



**Annual Report and Financial Statements
of the Church Council
For the year ended 31st December 2021**

Charity No 1141732

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REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF TRUSTEES

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Objectives of the Charity

The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution as a Charitable Trust. The charity's principal objectives are expressed in its Purpose Statement – *Living and sharing God's amazing love in Exmouth and beyond.*

Structure, Governance and Management

Christ Church, Exmouth is governed by a constitution adopted on the 6th March 2011 and is an Unincorporated Charity. All Church members are encouraged to attend the Annual Congregational Meeting where Churchwardens and Church Council members are elected to the Church Council. All Church Council members are Trustees. The Minister is an Ex Officio of the Church Council and is entitled to assume the position of Chair.

The Church Council has introduced financial controls to reduce the possibility of fraud and other irregularities. Financial information is presented at the quarterly meetings which enables the Church Council to monitor income and expenditure on a regular basis.

The Trustees who served during 2021 are:

- Bishop Josep Miquel Rosello Ferrer – Chair of Trustees
- Richard Glazebrook – People's Warden
- Peter Jeffery
- Mick Kendrick – Treasurer
- Jon Liggins – Minister's Warden
- Carolyn Losey (until 30st September 2021)
- Maggie Liggins
- Nicky Norris
- Viv Pearce

The Trustees normally meet once a month for the governance of the charitable assets of the Church; its financial affairs; approval of policies and the fulfilment of the objects of the Church; keeping in an appropriate state of repair and insuring to their full value against fire and other usual risks all the buildings of the Church. The Church Council has updated and approved new policies, according to the guidelines of the Charity Commission.

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The Church employs, or has employed, 3 part-time members of staff and 1 full-time:

- The Minister (full-time)
- An Administrator (part-time, until December 2021)
- A Director of Music (part time)
- A Cleaner (part-time)

Public benefit statement

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on their legal duty on public benefit, and are satisfied that the charity does indeed deliver that benefit. Due regard is paid to the guidance on public benefit when deciding on what new projects the charity should undertake.

Volunteers

The Trustees extend their grateful thanks to all the volunteers who work so hard in and for the whole community in many diverse ways. Without their efforts the work of the Church would not be possible.

Activities, Achievements and Performance

Christ Church, like everyone, has contended with the Covid pandemic and has adjusted its activities and aims as the year unfolded. However, it has throughout maintained its core values of being able to provide support, help and impact on and to the communities around it. The ways in which it has done this have altered but in the toughest year that many have faced, it has been able to provide help and support to those who needed it most.

On 4th May 2021, Christ Church, Exmouth, decided by a unanimous vote to discontinue its formal association with its previous denomination. This was the result of the unacceptable way in which the Free Church of England and Free Church of England Central Trust were being run, which has been the cause of a number of complaints, both from Christ Church Exmouth and others, to the Charity Commission. The mode of governance, worship and range of activities of Christ Church, Exmouth remain as they have been for a number of years past.

In September 2021, the Minister received the approval of the Churchwardens for a ten-week sabbatical after the pandemic.

The Church's regular Sunday Services and all other activities were significantly impacted by the Covid pandemic during the year when unable to meet in person. However, it took full advantage of its online presence and media developments to gather (albeit virtually) for worship, bible teaching and prayer. The Church is grateful to God for how this enabled it to engage with many more people, many of whom were new to the Church. However, it has since seen a decrease of Sunday Available Attendance to 64 people from 76 people in the previous year.

Life Groups have continued throughout Exmouth, sustaining relationships and engagement with the communities beyond Sunday meetings. It has also developed its "Pastoral Care" ministry enabling it to support many in the wider community. This has become part of the Church's core activity.

The Church continues to support Christian mission both locally as well as overseas with a particular focus on Africa and the UK.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Christ Church, Exmouth is dependent upon voluntary giving from the church family to pay for the overheads and expenses.

During the year total income receipts were £102,851, church activity payments were £87,021, giving a surplus for church activity of £15,830 for the year.

During the year, the church's financial resources were managed on a receipts and payments basis, in a single account with HSBC Bank. In 2021 the church's financial assets were managed in three funds, the Unrestricted General Fund, the Restricted Nehemiah Fund and the Restricted Music Director Fund, the latter being created in 2020.

