

SUNDON PARK BAPTIST CHURCH ANNUAL REPORT 2020

At the beginning of the year 2020, the Church continued to host a range of community events such as indoor bowls and Keep Fit, Tots and Mums, Rhyme Time and Singing Café which all took place until March 2020.

In March 2020, the church began to make regular adaptations to respond to the restrictions of the Covid-19 pandemic.

On 27th March 2020, a letter was sent to all church members and friends informing them of the suspension of public worship and access to the church until the Covid-19 restrictions were lifted. Sunday Podcast was prepared and sent out by Pastor Charmaine to all church members and friends.

In April 2020, Sunday services started to be held virtually via Zoom. Weekly Sundays podcast was sent to members and friends who were not able to access Zoom.

On 23rd April 2020, a letter was sent to all church members stating that our church meetings have been postponed until further notice due to Covid-19, and that members will be notified of any important decision that may require their approval. The church leadership began to meet remotely via Zoom and make decisions in the best interest of the church and community. Church meetings restarted in September 2020.

In June 2020, the church was opened for Private Prayer time for individuals and households.

The church services restarted in the Newns Building on 23rd August 2020. It was later suspended again in November 2020 and reopened finally in December 2020.

Beacon Groups

Beacon Groups met on the phone and via Zoom. Beacons of prayer group which started on 24 April 2020 met via Zoom every Friday to seek God together as well as praying for our community, country, congregation and wider issues. The Beacons of Prayer initially began in the period of Lent 2020 and continued for the rest of the year.

2020 Events

The events that were held during the year included a Harvest Quiz evening, Harvest Gift Day and Outdoor Carol singing/handing out gifts to the community held outside the church. Our Carol by Candlelight was held virtually via Zoom streaming to Facebook and YouTube.

Breakfast Battery Boxes

In December 2020, the church began an outreach programme called Breakfast Battery Boxes in association with Friends of Leagrave Park to provide Breakfast Battery Boxes for families in need of healthy breakfast options over the holidays. The Breakfast Battery Boxes took place on 21st to 24th December 2020 and 29th to 31st of December 2020. We supported 35 households equating to 125 people.

Church Membership

On 18th October 2020, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Banson-Idun were welcomed into church membership.

Bereavement

On 11th March 2020, one of our church members, Betty Fraser sadly passed away. Betty's funeral service held in the church took place on 25th March 2020. Betty was a blessing to the church and her death was a great loss.

Leaders of God

Leaders of God which became fully operational in June 2018 continued to increase in number. However, classes were unable to take place after the month of March 2020 owing to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Pastoral Care Groups

The Pastoral Care Groups have continued to function by staying in touch with regular attendees by telephone as well as giving prayer support. This work has been especially important during the year 2020 because most of our members were experiencing isolation.

In March 2020, each deacon was assigned a group of people to keep in touch with and support with help from the Pastoral Team.

Calling a Minister

On 27th September 2020, the church members unanimously voted to call Pastor Charmaine Mhlanga as our Church Minister.

Christmas

During the Christmas period, the church supported Keech Hospice by having some of its members purchase a Christmas table arrangement made by Lesley Sturdy. The proceeds from the sale were given to Keech Hospice. We also delivered Christmas cards to the whole estate inviting people to our Christmas services. For the first time our Carols By Candlelight service was held virtually via Zoom.

Church Services

In 2020, we had more new people who visited the church over the year and others who regularly joined our services via Zoom. Some of whom continued to regularly attend our Sunday worship.

The services that were held in the church in 2020 had been subject to all the government guidance on the necessary health and safety precautions.

Through the year 2020, we were always finding ways to put our love into action by adapting to different ways to positively impact our community and by learning

new things we can take forward with us in our shared mission as a church to be a beacon of hope.



SUNDON PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
FINANCIAL STATEMENT (INCLUDING RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOU

GENERAL RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Receipts

Voluntary Giving
Income Tax recovered on gifts
Raised for other causes
Receipts from Church & Community Events
Gift day
Investment income/bank interest
Other Receipts
Total Receipts

Payments

Charitable Activities
Grants to Other Causes
Cost of Generating Funds
Administration
Other Payments
Total Payments

Net Receipts/(Payments)
Transfers between Funds
Cash funds brought forward at 31 December 2019
Cash funds carried forward at 31 December 2020/2019

THE BEACON PROJECT RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Receipts

Payments

Net Receipts/(Payments)
Transfers between Funds
Cash funds brought forward at 31 December 2019
Cash funds carried forward at 31 December 2020/2019

INTS) FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2020

Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £
	35,880	0	
	6,304		372
	0		
	0		
	52		
	0		
	<hr/> 42,237	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 372
	23,790		
		4,320	500
	0		
	757		
	100		
	<hr/> 24,647	<hr/> 4,320	<hr/> 500
	<hr/> 17,590	<hr/> (4,320)	<hr/> (129)
2	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 0
	36,048	0	0
	<hr/> 53,638	<hr/> (4,320)	<hr/> (129)

	29,801	0	101
	38,674	0	0
	<hr/> (8,873)	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 101
2	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 0
	28,804	0	1,251
	<hr/> 19,931	<hr/> 0	<hr/> 1,351

2020	2019
£	£
35,880	34,789
6,304	6,775
372	91
0	1,385
0	0
52	121
0	43
42,609	43,204
23,790	28,375
4,820	4,092
0	0
757	1,412
100	150
29,467	34,029
13,142	9,175
0	0
36,048	26,873
49,190	36,048
29,902	41,728
38,674	62,471
(8,772)	(20,743)
0	0
30,055	50,797
21,283	30,054

