

**Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020  
for  
THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

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**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

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# **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

## **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton is a Local Ecumenical

### **Partnership:**

The Local Ecumenical Partnership

The Charity gives effect to the local ecumenical partnership the Emmanuel Churches approved for the area of benefit by the participating Churches; and looks to the sponsoring body for support, encouragement and advice.

### **The Area of Benefit:**

The area of benefit is primarily the communities associated with Northampton East, together with the area of Boothville, and those who associate with it and benefit from its ministry. For the Anglican Parish the area of ministry is as the Parish of Northampton, Emmanuel.

### **The Participating Churches:**

The participating denominations are:

- o The Baptist Union of Great Britain
- o The Church of England
- o The Methodist Church of Great Britain

### **The participating Churches are:**

- o Boothville Community Church (based in Boothville Community Centre)
- o Rectory Farm Community Church (based in the Rectory Farm Primary School)
- o Emmanuel Church (based in the Weston Favell Shopping Centre)

### **Staffing:**

We have a strong team for the leading of worship in our three congregations.

### **Clergy:**

The Reverend Haydon Spenceley (Team Rector 2017)  
The Reverend Douglas Spenceley (Assistant Priest 2017)  
The Reverend Stuart Jenkins (Free Church (Baptist) Minister 2019)  
The Reverence Chris Pearson (Assistant Priest 2019)  
Mrs Yvonne Desroches (Assistant Curate 2020)

### **Lay Preachers and Readers:**

Mrs Maureen Luke, Reader (C of E)  
Mr James Fearnley, Reader (C of E)  
Mr David Bell, Reader (C of E)

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Mr Peter Angus, Reader (C of E)  
Mrs Sheila Angus, Lay Pastoral Minister (C of E)  
Mrs Kristin Hatherly, Lay Pastor (BUGB)  
Mr Keith Holland Delamere, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mrs Angie Kennedey, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mr Ken Clark, Reader (C of E)

Yvonne Desroches was welcomed as Assistant Curate in the Group of Churches in 2020. She was licensed on 26th September 2020 by The Rt Revd John Holbrook, Bishop of Brixworth. Likewise, Paul Foster, was licensed as a Lay Minister on 26th September 2020 by The Rt Revd Donald Allister, Bishop of Peterborough. It is a delight to welcome both to our ministry team.



## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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#### **Objectives and activities**

##### **Objectives and aims**

The Church Council of the Emmanuel Group of Churches has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy in promoting the ecumenical, pastoral, evangelistic and social mission of the churches.

The premises of the LEP comprise Emmanuel Church and are subject to a sharing agreement under the provision of the Sharing of Church Buildings Act 1969. The Shared Churches committee however devolves responsibility for the Emmanuel Church building to the Emmanuel Group Church Council.

The Clergy and Group Council have enshrined a Declaration of Intent in the Local Ecumenical Partnership Constitution of 2010:

God's call to unity contains the promise of wholeness; healing and reconciliation. It is for individuals, the church and the community.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. The Lord has sent me to proclaim freedom for prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour (Isiah 61: vl-2).

We understand the vision of Isiah 61, affirmed by Jesus at the start of his mission, to be highly significant in working out mission in our neighbourhood and the world.

It is our prayer that we may both be and become:

a "home" for the community whether or not they have come to Christian Faith  
a healing community within which faith, love, hope and truth may be discovered. a family within which forgiveness may be both received and given.  
a mission centre for those who will be salt and light in neighbourhood, nation and world. a church within which:  
the Father-heart of God may be known the love of Jesus may be discovered  
the power of the Holy Spirit may be experienced as people grow to maturity in Christ.

We facilitate these intentions through:

- o The worshipping and community life of our three congregations
- o The maintenance of the fabric of the Emmanuel building
- o And the running of the Emmanuel Coffee Shop
- o And the provision of Weston Favell Centre Food Bank (under Trussell Trust)

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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#### **Objectives and activities**

Annual Report from the Team Rector:

As it was for every Church and charity, probably the world over, 2020 was a strange and unusual year. Fortunately for us, where Covid-19 could have rendered us chaotic, confused, afraid and anxious, what it actually did was bring us as a Church together with a unity of purpose and sense of direction. My aim is for us to be a family of faith where there's always room for one more and we achieved this in many ways in 2020. Many new people joined us through our online services and in online gatherings to learn about faith. Alongside this, the more than doubling in our Foodbank distribution alongside delivering meals to those isolated and in need, building relationships with local schools and developing projects such as the Money Support Centre which is launching in early 2021 are all signs that the Church is alive, well and doing what it needs to.