Nehemiah Fund

The Reserved Fund named the 'Nehemiah Fund' was originally created to reserve the donated funds raised towards the costs incurred in bringing Rt. Rev'd. Josep Rosello and his family from San Paulo, Brazil in April 2019, for the Rt. Rev'd. Josep to serve as Minister of Christ Church, Exmouth. In addition, the funds were also raised to support the Rt. Rev'd. Josep's wider Ministry, which has been described as beyond that contained in his Contract of Employment of the 14th March 2019.

Music Director Fund

The purpose of the 'Music Director Restricted Fund' is for the retention of donations raised by the appointed Music Director of Christ Church, Exmouth. The exclusive purpose of this fund is to remunerate the Music Director.

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RESERVES POLICY

A Reserves Policy for 2021 was agreed by the Church Council in February 2021, which has affirmed the following statement.

'Our reserves remain healthy. Our total cash amounts held in unrestricted reserves at the year-end were £60,333. The Church Council holds reserves of £27,000 for the following reasons:

- To fulfil our obligations in the event of Christ Church having to close, this takes account of supporting the Minister, appointed in April 2019, for 4 months and other staff for 6 weeks.
- To enable the church to be closed in an orderly manner and any outstanding liabilities fulfilled.
- The budget for 2021 agreed by the Church Council included a £10,000 deficit, this arises from anticipated reduced receipts in 2021 because of the Covid-19 pandemic.
- To manage cash flow.

RISK ASSESSMENT

The policies with the Methodist Insurance Group provide adequate insurance cover for all the activities in which the Church Council is involved including matters such as employers and public liability. Policies are kept under regular review by the Church Council and new ones have been approved, according to the guidelines of the Charity Commission.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Incoming Resources, Receipts

Voluntary income is received by way of donations, gift aid and other activities and is accounted for when received. Tax refunds are also accounted for when received.

Resources Expended, Payments

Resources expended are accounted for on a cash basis.

Donation in Kind

The Church is fortunate in the level of active support it receives from volunteers. These volunteers spend a considerable amount of time and effort assisting with the work of the Church. It is not considered practical or meaningful to put a monetary value on this support but the Church Council offers a heartfelt "thank you" for it.

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Fixed Assets

Fixed assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives to write off the cost less residual value of the asset during the period of its use. The following rates of depreciation are used:

Equipment 25% straight line

Assets under £500 are not capitalised.

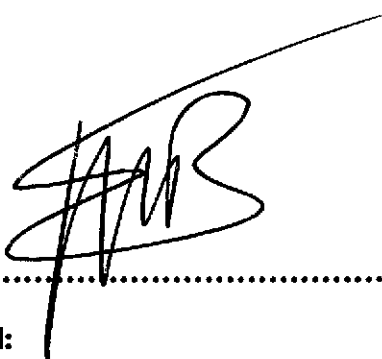
The costliest pieces of equipment are the organ, the multimedia projector, sound desk, speakers and other A/V equipment. None of this equipment has outstanding depreciation.

Taxation

The Church is a charity and is not subject to taxation.

ELECTED MEMBERS REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No remuneration was paid to any elected members during the period.


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Signed:

24/10/2022
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Date

Rt Rev'd Josep Rosello (Minister and Chairman)

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES							
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021							
	Note	Unrestricted General Fund	Restricted Nehemiah Fund	Restricted Music Director	Restricted Children's Fund	2021	2020
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Regular Giving	a	59,752	4,163	863		64,778	59,336
Non-recurring donations and appeals	b	15,587	900	2,827		19,314	29,223
Investment Income	c	2,659				2,659	3,191
Income from Church Activities	d	2,608				2,608	4,378
Rental income from Manse	e	13,048				13,048	12,276
Other Income	f	445				445	706
Total Incoming Resources		94,099	5,063	3,689	0	102,851	109,109
RESOURCES EXPENDED							
Cost of Minister	g	24,086	6,585			30,671	29,502
Cost of Housing Minister	h	13,300				13,300	13,200
Tithes, Donations & Discretionary Fund	i	7,175				7,175	11,557
Payroll	j	11,672		7,285		18,957	11,449
FCE Quota	k	0				0	2,130
Governance	l	6,207				6,207	3,998
Expenses	m	10,711				10,711	10,787
Total Resources Expended		73,151	6,585	7,285	0	87,021	82,623
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources		20,948	-1,522	-3,596	0	15,830	26,486
Balance b/fwd 1 January 2021		60,333	18,254	16,380	0	94,968	31,240
Balance c/fwd 31 December 2021		81,281	16,733	12,784	0	110,798	68,482

