

## FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND CONVOCATION CHARITY (1143120)

### ANNUAL REPORT 2020

The Convocation (composed of bishops, presbyters, deacons and lay representatives appointed according to the Constitution, and in their capacity as Trustees) met on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021, via Zoom, to discharge its responsibilities.

Reports were received detailing how the various office holders, committees and local congregations had fulfilled the charity's object of advancing the Christian faith according to the principles and practices of the Free Church of England otherwise called the Reformed Episcopal Church. These were debated and accepted.

The Treasurer presented the accounts for 2020 which were agreed and accepted. The Trustees also agreed a budget and quota for the coming year.

Charity Registration No. 1143120

**THE FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**

**OTHERWISE CALLED**

**THE REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

**BK Plus Limited  
Accountants  
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**FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND -  
ADMINISTRATION**

<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b><u>2020</u> £</b>	<b><u>2019</u> £</b>
Balance brought forward	26,456	25,209
National Savings	211	210
FCE Central Trust dividends	13,123	9,842
Transfers from Diocese	1,616	850
	<hr/> <b>41,406</b>	<hr/> <b>36,111</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Subscriptions to Churches Together	1,100	1,000
Subscriptions to Free Churches Group	-	444
Subscriptions to / Thirtyone:eight (Safeguarding)	215	262
Finance Management costs	328	246
Accountancy charges	420	420
General Secretary's office costs	5,769	5,864
Honoraria - 6 people	7,800	7,800
Misc.	339	-6,381
Balance carried forward	25,435	26,456
	<hr/> <b>41,406</b>	<hr/> <b>36,111</b>

# FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND QUOTA - GENERAL FUND

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Balance brought forward	- 1,082	-
Donations	360	169
Quotas	13,000	17,500
Overseas quotas	-	-
Other misc. income	25	-
Gift Aid	-	-
	<u>13,385</u>	<u>17,669</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Convocation	-	6,622
Widows	320	80
Outreach Donations	-	1,200
General Misc	-	698
Council meetings (3)	2,616	5,735
Finance Committee meetings (2)	-	249
Bishop's meetings (3)	-	573
Other meetings	63	94
Transferred to Training Account	2,000	-
Transferred to Publicity and Publications Account	2,000	3,500
Transfer to Church planting (Tithing)	1,339	-
Balance carried forward	5,048	- 1,082
	<u>13,385</u>	<u>17,669</u>

# FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND - PUBLICITY AND PUBLICATION FUND

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Balance brought forward	17,135	3,499
Bookroom Sales	320	168
Transfer from Prayer book Fund	-	12,030
Pay Pal Sales	837	-
Donations	-	-
Transfer from Quota General Fund	2,000	3,500
	<u>20,292</u>	<u>19,197</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Printing of year books	-	-
Cost of internet	146	562
Pay Pal Fees and Postage	216	-
Other publication costs	-	-
50 Copies of "Updated FCE History"	-	1,500
Balance carried forward	<u>19,930</u>	<u>17,135</u>
	<u>20,292</u>	<u>19,197</u>

**FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND – PRAYER  
BOOK FUND**

	<u>2020</u> £	<u>2019</u> £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Balance brought forward	-	12,030
Transfer from Quota General Fund	-	-
Sales		
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	-	12,030
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Transfer to Publicity and Publications account	-	12,030
Balance carried forward	-	-
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	-	12,030

**FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND – MISSIONARY  
FUND**

	<u>2020</u> £	<u>2019</u> £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Balance brought forward		
Collections at Convocation	-	340
Donations from churches		
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	-	340
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Donations to :	-	340
Donations to :	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-
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	-	340



## FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND - TRAINING

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Balance brought forward	-	-
Transfer from Quota General Fund	2,000	-
	<u>2,000</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Fees -	-	-
Fees -	-	-
Balance carried forward	2,000	-
	<u>2,000</u>	<u>-</u>

## FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND – CONVOCATION FUND

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Contribution towards Convocation Hospitality		
Churches	-	5,820
Central Trust	-	1,108
Missionary collections	-	340
Contribution from Quota - General Fund	-	6,622
	<u>-</u>	<u>13,890</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Convocation Hospitality	-	11,901
Travelling expenses	-	1,619
Printing and incidentals	-	30
Transfer to Missionary Fund	-	340
	<u>-</u>	<u>13,890</u>

# **FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND - CHURCH PLANTING FUND**

	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Donation from Central Trust	1,500	-
Balance brought forward	-	-
Transfer from Quota - General Fund	1,339	-
	<u>2,839</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Church planting at:-		
Balance carried forward	2,839	-
	<u>2,839</u>	<u>-</u>

# **FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND - EVANGELISM**

	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Balance brought forward		
Donation from Central Trust	1,500	-
	<u>1,500</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Payments towards	-	
Balance carried forward	1,500	-
	<u>1,500</u>	<u>-</u>



# **FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND – BALANCE SHEET**

	<u>2020</u> £	<u>2019</u> £
Balances as at 31st December		
Administration Fund	25,435	26,456
Quota - General Fund	5,048	- 1,082
Publicity and publication fund	19,930	17,135
Missionary Fund	-	-
Training Account	2,000	-
Church Planting Fund	2,839	-
Evangelism Account	1,500	-
Pastors pound	-	1,322
	<hr/> 56,751 <hr/>	<hr/> 43,831 <hr/>
These are represented by:		
Lloyds Bank Ltd	15,212	14,052
Pay Pal Account	621	
National Savings - Investment account	5,662	5,451
National Savings - Bond	15,000	15,000
Petty Cash - General Secretary	- 153	-2,849
Petty Cash - General Treasurer	- 160	-392
Overseas Accounts - Russia	- 214	148
Overseas accounts - Brazil	362	-
Sundry Debtors	22,863	14,976
Deposits	1,103	1,103
Creditors	- 3,545	-3,658
	<hr/> 56,751 <hr/>	<hr/> 43,831 <hr/>

2. Under Charity Commission Schemes in connection with the sales of certain Churches, The Free Church of England Central Trust hold investments, the income from which is payable to the General Fund. On 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 the value of these investments, including cash, was £401,799 (2019: £375,997).

**ACCOUNTANTS REPORT TO**  
**THE FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**

We have prepared for your approval the financial information of The Free Church of England for the year ended 31 December 2020 set out on pages 1 to 4 from the entity's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given to us.

You have approved the financial information for the year ended 31 December 2020 and have acknowledged your responsibility for it, for the appropriateness of the financial reporting framework adopted and for providing all information and explanations necessary for its compilation.

This report is made solely to you, in accordance with our terms of engagement. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval and the financial information of The Free Church of England and state those matters that we have agreed to state to you in this report. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than you for our work or for this report.

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Accountants

Date:

We approve the financial information, set out on pages 1 to 4. We acknowledge our responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework and for providing Baldwins (Walsall) Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for its compilation.

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Bishop Primus

General Secretary

General Treasurer