed by the charity and he is the son of the Chair. His employment benefits were £24,647 (2023- £24,647).

His wife received employment benefits of £ 11,803 (2023 - £11,803).