The work of many people has kept us going through 2020. I wish to particularly commend Mike Maddocks our Treasurer who has kept a close eye on our finances throughout the year, and Julie Parsons our Fundraiser who has done fantastic work to attain grants which have enabled us to keep our staff working, keeping them building, nurturing and developing burgeoning teams of volunteers and most of all meeting new people in the community who need to receive help and hear the message of hope and love that Jesus has given us to share. Each one of our staff have done astounding work this year. I'm also encouraged by the way in which many who are part of our family of faith have found their own way of not just surviving 2020, but thinking of others, serving them, showing love and putting faith into action. Whatever 2021 brings, I'm confident that we will prepare for what we can and respond to what we must with the goal of making sure that we make our area of Northampton East better because we're here serving and loving it first and foremost and that out of that love and service ripples might go across the town and further afield to show and share the love of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for your prayers and support this year.

Every blessing, Haydon

Rectory Farm Congregation 2020:

An unusual year, new opportunities emerging.

Rectory Farm Community Church last met at the school in March 2020. We are currently not permitted to meet at the school or in the community centre due to the pandemic. Around a third of the congregation met in person once at Emmanuel Church since then. Members have been keeping in contact with each other via a new WhatsApp group and a small number have been meeting most weeks for a short zoom call after the group online service. Discussions about the future direction of the congregation have taken place.

During the pandemic Rectory Farm Community Centre was expanded to add a second hall. Mel, Paul and Keith visited in a covid secure manner to see the new and refurbished facilities. Various exchanges have taken place between leadership team or Community Spaces Northampton via email to look at the possibility of moving the congregation from the school to the community centre and these are looking very likely. There are a series of possible exciting partnerships and activities that the congregation will be able to engage with in the post pandemic future. We pray that a clear vision for the future direction of Rectory Farm Community Church emerges whilst we wait for the right time to move forward.

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#### **Objectives and activities**

##### **Youth 2020:**

A very different year and one I hope we never repeat. March saw a very abrupt end to face to face contact across all groups. Rzone, Shine and Sunday Groups remained closed for the remainder of the year. Despite a few attempts to get the young people to engage in Sunday sessions via zoom, participation quickly dwindled. However, Jamout and Godsquad continued with good attendance and by May we were meeting weekly in a local park. No residential took place. We began to meet inside the Emmanuel building in October for well being sessions and this was well attended. Walkie Talkie began in October and has been well attended and very pleased to hear that funding had been extended until April 2021. Sadly, at least half of the young people we normally connect with weekly have disengaged since March.

Mel Efde

##### **Emmanuel Church - 2020:**

We have been unable to meet together as a congregation for almost a year now. During this time we have streamed regular services on our website and facebook page. This has included the whole group of churches and been amazingly successful. We have even had new folk joining us and a few past members of Emmanuel who moved away have been able to worship with us too. These services are able to be viewed at other times enabling those who can't make it to the service on Sunday morning to access it at a time more suitable for them.

We also have a short reflective meeting on Wednesday Evenings and a Prayer meeting on Monday evenings. There is a new Prayer and Praise Hub for prayer requests and answers to prayers at: [www.emmprayer.co.uk](http://www.emmprayer.co.uk).

A few of our family don't have internet access. We have done our best to identify who they are, make contact and provide help if needed.

There are lots of things happening via Facebook and Instagram for our young people and daily posts reflecting on Bible readings on our website. House groups have also continued over Zoom.

Needless to say, we all look forward to a time when we will be able to meet each other in person again.

Liz Bateman

(Emmanuel Congregational Meeting Chair)

##### **Boothville Congregation - 2020:**

Weekly services, bi-monthly congregational meetings & lunches & in-person pastoral support were the order of the day until the first lockdown. Since then, pastoral support continued by phone & email, with members encouraged to access the weekly on-line services from Emmanuel. When actual services were permitted, with Covid-19 precautions in place, there was a service in October and three in December.

##### **Emmanuel Building - 2020:**

Re-decoration of the Family Room has been completed, as has the replacement of the emergency lighting system.

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#### **Objectives and activities**

All the roofs are in need of either replacement or repair. An appeal to church members has raised a substantial sum and the Church Fundraiser has secured some grants and pledges from outside organisations, but she is still seeking further funds to cover the cost of all the works.

