

45000West End Chapel Fareham

(Registered charity number – 1141601)

Trustees Annual Report for the period from 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023

Reference and administration details:-

Charity's principal address: West End Chapel, St. Anne's Grove, Fareham, PO14 1JX

Trustees:

Paul Jeffrey Chaplin

Maurice Arthur Goodfellow

Edward John Powell

Malcolm Privett

William John Powell

Nigel Oram

Structure, governance and management:

The charity is a local Christian church which has existed on West End Estate, Fareham for upwards of 50 years. The Charity is now governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 22nd March 2011. Trustees must be appointed by a simple majority at a meeting of the Spiritual leadership of the church.

The leadership comprises three Elders and three Deacons all of whom are trustees and who meet separately in fulfilment of their duties, but also meet as a co-ordinating team every two months or more often, as needed. All six trustees comprise the 'Spiritual leadership' referred to in the Declaration of Trust.

The receipt and distribution of funds is handled by the Church Treasurer and an Assistant Treasurer and both are trustees of this Trust.

The charity is a local assembly of Christians with its roots based on the Open Brethren movement.

The trustees have considered the major risks facing the charity and have put in place policies to mitigate risk e.g. in relation to the proper stewardship of funds, including the operation of bank accounts, and in relation to child protection and fire risks.

Objectives and activities

The objects of the church are for the benefit of the public to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in the Declaration of Trust in such way and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time think fit, and to fulfil such other purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of the Trust in such way and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit.

The main activities undertaken by the church for the public benefit in relation to these objects in the period covered by this report have been regular public meetings for the worship of God, Gospel preaching, Bible teaching, and prayer meetings. Additionally, the church has operated specific groups and clubs. Also, the Church participates in the Food bank scheme by sending monthly donations to the local foodbank. The church, through its regular offerings, has also been able to assist in forwarding the Christian gospel in other parts of the world by the relief of people in need from 'natural' disasters, poverty or persecution and has also assisted with the financial support of missionaries and Christian workers overseas and in the UK.

The trustees consider that all the activities undertaken by West End Chapel Fareham were in furtherance of its charitable purposes for the public benefit. Furthermore, in carrying out these objects and activities the trustees have had regard to the guidance concerning public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Achievements:

The achievements of the charity in the period covered by this report included holding a weekly Good News Bible club for children, aged 4-11 years, which was attended by about a dozen to twenty local children on a Wednesday evening. On Friday evenings, the Charity runs a teenage group called Transformers with a membership which averages five to seven teenagers from the local area. The club is designed to keep young people off the streets and provide a supportive environment in which they play games, socialise and can receive spiritual help. A 'Little Sparrows' club for carers and toddlers is also conducted regularly, on a Friday morning. Also, Messy Church is held on the third Sunday, bimonthly, for children accompanied by parent or guardian. This is a free event which includes a meal.

Other special events to promote the Christian Gospel and benefit local people were held including Quiz nights and a harvest supper. The church is also used by local people for birthday parties for children up to junior school age. The church has also conducted several acts of public 'open-air' Gospel witness in the Town centre in the year under review. Once each quarter the church distributed the 'Good News' Christian paper to about 550 local homes. The local council also use the church for a polling station for local and general elections. The church also, has donated to the local food bank, in the form of food and monetary donations.

The church services are open to all and at the Sunday morning Bible teaching service about 30-40 adults were present most weeks to hear the Bible taught and the gospel of Jesus Christ preached. During the service the 'Junior church' has age appropriate Bible teaching in separate groups. On Sunday evenings a Bible study followed by a communion service is held. Every Thursday evening a prayer meeting is held in the church.

Financial Review:

The charity is permitted by another Trust to occupy and manage the Chapel premises, rent-free, but in return for paying for any necessary repairs and the running costs e.g. heating bills. The income during the year under review amounted to £32,512.64, which is from weekly offerings including gift aid, along with various gifts to church funds, fees for church hire, funds from church members for a church week end away and specific gifts for other Christian organisations supported by the church. The income was expended in the year in furthering the objects of the charity, except for £414.81 cash in hand and £38310.74 of which £10,000.00 was Hardship fund, £9,870.00 for new sound system.

