

Company registration number: 07435582

Charity registration number: 1139671

# Life Church Lancashire

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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## **Life Church Lancashire**

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## **Life Church Lancashire**

### **Reference and Administrative Details**

<b>Trustees</b>	Mrs B Baker
	Mr M Hirst
	Mr D Randall
	Mrs R Sollis
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1139671
<b>Company Registration Number</b>	07435582
<b>Registered Office</b>	Life Church 30 Sycamore Avenue Burnley BB12 6QP
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	KM 1st Floor, Block C The Wharf Manchester Road Burnley Lancashire BB11 1JG
<b>Solicitors:</b>	Geldards LLP Number One Pride Place Pride Park Derby DE24 8QR
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## **Life Church Lancashire**

### **Trustees' Report**

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **Trustees**

Mrs B Baker

Reverend J Brunton (resigned 1 July 2023)

Mr M Brunton (resigned 28 January 2022)

Mr M Hirst

Mr D Randall (appointed 28 January 2022)

Mrs R Sollis

#### **Objects, aims and activities**

##### **Objects and aims**

The objects of the charity as per the Articles of Association are:

To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement in such ways and in such parts of the UK or the world as the directors from time to time may think fit;

To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the UK or the world as the directors from time to time think fit, and

To advance education in such ways and in such parts of the UK or the world as the directors from time to time may think fit.

To further the work of the gospel of Jesus Christ at home and overseas.

We also provide assistance to the community including support of a Community Grocery, Women's Refuge, Asylum Seekers, Debt Relief, Parenting and Marriage Courses and local schools. In addition, we provide regular activities for children, youth, the elderly and those recovering from addiction.

##### **Activities**

Financial assistance and volunteering at local schools, Burnley Community Grocery and Women's Refuge.

The training and improvement of life skills of the church and wider community.

The final phase of the first floor development commenced in September 2022.

During the year our income from conferencing has increased providing an increased financial contribution to assist the overall aims of the charity.

##### **Public benefit**

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

## **Life Church Lancashire**

### **Trustees' Report**

#### **Financial review**

We ended the year with £141,501 in general reserves, not designated.

The organisation is therefore able to continue its activities in the short term, maintain staff levels, cover ongoing overhead costs and complete the final phase of the first floor development.

#### **Future plans**

During 2022 work commenced on the first floor development. This is anticipated to be completed later in 2023. There are no other significant plans other than the ongoing operation of the charity.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **Nature of governing document**

The charity is governed by its Articles of Association dated 10th November 2010.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The trustees comprise the Senior Minister of the church together with such persons as the Senior Minister shall nominate and the trustees shall from time to time appoint.

##### **Trustees remuneration**

Remuneration of the Senior Minister is permitted by the Articles of Association along with remuneration to other trustees as long as the majority of trustees do not benefit.

##### **Risk management**

The trustees have risk management policies in place, which are reviewed from time to time. One of the major risks is safeguarding and the trustees are satisfied that appropriate policies and training are in place, and that all DBS checks are carried out.

##### **Small companies provision statement**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 15.9.23 and signed on its behalf by:



Mrs B Baker  
Trustee

## **Life Church Lancashire**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Life Church Lancashire ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's 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 charity'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 the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Life Church Lancashire 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.



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15 September 2023

## Life Church Lancashire

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted £	Total 2021 £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	290,770	290,770	226,656	226,656
Other trading activities	4	78,711	78,711	39,594	39,594
Investment income	5	1,105	1,105	118	118
Other income		<u>2,880</u>	<u>2,880</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total income		<u>373,466</u>	<u>373,466</u>	<u>266,368</u>	<u>266,368</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	6	<u>(301,707)</u>	<u>(301,707)</u>	<u>(256,523)</u>	<u>(256,523)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(301,707)</u>	<u>(301,707)</u>	<u>(256,523)</u>	<u>(256,523)</u>
Net income		<u>71,759</u>	<u>71,759</u>	<u>9,845</u>	<u>9,845</u>
Net movement in funds		71,759	71,759	9,845	9,845
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		<u>1,268,238</u>	<u>1,268,238</u>	<u>1,258,393</u>	<u>1,258,393</u>
Total funds carried forward	16	<u><u>1,339,997</u></u>	<u><u>1,339,997</u></u>	<u><u>1,268,238</u></u>	<u><u>1,268,238</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2021 is shown in note 16.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	11	2,021,144	2,020,352
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	12	7,745	8,027
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>161,030</u>	<u>104,658</u>
		168,775	112,685
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	<u>(27,310)</u>	<u>(21,538)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>141,465</u>	<u>91,147</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		2,162,609	2,111,499
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	14	<u>(822,612)</u>	<u>(843,261)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>1,339,997</u>	<u>1,268,238</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>1,339,997</u>	<u>1,268,238</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	16	<u>1,339,997</u>	<u>1,268,238</u>

For the financial year ending 31 December 2022 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

## Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements on pages 5 to 13 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 15.9.23 and signed on their behalf by:

B. Baker  
Mrs B Baker  
Trustee

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



## **Life Church Lancashire**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

#### **1 Charity status**

The charity is limited by guarantee, incorporated in England, and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

The address of its registered office is:

Life Church  
30 Sycamore Avenue  
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These financial statements were authorised for issue by the trustees on 15 September 2023.