#### **Emmanuel Coffee Shop - 2020:**

Early in the year we were looking forward to improving our offerings with a new Coffee Machine and Electronic Point of Sale system. We were also looking to improve our links with the Church joining in with Food & Fun in School Holidays - FISH.

With the advent of Covid 19 Café Emm was unable to continue functioning as a cafe. Conscious of the impact the virus and lockdown were having on our local community we focused on creating a hot meals delivery service for vulnerable adults and families, especially those shielding and the over 70s. This has been enabled by volunteers cooking and delivering food twice a week. The volunteers were supported by the Café Emm Manager. This has proved popular and we have continued to provide free meals throughout the pandemic. This has been funded in large part by donations from individuals, organisations and local government.

While some staff were furloughed the Manager continued as a paid employee to refurbish the Café to make it Covid Safe. We implemented contactless payments, purchased screens, put in additional washing facilities and adjusted the layout to allow for social distancing. When the first lockdown came to an end we purchased a new coffee machine and looked forward to welcoming customers back into the Café.

We maintained the hot food deliveries while slowly opening up the Café two days a week and customers were starting to return when the hospitality industry was again shut down. So we have reverted back to supplying just the hot meals to vulnerable adults and families.

The Trustees would like to thank the staff and volunteers for all that they have contributed to the life of the Coffee Shop over the past twelve months, without their support the Coffee Shop would not be able to operate as it does. This has been a particularly difficult year for all and without their hard work and enthusiasm we would not have been able to support our community in the way we have. Particular thanks go to our manager Julie who has put so much effort into ensuring we can provide meals for the community and has remained positive in the face of numerous setbacks.

#### **Plans for the future**

The impact of Covid 19 on our general finances and the likelihood that this will also have a long term impact on our core customers who tend to be young families, the elderly or disadvantaged. It is likely that even when restrictions are lifted these will not return in large enough numbers quickly enough to keep the Café financially viable. This means that we are having to review our long term strategy.

Ideas which we are currently costing out and investigating are to;

1. Continue with delivery of hot meals which would become a paid for service.
2. The possibility of subsidising meals for vulnerable adults or families could still tie up with the community provision for Food in School Holidays offered by Emmanuel Church.
3. Link up with the local Cinema, Lings Forum, to offer specials after film showings.
4. Focus on family meals with a set menu on alternate weeks running as a Sunday Lunch Club

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#### Objectives and activities

5. Part of Emmanuel Church is adjacent to the main bus stops for the Weston Favell Centre. It may be possible to open a "hole in the wall" for drinks and cakes which may increase footfall and turnover as more people become aware of our offering.

K.Potter

Chair of Café Emm Trustees

The Weston Favell Shopping Centre:

We continue to be grateful for the relationship and partnership we have with Weston Favell Shopping Centre. In the trying times of 2020 it was extremely heartening to see this co-operation continuing and growing. We remain thankful for the use of Unit 33/34 for Weston Favell Centre Foodbank on terms which are very positive for us and have enabled us to serve the guests and the community to the best of our ability this year. I'm also grateful for the ways that the Centre have shown care for us as tenants in the ongoing pandemic times, as well as assisting us with advice on various maintenance and buildings projects which we have undertaken or attempted to move forwards this year. It's a privilege to be a Church in the Shopping Centre or, to put it another way, the Church for the Shopping Centre and in 2021 and beyond I hope we will continue to serve the Centre and its staff and wider community in every way we can. In these challenging times for retail it will be interesting to see how things develop for the Centre in the coming time and we may need to be nimble as Trustees and as a Church in how we respond to what transpires. In the meantime my overwhelming feeling is one of thankfulness to God and to Kevin Legg and his great team.

Haydon

Community Care - 2020:

With covid causing a lot of the things I normally do to stop, I needed to fill my time other ways. I got involved with our foodbank two days a week, involved in setting up and being part of the delivery service they started, to those isolating or shielding, this was really enjoyable, and the customers valued the short time we had to talk to them, this led us to start up a befriending service to those isolating and shielding. Away from foodbank, we managed to run FISH twice and the drop-in at Brookside community hub 15 times running. After two delayed launches, we finally started the money support centre in January 2021, and spent a lot of 2020 training the team of volunteers to run the centre. Can't wait to be able to run things normally and safely in 2021!

P Foster

Emmanuel Family Tots - 2020:

This year our two Family Tots Group went well until everything came to a halt in March at the start of the first Covid lockdown. It then became impossible for us to meet together as groups.