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSETS & LIABILITIES					
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021					
	Note	2021		2020	
		£'s		£'s	
Fixed Assets					
Equipment	Page 6*	0		0	
Cash at Bank and in Hand					
HSBC Main Account ~688		110,798		94,968	
TOTAL NET ASSETS		110,798		94,968	
Represented by:					
Unrestricted General Fund		81,281		60,333	
Restricted Nehemiah Fund		16,723		18,254	
Restricted Children's Fund		0		0	
Restricted Music Director Fund		12,785		16,380	
TOTAL FUNDS		110,789		94,968	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
None					


 Jon Liggins
 Church Warden
 On behalf of the Church Council

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021							
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted		
		General	Nehemiah	Music	Children's	2021	2020
		Fund	Fund	Director	Fund		
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES							
a. REGULAR GIVING							
	Offertory Plate	2,338				2,338	2,465
	Tithes (Gift Aided)	36,657	2,400	650		39,707	33,361
	Tithes (Non Gift Aided)	10,981	1,200			12,181	13,237
	Gift Aid Claimed	9,776	563	163		10,501	10,223
b. NON-RECURRING DONATIONS AND APPEALS							
	Donations	15,006	720	2,761		18,487	28,126
	Gift Aid Claimed	583	180	115		878	1,147
c. INVESTMENT INCOME							
	Exmouth Trust held by FCE	2,659				2,659	3,191
d. INCOME FROM CHURCH ACTIVITIES							
	Hall Lettings	1,098				1,098	1,270
	Outreach Events	1,511				1,511	1,198
	Children's & Youth Work	0				0	242
	Church Activities	445				445	1,668
e. RENTAL INCOME FROM MANSI							
	The church lets a residential property that was historically used as a home by the Church Minister, the Deed is held by the FCE	13,048				13,048	12,276
f. OTHER INCOME							
	Income from Furlough payments	0				0	706

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021						
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted		
	General	Nehemiah	Music	Children's	2021	2020
	Fund	Fund	Director	Fund		
RESOURCES EXPENDED	£	£	£	£	£	£
g. COST OF MINISTER						
Salary	20,150	6,000			26,150	25,698
Expenses	1,179	83			1,262	791
Relocation	0	502			502	0
Utilities for Rented Accomodation	2,758				2,758	3,013
h. COST OF HOUSING MINISTER						
Cost of Home Rental	13,300				13,300	13,200
i. TITHES and DONATIONS						
Tithes (Open Doors £1,805, CC Exeter £1,650, Haig's & Crow /Malawi £920, South America £844)	5,120				5,120	4,575
FCE South America	0				0	6,360
Other Donations (Open Door £121)	121				121	0
Ministers Discretionary Fund	1,934				1,934	453
j. PAYROLL						
Staffing Cost	11,672		7,285		18,957	11,449
k. FCE QUOTA						
General & Diocesan Quota	0				0	2,130
l. GOVERNANCE						
Payroll, Bookkeeping, Ind. Examinatio	744				744	622
Insurance and CCLI	3,191				3,191	3,141
Health and Safety	1,582				1,582	115
Safeguarding	689				689	120
m. EXPENSES						
Visiting Speakers	100				100	156
Church Activities	1,219				1,219	316
Office Expenses	58				58	431
Leadership Expenses	0				0	
AV Equipment	298				298	1,253
Publicity	633				633	601
Children's and Youth Work	0				0	1,193
Outreach Events	1,585				1,585	866
Catering	192				192	0
Broadmead Maintenance	298				298	548
Church Maintenance	3,564				3,564	2,727
Utilities	1,649				1,649	2,259
Others (inc. £623 Legal Fees)	1,115				1,115	606

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT 2021
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL
CHRIST CHURCH EXMOUTH**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Christ Church, Exmouth for the year ended 31st December 2021.

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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no matter in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed

Date

Name

Relevant professional qualification

Address