Reserves:

The charity's principal source of funds is the offerings made each Sunday by those in the church fellowship or paid into church bank account by members on standing orders. The charity has been spending money on the West End Chapel premises in order to make that building more useful to the local community and the church itself as stated above. The church has no need to create other reserves currently, particularly because it does not employ any paid staff and all the work of the charity is carried on by church members acting as volunteers.

Declaration:

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed, on behalf of the charity's trustees,

William John Powell, Secretary to the Trustees

Dated -28th September 2023

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Receipts and Expenditure Accounts

6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023

RECEIPTS (£)			EXPENDITURE (£)		
Collections	£27130	28	Andrew Patching – Zambia	£2000	00
Refund of Income Tax on Covenants	£4130	25	Poul & Carol Joensen- N.T.M.(PNG)	£1200	00
Interest: Active Saver			Ananda & Grace- Malawi	£1200	00
Miscellaneous:			Gordon Curley-County Worker	£1500	00
Gift to Funds			Solomon Nathaniel-.Asian worker	£1400	00
Fees for hiring premises:	£45	00	Rwandan Orphanage	£450	00
Ukraine collection	£225	00	India Project	£420	00
Wed.Ladies meeting-donation for-	£30	00	Cleaning & Catering	£683	08
The Hiding Place Orph.in Albania			Electricity + Gas	£1081	51
Business Premium Account Interest	£47	11	Building Insurance	£866	63
Coll.For Turkey&Syria-Earthquake	£839	00	Maintenance	£4384	58
disaster			Lit./Corres./Stat./Publicity	£259	65
Donations to Church Funds	£16	00	Good News Paper	£324	00
Barclay's Bank-good will gift For	£50	00	Dom.&Gen.- cooker Ins.	£55	98
inconveniences			AIM International –CJ Bell-Uganda	£1200	00
			Transformers – Friday Youth Group	£260	40
			Goodnews Children ClubWednesday	£12	84
			Gift to Christian Aid	£100	00
			Lad. Wed.-Hiding Place Orph.gift	£30	00
			A. McKintosh - Gift	£600	00
			Thirty One Eight-Police checks	£145	00
			Ken White - gift	£250	00
			D. Olden - Gift	£120	00
			Gift to John Howarth	£250	00
			R. Abdoussalme- gift	£250	00
			Good News For Everyone - gift	£300	00
			Find a Church	£22	00
			MAF - gift	£600	00
			Sunday Teenage Class	£47	79
			Slavic Gospel Association - gift	£300	00
			Christian Worker's Relief Fund	£300	00
			T. Young - Gift	£100	00
			Bible Society - gift	£100	00
			Bank Charges	£12	50
			Albanian Orph.-The Hiding Place	£300	00
			Hampshire Regional Fellowship-gift	£300	00
			Ukraine- gift via Echoes International	£225	00
			Sound System	£1404	20
			Bible Camp	£85	00
			Echoes International - gift	£300	00
			Salt Mine Trust - gift	£250	00
			Pnet 4013817-2 – Internet connection	£288	34
			Water Rates	£139	02
			Junior Church	£23	00
			Christopher Rogers - gift	£390	00
			Day Light Prison Ministries - gift	£300	00
			Martin Girard - gift	£240	00
			John Aryton - gift	£200	00
			David & Hannah Sandall- gift-France	£250	00
			Neil Maddox - gift	£100	00
			Philip Lambert - gift	£300	00
			Messy Church	£411	90
			Turkey&Syria-Earthquake gift-Echoes	£2000	00
			Jonathan Newell - gift	£500	00
			CJ Bell -Gift	£300	00
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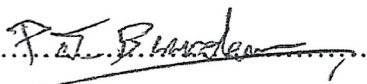
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			Speaker's Expenses	£150	00
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			Excess Receipts/Expenditure	£2680	22
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Cash Balance As At 5 th April 2023	
Business Premium Account : £31458.39 (£10,000. is Hardship Fund; £9870. for Sound System)	Total Balance at 6th April 2022: £ 36045.33
Community Account : £ 6852.35 (Including £3780. Messy Church)	Plus Excess of Receipts Over Expend. £ 2680.22
Cash : £ 414.81	See Auditor's Report Below
Total : £ 38725.55	Total Carried Forward : £ 38725.55

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 5th April 2023, set out over leaf,

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 and to prepare accounts which accord with those records and comply with the Charities Act 2011 have not been met; or
- (2) To which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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