

**CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST
& UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
UXBRIDGE**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TO

31 AUGUST 2020

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CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

The Church Council present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the United Reformed Church guidance, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and the provisions of the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

This report is signed by a designated trustee on behalf of all of them.

Structure, governance and management

The Church was established by the amalgamation of Uxbridge United Reformed Church and Uxbridge Methodist Church on 28 September 1972 and is governed by its constitution adopted on 8 August 2010. The Church's objectives are to advance its religious and charitable work. It is a registered charity number 1139255.

The trustees who served during the year were:

Mrs Valerie Bailey

Dr Joy Barrow

Mrs Jean George

Mr Graham Hinton - appointed 23 February 2020

Mr Peter King

Mrs Joanne Mackin - appointed 23 February 2020

Mrs Patience Mandozana - resigned 23 February 2020

Mr Brian Moere

Mrs Rosemary Moere

Ms Patience Parker - resigned 23 February 2020

Miss Jennifer Peet

Mr Rudolph Wontumi - resigned 23 February 2020

The trustees normally meet five times in the year. Due to the coronavirus they met six times, three via zoom.

The church is a joint Methodist and United Reformed Church.

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness. These trustees together with the Minister are known as the Church Council.

Trustees are required to have been a Church member for at least 12 months. During their term of office, training is through bible study, ongoing experience and exposure to denominational literature and meetings.

Reference and administrative details

Christ Church, Uxbridge is registered as a charity number 1139255.

It is part of the Methodist Harrow and Hillingdon circuit and the United Reformed Church Thames North Synod.

The address of the church is Redford Way, Belmont Road, Uxbridge, UB8 1SZ.

We acknowledge our outreach by using the term 'Christ Church and Communicare'.

The title to the Church buildings is held by URC Thames North Trust whose address is St Paul's URC, Newton Road, Bayswater, London W2 5LS.

Objectives and activities

In setting our activities and planning our activities, the church council normally meets five times a year, has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit, and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

The purpose of Christ Church is to bring the love of God to the heart of Uxbridge by being a worshipping, caring community which accepts people as they are and helps them live life to the full.

We believe in an inclusive Church – a church which does not discriminate, on any level, on grounds of economic power, gender, mental health, physical ability, race or sexuality. We believe in a Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ.

Achievements and performance

By opening our building to the community, we hope to encourage people to appreciate our work and perhaps join us. In all activities we endeavour to demonstrate our aims and ethos. During the year the Church continued to further the work of God in the community.

In 2016 we opened a lunch time cafe on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This had been run by volunteers from both within and outside the church. Under the guidance of a paid cafe manager this has proved very popular and attracts clients from outside our church.

The church community raises money for a different charity each year and as part of our outreach we support the Communicare Counselling Service. Donations have been made to various appeals and various, mainly local, charities.

All church council and all leaders who are involved with children or vulnerable adults hold enhanced DBS certificates. The majority of church council and all leaders who are involved with children or vulnerable adults have received additional safeguarding training.

The Church is a part of Churches Together in Uxbridge and is part of Inclusive Church. Our Church has been closed since March 23rd and this has spurred our members to live-stream services via Facebook each Sunday at 11am. This is followed by a meeting via Zoom immediately after the service for a virtual 'coffee and chat'. Zoom is also used for a weekly Bible exploration group to 'meet'. In addition, a fortnightly virtual coffee meeting has been held. Our two office staff worked from home while the three caretakers and cleaner were furloughed for much of the time. Our two cafe staff were furloughed all the time.

Plans for the future

We are preparing to recommence services in our building. It is hoped that these services will be streamed via Facebook.

We are taking steps to raise our profile within the local community and to further our outreach activities. Partnering with some user organisations is being investigated.

Our minister retired at the end of August and we are working with the United Reformed Church to attract a replacement.