#### **2 Accounting policies**

##### **Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates**

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

##### **Statement of compliance**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 (FRS 102)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

##### **Basis of preparation**

Life Church Lancashire meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

##### **Going concern**

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

##### **Income**

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 the income receivable can be measured reliably.

##### **Governance costs**

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including independent examination, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

## **Life Church Lancashire**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

#### **Taxation**

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### **Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

<b>Asset class</b>	<b>Depreciation method and rate</b>
Freehold property	1% per annum on straight line basis
Fixtures and fittings	10% per annum on cost

#### **Trade debtors**

Trade debtors are amounts due for services performed in the ordinary course of business.

#### **Fund structure**

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

#### **Pensions and other post retirement obligations**

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

# Life Church Lancashire

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

### 3 Income from donations

	Unrestricted		Total 2022	Total 2021
	Designated £	General £	£	£
Donations from individuals	20,209	222,634	242,843	182,768
Gift aid reclaimed	-	37,927	37,927	43,888
Legacies	-	10,000	10,000	-
	<u>20,209</u>	<u>270,561</u>	<u>290,770</u>	<u>226,656</u>

### 4 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted	Total 2022	Total 2021
	General £	£	£
Impact conferencing and cafe sales	<u>78,711</u>	<u>78,711</u>	<u>39,594</u>

### 5 Investment income

	Unrestricted	Total 2022	Total 2021
	General £	£	£
Interest receivable on bank deposits	<u>1,105</u>	<u>1,105</u>	<u>118</u>

### 6 Expenditure on charitable activities

		Unrestricted		Total 2022	Total 2021
	Note	Designated £	General £	£	£
Charitable activities		-	92,274	92,274	73,949
Depreciation		28,308	-	28,308	28,308
Staff costs	9	-	132,856	132,856	105,173
Bank interest payable		47,609	-	47,609	48,463
Governance costs	7	-	660	660	630
		<u>75,917</u>	<u>225,790</u>	<u>301,707</u>	<u>256,523</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

#### 7 Analysis of governance and support costs

##### Governance costs

	Unrestricted General £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Independent Examiner's remuneration	660	660	630
	<u>660</u>	<u>660</u>	<u>630</u>

#### 8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

Salaries were paid to Rev J Brunton and Mrs B Baker (directors/trustees) as authorised by the Articles of Association.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year, other than those received in the capacity of an employee.

#### 9 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	114,325	90,432
Social security costs	3,435	2,011
Pension costs	15,096	12,730
	<u>132,856</u>	<u>105,173</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2022 No	2021 No
Charitable activities	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year.

## Life Church Lancashire

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

#### 10 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### 11 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 January 2022	2,035,506	80,000	2,115,506
Revaluations	<u>29,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,100</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,064,606</u>	<u>80,000</u>	<u>2,144,606</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 1 January 2022	63,154	32,000	95,154
Charge for the year	<u>20,308</u>	<u>8,000</u>	<u>28,308</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>83,462</u>	<u>40,000</u>	<u>123,462</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,981,144</u>	<u>40,000</u>	<u>2,021,144</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,972,352</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>2,020,352</u>

#### 12 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	6,995	6,474
Prepayments	<u>750</u>	<u>1,553</u>
	<u>7,745</u>	<u>8,027</u>

#### 13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank loans	19,796	18,943
Other taxation and social security	3,580	-
Other creditors	1,757	1,231
Accruals	<u>2,177</u>	<u>1,364</u>
	<u>27,310</u>	<u>21,538</u>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank loans	<u>822,612</u>	<u>843,261</u>

Bank loans are secured on the land and buildings owned by the charity.

### 15 Pension and other schemes

#### Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the charity to the scheme and amounted to £15,096 (2021 - £12,730).

### 16 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	110,090	353,257	(225,790)	(96,505)	141,052
<i>Designated</i>					
Fixed assets reserve	1,158,148	-	(75,917)	96,505	1,178,736
Missions fund	-	20,209	-	-	20,209
	<u>1,158,148</u>	<u>20,209</u>	<u>(75,917)</u>	<u>96,505</u>	<u>1,198,945</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>1,268,238</u>	<u>373,466</u>	<u>(301,707)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,339,997</u>
	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	85,067	266,368	(179,752)	(61,593)	110,090
<i>Designated</i>					
Fixed assets reserve	<u>1,173,326</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(76,771)</u>	<u>61,593</u>	<u>1,158,148</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>1,258,393</u>	<u>266,368</u>	<u>(256,523)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,268,238</u>

## Life Church Lancashire

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Transfer between funds represents loan payments and additions to fixed assets.

The Fixed assets reserve represents the investment in property and equipment less related borrowings.

The Missions fund is to support work outside the church, including overseas.

#### 17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds		Total funds at
	General	Designated	31 December
	£	£	2022
Tangible fixed assets	-	2,021,144	2,021,144
Current assets	148,566	20,209	168,775
Current liabilities	(7,514)	(19,796)	(27,310)
Creditors over 1 year	-	(822,612)	(822,612)
Total net assets	<u>141,052</u>	<u>1,198,945</u>	<u>1,339,997</u>

  

	Unrestricted funds		Total funds at
	General	Designated	31 December
	£	£	2021
Tangible fixed assets	-	2,020,352	2,020,352
Current assets	112,685	-	112,685
Current liabilities	(2,595)	(18,943)	(21,538)
Creditors over 1 year	-	(843,261)	(843,261)
Total net assets	<u>110,090</u>	<u>1,158,148</u>	<u>1,268,238</u>