We tried very hard to stay connected to our members on Messenger. We are very grateful to Tracy, our children's worker, for all her hard work. After the initial few weeks, we got an online regular Tots slot on Zoom where it was possible to share, do activities and craft each Wednesday morning. Unfortunately, this was not well attended, partly because the change in circumstances for everyone.

Tracey also has been doing valuable work keeping in touch with some of the more vulnerable from our group, both children and adults.



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#### **Objectives and activities**

During the summer period we did manage a socially distanced meeting of most of our staff in Abington park to discuss the way forward. We also managed to make presentations to those of our children who were moving to nursery/primary school. Again the situation with Covid became very bad and we went into lockdown again in November and then again after Christmas.

We very much hope we will be able to start again in some form as soon as the situation allows. It will be a case of starting from Square one with one morning group, I think. We still have some funds and lots of toys and activities. Most of the children we were involved with will by now have moved up to other groups. We do pray that we are able to re-establish Emmanuel Family Tots in 2021.

Maureen Timms, Emmanuel Family Tots.

#### **Food Bank - 2020:**

In 2019 the foodbank distributed food parcels to just under 6,000 people. In 2020 we distributed food parcels to just over 12,000 people. This is a huge leap.

In one year foodbank has moved from being open one day a week to three days, plus deliveries.

We are following the government guidelines on social distancing in the unit and are changing the way we work to ensure everyone is as safe as they possibly can be. Volunteers are in teams or 'Bubbles' of 6 - 8 people.

This year we aim to introduce partners back to the unit. Currently we are working on ways to do this. Donations continue to flow in with people generously donating both money and food. We are working with Food4Heroes who over Christmas donated Christmas dinners for all our foodbank guests. Greencore donate approx.100 sandwiches and wraps per week for both foodbank guests and volunteers.

We are developing a befriending service which works via the telephone. When we identify foodbank guests and those who receive deliveries who are in need of extra support we are able to offer them this service. With the trauma and worry of last year and the current lockdown situation, this element of foodbank is growing.

Once lockdown has been relaxed and we are able to have higher numbers of people in the unit at one time, we will be working towards inviting partners back into the unit so that rather than just providing people with food we will achieve a more holistic approach of supporting, encouraging and enabling people to move on and achieve independence.

Liz Bateman  
(WFC Foodbank Management Committee Chair)

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

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#### **Achievement and performance**

##### **Fundraising report**

In 2020, the pandemic impacted dramatically on funding for our churches and the Food Bank. As personal cash donations and room hire income reduced, while the needs for our support increased exponentially, we had to rely on the generosity of grant providers and the public. We were not disappointed!

The Food Bank has been blessed with extraordinary support from so many people, groups, clubs and shops, too many to mention each one, so please recognise our sincere thanks to every one of you.

Weston Favell Centre Food Bank, which sits under the umbrella of Emmanuel Group of Churches, received the following gifts and grants during 2020 and we are so grateful for each one:

Lowther Charitable settlement £100

Marston Charitable Trust £100

The Pettit Trust £300

Sir John Sumner Trust £200

Trussell Trust £25,903

Councillor Community Fund £500

Western Power £3,600

Lieutenancy Emergency Fund £1,500

Northamptonshire Community Foundation Recovery Fund £7,143

Elaine Barratt Charitable Trust £200

Making a Difference Locally £376

Groundworks Tesco Bags £500

Northampton Borough Council Partnership Grant £5,000

St Faith's Trust £1,000

Coop Community Dividend Fund £500

The 7 Stars Foundation £1,000

Infinis Energy Services Ltd £5,000

Henry Boot plc £200

Barratt Homes Community Fund £5,000

Sainsburys bag appeal £3,327

Rotary Club of Nene Valley £6127

Rotary Club of Northampton £250

We received various collections from schools, postmen, churches, cafes and groups, and we are grateful for each one.

We are especially grateful for the unrestricted donations and the grants to cover running costs, allowing us to pay for our essential bills, not just to buy food supplies. The Infinis grant, for example, came at the perfect time to enable us to pay for the service charge on our store, when we had no other funding for it.