Trustees Responsibility Statement

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity 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 applicable Charities SORP;

Make judgements and accounting estimates that are responsible and prudent;

State whether applicable 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 charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the Church Council

Peter King
Church Council Member and Acting Secretary

Dated:

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary income	2	20,908	1,422	22,330	27,692
Legacies		0		0	23,036
Activities for generating funds	3	93,863	0	93,863	108,213
Investment income	4	1,014	0	1,014	1,225
		<u>115,785</u>	<u>1,422</u>	<u>117,207</u>	<u>160,166</u>
Incoming resources from charitable activity	5	0	110,000	110,000	110,000
Total incoming resources		<u>115,785</u>	<u>111,422</u>	<u>227,207</u>	<u>270,166</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities:					
URC Ministry & Mission Fund	7	7,500	0	7,500	7,500
Methodist Ministry & Mission Fund	7	8,445	0	8,445	32,619
Costs of church activities	8, 9	85,292	111,473	196,765	209,558
Total resources expended		<u>101,237</u>	<u>111,473</u>	<u>212,710</u>	<u>249,677</u>
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		14,548	(51)	14,497	20,489
Gross transfers between funds		3,400	(3,400)	0	0
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		<u>17,948</u>	<u>(3,451)</u>	<u>14,497</u>	<u>20,489</u>
Gains/(losses) on investment assets		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		<u>17,948</u>	<u>(3,451)</u>	<u>14,497</u>	<u>20,489</u>
Total funds b/fwd 1 September 2019		328,579	151,019	479,598	459,109
Total funds c/fwd 31 August 2020		<u>346,527</u>	<u>147,568</u>	<u>494,095</u>	<u>479,598</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these financial statements

**BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	170,657	0	170,657	171,834
		<u>170,657</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>170,657</u>	<u>171,834</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	6,341	0	6,341	2,057
Bank and cash balances		<u>347,385</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>347,385</u>	<u>346,266</u>
		353,726	0	353,726	348,323
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors payable within one year	12	<u>7,723</u>	<u>22,565</u>	<u>30,288</u>	<u>40,559</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>346,003</u>	<u>(22,565)</u>	<u>323,438</u>	<u>307,764</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>516,660</u>	<u>(22,565)</u>	<u>494,095</u>	<u>479,598</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
	13	346,527	147,568	494,095	479,598
		<u>346,527</u>	<u>147,568</u>	<u>494,095</u>	<u>479,598</u>

APPROVED by the Church Meeting held on 6 December 2020
and signed on its behalf by;

Mr Peter King

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NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1 **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

1a **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with guidance issued by the Methodist Church. The financial statements have been prepared 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) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

1b **Fund Accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the church in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor, or contained in the terms of a grant.

Endowment funds are restricted funds which either cannot be spent (permanent endowment) or where there is no actual requirement to spend or apply the capital unless, or until, the trustees decide to spend it (expendable endowment).

1c **Tangible Fixed Assets**

Freehold property: The Trustees of the church and manse buildings are the URC Thames North Synod Trust and of the manse are Harrow & Hillingdon Methodist Circuit who hold them upon trust for purposes connected with Christ Church.

Expenditure incurred on the church and manse is written off in the year it is incurred.

Equipment: Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates calculated to write off assets over their estimated useful lives:

Furniture	10% - 20% straight line
IT Equipment	33.33% straight line

1d **Incoming Resources**

All voluntary giving is included in the financial statements for the period in which it is received.

Donations under Gift Aid plus the associated tax recovery are recognised as income when the donation is received.

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

1e **Resources Expended**

The URC Ministry & Mission Fund contribution is paid regularly as is the Methodist Circuit contribution and are included in the financial statements.

Resources expended are recognised in the period to which they are incurred and include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered. They are allocated to the particular activity to which they relate.

Governance costs represent direct expenditure on the governance of the church, including the production and independent scrutiny of these financial statements.

As most of the management and activity of the church is carried out by volunteers, this intangible cost is not included in the financial statements as this voluntary contribution to the life of the church is incalculable.

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1f Taxation

As part of the United Reformed Church, the church is an excepted charity within the meaning of the Taxes Acts. Accordingly it is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes. No provision for taxation has been made in these financial statements.

1g Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due

1h 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.