Many of you have supported us with donations via Localgiving, for which we are so grateful:

<https://localgiving.org/weston-favell-centre-foodbank>

Emmanuel Group of Churches was also blessed with generous gifts and grants which included:

One Stop Carriers for Causes via Groundworks £577

Northamptonshire Office of Police and Crime Commissioner £10,000

Councillor Community Fund £560

St Giles Trust £3,360

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National Lottery celebration grant £1,000  
Growing Together, Northampton £8,594  
Queens Institute £3,000  
Wakeham Trust £1,250  
Northamptonshire Community Foundation £11,788  
Hillards Trust £1000  
Magic Little Grants £500  
The Charity of Hervey and Elizabeth Ekins £13,000  
Grand Union Housing £270  
The National Lottery £34,998  
All Churches Trust £2,500  
Northamptonshire Sports Inequality Fund £1,100  
The 29th May 1961 Charity £3,000  
Northampton Partnership Homes Happy to Help fund £250  
Localgiving Matched Funding Scheme £3,017  
Laing Family Trust £5,000  
Mick George Sports fund £747

We were also delighted to receive the following pledges of support for our building works, once we reach our target for the works to be commenced:

Bernard Sunley Foundation £5,000  
Sports England £40,000

The repairs to our roof, and the refurbishment of our toilets and the installation of a shower near the sports hall and café, remain my priorities as Fundraiser, on top of our running costs and to retain our excellent team.

Many of you have supported us with donations via Localgiving, for which we are so grateful:  
<https://localgiving.org/emmanuelgroup>

Thank you so much to all of you for your extraordinary support. We thank God for His provision through each act of generosity.

Julie Parsons - Emmanuel Group of Churches - Fundraiser



## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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#### **Financial review**

##### **Financial Report - 2020**

Covid 19 had quite an impact on various aspects of Income indices on the Emmanuel Group of Churches 2020 budget.

There were significant losses against budget due to Covid in 2020 - £30,942 on Lettings, £8,724 on Giving and £4,500 on Coffee Shop Rent - this was countered a little by savings on Utilities, due to lack of use of the building.

Despite the problems of 2020, I am pleased to advise that we paid 100% of our Parish Share in 2020.

We also paid the full Methodist Assessment for 2020.

A great deal of credit in achieving these figures should go to Julie Parsons, she raised in excess of £200,000 in revenue and restricted monies in 2020 which is a staggering amount of money, without her efforts and the continued amazing generosity of Congregational members and those people not directly associated with Emmanuel Group of Churches, we would not be in the position we are now.

Considering what we have been through in 2020, I feel privileged to have been your Treasurer and to have played a small part in what is a remarkable achievement, to which prayerful thanks should be given and maybe a celebration when we are allowed to be together again.

Our Free Funds stood at £21,460 @ December end 2020

Our Free Funds stood at £733 @ December end 2019

Looking back on 2020, I want to begin by expressing my thanks once again for the excellent support given by Finance Team Members during 2020.

Mike Maddocks - Treasurer - Emmanuel Group of Churches

#### **Reserves policy**

It is Council policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least one months unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. At the year end our funds exceeded this balance. It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

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

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

#### **Reference and administrative details**

##### **Registered Charity number**

1140504

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**Trustees**

Rev P S Snelson (resigned 29.2.20)  
Rev H Spenceley  
Rev D Spenceley  
Mr M Maddocks  
Mr K Holland-Delamere  
Mr J Weaver  
Mrs E Bateman  
Mrs J L Cole  
Mr D F Bell  
Mrs F Potter  
Mrs P J Thompson  
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 25 May 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



Rev H Spenceley - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
The Emmanuel Group of Churches  
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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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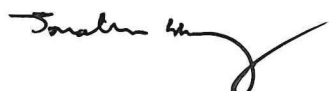
**Independent examiner's statement**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of FCCA which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Jonathan Cobley  
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25 May 2021

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**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		154,676	237,299	391,975	226,255
Other trading activities	2	13,501	-	13,501	31,772
Investment income	3	23	130	153	299
<b>Total</b>		<b>168,200</b>	<b>237,429</b>	<b>405,629</b>	<b>258,326</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
<b>Charitable Activities</b>					
		124,923	126,876	251,799	200,555
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<b>43,277</b>	<b>110,553</b>	<b>153,830</b>	<b>57,771</b>
Transfers between funds	10	(30,363)	30,363	-	-
Net movement in funds		12,914	140,916	153,830	57,771
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		33,227	54,214	87,441	29,670
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>46,141</b>	<b>195,130</b>	<b>241,271</b>	<b>87,441</b>