1i Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2 VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Tithes and offerings (£250 per week; 2019 £327)	13,005	-	13,005	16,993
Income tax refunds under Gift Aid	4,141	-	4,141	3,788
Legacies	-	-	-	23,036
Jamaica Diabetic Centre	-	360	360	360
Church Cafe	3,762	-	3,762	4,761
Charity 2018	-	-	-	701
Charity 2019	-	881	881	519
Charity 2020	-	108	108	-
All We Can Do	-	73	73	-
Kerala Crisis Appeal	-	-	-	167
Indonesian Appeal	-	-	-	300
Cyclone IDAI Appeal	-	-	-	103
	20,908	1,422	22,330	50,728
Total 2019	48,578	2,150		50,728
3 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS				
Church lettings	50,676	-	50,676	78,018
Car Parking & donations	5,659	-	5,659	13,225
Church Organisations	415	-	415	500
Wilmar Close rent	16,600	-	16,600	16,470
Furlough receipts	20,513	-	20,513	-
	93,863	-	93,863	108,213
Total 2019	108,213			108,213

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
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4 INVESTMENT INCOME

Bank interest	1,014	-	1,014	1,225
	<u>1,014</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,014</u>	<u>1,225</u>
Total 2019	<u>1,225</u>			<u>1,225</u>

5 INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITY

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Income from UURCC Trust	-	110,000	110,000	110,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>110,000</u>
Total 2019		<u>110,000</u>		<u>110,000</u>

6 MINISTRY & MISSION FUND

The church contributes to the central URC costs of training and providing ministers (including the centralised payment of stipends, pension contributions and other benefits for ministers), running the denomination, and the wider mission of the national church. This annual budget amounts to some £21million, 82% of which relates to minister costs, and 91% is provided through the Ministry & Mission Fund contributions from churches.

7 MINISTERIAL COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
URC Ministry	7,500	-	7,500	7,500
Methodist Ministry	8,445	-	8,445	32,619
	<u>15,945</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,945</u>	<u>40,119</u>
Total 2019	<u>40,119</u>			<u>40,119</u>

8 COSTS OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Church costs:				
Insurance	2,661	-	2,661	2,542
Water rates	799	-	799	959
Buildings maintenance	44	9,000	9,044	25,568
Caretaker and Cleaners	15,419	33,873	49,292	48,740
Cleaning materials	1,086	1,000	2,086	2,811
Organist & organ/piano maintenance	1,971	-	1,971	3,259
Lighting & Heating	4,293	9,000	13,293	12,595
Wilmar Close maintenance	411	2,700	3,111	3,799
Signage	3,400	-	3,400	-
	<u>30,084</u>	<u>55,573</u>	<u>85,657</u>	<u>100,273</u>
Teaching costs:				
Pulpit supply	252	-	252	316
Children & young people	770	-	770	936
Training	214	-	214	1,734
	<u>1,236</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,236</u>	<u>2,986</u>
Communications:				
Administrator & Secretarial	29,918	29,232	59,150	57,328
Printing, postage and stationery	956	1,000	1,956	2,588
Telephones	520	500	1,020	1,020
	<u>31,394</u>	<u>30,732</u>	<u>62,126</u>	<u>60,936</u>

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
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8 COSTS OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES (continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Other programmes:				
Outreach	-	8,585	8,585	10,782
Communicare Counselling Service	-	15,110	15,110	15,000
All We Can Do	-	73	73	-
Charity 2019-Jairai Jiri	-	1,400	1,400	-
Little Hearts Matter (charity 2018)	-	-	-	1,000
Kerala Crisis Appeal	-	-	-	167
Indonesian Appeal	-	-	-	300
Cyclone IDAI Appeal	-	-	-	103
Church Cafe	16,540	-	16,540	9,690
	<u>16,540</u>	<u>25,168</u>	<u>41,708</u>	<u>37,042</u>
Other expenses	2,705	-	2,705	4,213
Depreciation of furniture and equipment	2,013	-	2,013	2,812
	<u>4,718</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,718</u>	<u>7,025</u>
TOTAL	<u>83,972</u>	<u>111,473</u>	<u>195,445</u>	<u>208,262</u>
Total 2019	<u>96,692</u>	<u>111,570</u>		<u>208,262</u>

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration (2019 - £nil)

During the year, no Trustees received any benefits in kind (2019 - £nil)

During the year, 3 Trustees received reimbursement of expenses for travel, sustenance and general administrative expenses totalling £101 (2019 - £311)

9 GOVERNANCE COSTS

Independent Examiner	1,320	-	1,320	1,296
	<u>1,320</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,320</u>	<u>1,296</u>
Total 2019	<u>1,296</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>1,296</u>