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**Balance Sheet  
31 December 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	7	24,417	-	24,417	24,209
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	8	1,220	-	1,220	1,667
Cash at bank		23,938	196,253	220,191	85,562
		<u>25,158</u>	<u>196,253</u>	<u>221,411</u>	<u>87,229</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(3,434)	(1,123)	(4,557)	(23,997)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>21,724</u>	<u>195,130</u>	<u>216,854</u>	<u>63,232</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>46,141</u>	<u>195,130</u>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>87,441</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>46,141</u>	<u>195,130</u>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>87,441</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	10				
Unrestricted funds				46,141	33,227
Restricted funds				195,130	54,214
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>241,271</u>	<u>87,441</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25 May 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



Rev H Spenceley - Trustee

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

#### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings                      - 20% on reducing balance

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Lettings	12,758	-	12,758	29,802
Fees including Weddings	743	-	743	1,970
	<u>13,501</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,501</u>	<u>31,772</u>

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	23	130	153	299
	<u>23</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>299</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2020 nor for the year ended 31 December 2019.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2020 nor for the year ended 31 December 2019.

**5. STAFF COSTS**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2020	2019
Governance	1	1
Charitable activities	9	8
	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.



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**5. STAFF COSTS - continued**

	2020 £	2019 £
Wages and salaries	112,819	86,358
Pension costs	3,506	2,260
Social security costs	1,379	383
	117,604 =====	89,001 =====

**6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	128,032	98,223	226,255
Other trading activities	31,772	-	31,772
Investment income	1	298	299
<b>Total</b>	<b>159,805</b>	<b>98,521</b>	<b>258,326</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable Activities	147,082	53,473	200,555
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>12,723</b>	<b>45,048</b>	<b>57,771</b>
Transfers between funds	(9,166)	9,166	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>3,557</b>	<b>54,214</b>	<b>57,771</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>29,670</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,670</b>

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**6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>33,227</b>	<b>54,214</b>	<b>87,441</b>
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

**7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Fixtures and fittings £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2020	88,734
Additions	<u>3,060</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>91,794</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 January 2020	64,525
Charge for year	<u>2,852</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>67,377</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 December 2020	<u>24,417</u>
At 31 December 2019	<u>24,209</u>

**8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2020 £	2019 £
Prepayments	<u>1,220</u>	<u>1,667</u>

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**9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2020	2019
	£	£
Payments on account	1,123	19,219
Other creditors	3,434	4,778
	<u>4,557</u>	<u>23,997</u>

**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/1/20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	33,227	43,277	(30,363)	46,141
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	54,214	110,553	30,363	195,130
	<u>87,441</u>	<u>153,830</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241,271</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	168,200	(124,923)	43,277
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	237,429	(126,876)	110,553
	<u>405,629</u>	<u>(251,799)</u>	<u>153,830</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			

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**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1/1/19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/19 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	29,670	12,723	(9,166)	33,227
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	-	45,048	9,166	54,214
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>29,670</u>	<u>57,771</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>87,441</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	159,805	(147,082)	12,723
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	98,521	(53,473)	45,048
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>258,326</u>	<u>(200,555)</u>	<u>57,771</u>

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**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	29,670	56,000	(39,529)	46,141
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	-	155,601	39,529	195,130
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>29,670</u>	<u>211,601</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241,271</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	328,005	(272,005)	56,000
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	335,950	(180,349)	155,601
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>663,955</u>	<u>(452,354)</u>	<u>211,601</u>

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**11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2020.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

	2020 £	2019 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	373,673	206,476
Gift aid	18,302	19,779
	<u>391,975</u>	<u>226,255</u>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Lettings	12,758	29,802
Fees including Weddings	743	1,970
	<u>13,501</u>	<u>31,772</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Deposit account interest	153	299
	<u>405,629</u>	<u>258,326</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		
	405,629	258,326
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Salaries	22,095	15,393
Denominational	58,410	78,413
Service and Service Expenses	917	1,775
Wedding and Occasional Offices	434	2,076
Church Maintenance	6,801	2,244
Cleaning	13,456	16,002
Utilities	6,732	9,236
Training & Pastoral Care	771	900
Pastoral, Food Bank, Care and Youth Services	127,249	54,905
	<u>236,865</u>	<u>180,944</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Other operating leases	4,709	10,713
Carried forward	4,709	10,713

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

	2020 £	2019 £
<b>Management</b>		
Brought forward	4,709	10,713
Postage and stationery	6,813	5,285
	<u>11,522</u>	<u>15,998</u>
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank charges	560	560
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,852	3,053
	<u>3,412</u>	<u>3,613</u>
Total resources expended	<u>251,799</u>	<u>200,555</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u><u>153,830</u></u>	<u><u>57,771</u></u>