10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Contents Building £	Furniture £	Equipment £	Total 2020 £
Cost or Valuation				
At 1 September 2019	169,035	32,816	11,957	213,808
Additions	-	836	-	836
At 31 August 2020	<u>169,035</u>	<u>33,652</u>	<u>11,957</u>	<u>214,644</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2019		30,017	11,957	41,974
Charge for the year	-	2,013	0	2,013
At 31 August 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>32,030</u>	<u>11,957</u>	<u>43,987</u>
Net Book Value				
At 31 August 2020	<u>169,035</u>	<u>1,622</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>170,657</u>
At 31 August 2019	<u>169,035</u>	<u>2,799</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>171,834</u>

For the reasons stated in Accounting Policy note 1c, the church and manse buildings are not tangible fixed assets of the church. For insurance purposes the church buildings are insured by the church for £2,501,061 and Wilmar Close for £210,338. The church contents are insured by the church for £350,340.

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

11 DEBTORS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
	£	£	£	£
Harrow&Hillingdon Methodist Circuit	1,950	-	1,950	1,950
Gift Aid envelopes 2021	121	-	121	107
Furlough payment August	4,270	-	4,270	-
	<u>6,341</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,341</u>	<u>2,057</u>

12 CURRENT LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
	£	£	£	£
Creditors payable within one year:				
Tuesday Club Loan	320	-	320	220
Inland Revenue for PAYE/NIC	2,225	-	2,225	893
Outreach	-	12,565	12,565	14,565
Accountancy	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
Key deposit	20	-	20	20
UURCC Trust	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
Student Loan	74	-	74	39
Maintenance	895	-	895	12,205
Wilmar Close Maintenance	528	-	528	-
Power, Light & Heat	1,061	-	1,061	1,116
Income received in advance	1,100	-	1,100	-
	<u>7,723</u>	<u>22,565</u>	<u>30,288</u>	<u>40,558</u>

13 DESIGNATED FUNDS & RESTRICTED FUNDS

The church operates 4 Designated Funds and Restricted funds with the encouragement of Church Meeting:

	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
	£	£	£	£
Church Fund	168,107	-	168,107	168,107
Building Fund	-	75,000	75,000	75,000
Specific Fund	-	75,968	75,968	76,019
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	178,420	-	178,420	160,472
	<u>346,527</u>	<u>150,968</u>	<u>497,495</u>	<u>479,598</u>

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
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14 The movements on the Designated Funds during the year were:

Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Balance b/fwd 1 September 2019	160,472	-	160,472
Surplus for the year - unrestricted	17,948	-	17,948
Surplus for the year - restricted	-	-	-
Balance c/fwd 31 August 2020	<u>178,420</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>178,420</u>
Specific Fund			£
Balance b/fwd 1 September 2019			76,019
Transfer legacy/donation to specific funds			-
Plus Restricted fund surplus			
Church Charity 2019			881
Church Charity 2020			108
Jamaica diabetic Centre			360
			<u>77,368</u>
Less Restricted fund payments			
Charity 2019 - Jairos Jiri			1,400
Signs			3,400
Balance c/fwd 31 August 2020			<u>72,568</u>

Statement of Funds - Prior Year

	Balance at 1 Sept 2018 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 Aug 2019 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	331,706	158,016	138,107	351,615
	<u>331,706</u>	<u>158,016</u>	<u>138,107</u>	<u>351,615</u>
Restricted Funds				
Building Fund	75,000			75,000
Specific Fund	52,403	112,150	111,570	52,983
	<u>127,403</u>	<u>112,150</u>	<u>111,570</u>	<u>127,983</u>
Total of Funds	<u>459,109</u>	<u>270,166</u>	<u>249,677</u>	<u>479,598</u>

15 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions in the year.

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
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16 STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	116,463	108,307
Social security	5,592	5,055
Other pension costs	2,879	2,318
	<u>124,934</u>	<u>115,680</u>

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2020	2019
Direct charitable activities	7	6
	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>

CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

I have prepared the financial statements on pages 5 to 13 for the year ended 31 August 2020.

Brian Moere

Date: 5 December 2020

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial statements of Christ Church, Uxbridge for the year ended 31 August 2020, which are set out on pages 5 to 13.

This report is made solely to the Church Council, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Church Council those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the Church Council as a body, for my work or for this report.

The financial statement have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

Respective responsibilities of the Church Council and Examiner

The Church Council are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The Church Council consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed. I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the ICAEW.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and

- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed:

David Alesbury FCA Feltons
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Date: 17 December 2020