SUNDON PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

Notes

Cash Funds

Santander
Santander
Baptist Union Deposit Account
Christian Aid Foundation (cash account)
CAF Gold account
CAF Gold Client account

Represented by
Beacon Project Account
General Fund

Other monetary assets

Non-monetary assets held for investment purposes

Held for Church's own use

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Freehold properties known as:
Sundon Park Baptist Church
Furniture, fixtures & fittings, equipment
News Building (community hall)
Furniture, fixtures & fittings, equipment
The Manse, 244 Sundon Park Road LU3 3AL

Liabilities

Estimated Electrical Consumption
Outstanding balance on Baptist Union loan

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The attached notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance

- 2 The associated fund movements are detailed on a separate sheet
- 3 Property held for the Church's own use consist of a suite of Church Manse situated behind the church. Each is included on the basis of The modular 2 storey church/community hall (Newns Building) is no
- 4 As reported previously, a misunderstanding over a charge of electr resulted in the Church electricity meter being delisted. Despite bo be rectified (and despite at least annual reminders), no action has since January 2006, provision has been made to cover the unlikely

Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020 £
			34,282.08
			1492.23
			13415.61
			0
			0
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	49,190
			21,283
			49,190
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	70,473
			0
			0
		1,056,835	1,056,835
		57,043	57,043
		1,035,909	1,035,909
		16,339	16,339
		<u>197,241</u>	<u>197,241</u>
		<u>2,363,367</u>	<u>2,363,367</u>
			14,000
			<u>286,871</u>
			300,871

DECEMBER 2020

with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2015)

buildings including one hall and its contents, together with a detached
f the current insurance valuation
ow complete and in full operation.

icity supplier to the Manse (arranged and paid for by the then Minister)
th of the companies concerned confirming in writing that the mistake would
yet been taken to reinstate the meter. As no electricity has been billed
eventuality of a supply company seeking to claim retrospectively.

2019
£
21,193
1,483
13,372
4,193
24,811
1,050
<u>66,102</u>
30,054
<u>36,048</u>
<u>36,048</u>
1,045,345
56,423
1,024,646
16,161
190,570
<u>2,333,145</u>
14,000
<u>305,879</u>
<u>319,879</u>



Detail of Movements Between Funds

Date	Reason for Movement
	Grants to other causes

General Fund			Development Fund
<i>Unrestricted</i>	Grants to Other Causes <i>Designated</i>	Raised for Other Causes <i>Restricted</i>	<i>Designated</i>
-4,820.00	4,820.00		
(4,820.00)	4,820.00	0.00	0.00

Building Fund	
<i>Designated</i>	<i>Restricted</i>
0.00	0.00

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DE

Receipts and Payments Analysis

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GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Receipts

Voluntary Giving

Weekly Offerings

Donations and other voluntary income

Gift Day

Income tax recovered on gifts

Raised for other causes

Receipts from Church & Community Events

Generated funds

Investment receipts/bank interest

Other Receipts

Total Receipts

Payments

Charitable Activities

Public Worship

Cost of Pastorate

Upkeep of Manse

Maintenance

Council Tax

Buildings Insurance

Pastoral Care

Church & Community Events

Upkeep of Church premises

Utilities

Maintenance & cleaning

Insurance

Youth & Children's Work

Conferences & Training

Cost of generating funds

Administration

Telephone

Stationery

Licences & Subscriptions

Website

Other Payments

Grants to Other Causes

Total Payments

Net Receipts/(Payments)

Transfers between Funds

Cash funds brought forward at 31 December 2019

Cash funds carried forward at 31 December 2020/19	
THE BEACON PROJECT RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT	
Receipts	
Grants & Donations Received	
Payments	
Net Receipts/(Payments)	
Transfers between Funds	
Cash funds brought forward at 31 December 2019	
Cash funds carried forward at 31 December 2020/2019	

CEMBER 2020 (continued)

Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
35,880			35,880
0			0
0	0		0
6,304			6,304
		372	372
0			0
52			52
0			0
42,237	0	372	42,609
100			100
16,594			16,594
0			0
1,387			1,387
294			294
0			0
792			792
1,898			1,898
235			235
0			0
0			0
2,490			2,490
0			0
0			0
71			71
481			481
205			205
100			100
	4,320	500	4,820
24,647	4,320	500	29,467
17,590	(4,320)	(129)	13,142
0	0	0	0
36,048	0	0	36,048

53,638	(4,320)	(129)	49,190
29,801	0	101	29,902
38,674	0	0	38,674
(8,873)	0	101	(8,772)
	0	0	0
28,804	0	1,251	30,055
19,931	0	1,351	21,283

Total 2019	
34,789	
0	
0	
6,775	
91	
1,385	
121	
43	
43,204	
513	
16,715	
104	
1,265	
284	
529	
1,066	
1,901	
1,263	
(50)	
0	
4,785	
0	
0	
668	
488	
256	
150	
4,092	
34,029	
9,175	
0	
26,873	

36,048
41,728
62,471
(20,743)
0
50,797
30,054

SUNDON PARK BAPTIST CHURCH (Registered Charity No. 1144181)
REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 1 to 4.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees And Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(a) of the Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis Of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Direction given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records.

It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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:

- (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
- (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act

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.

Signature



Date 19/11/2021

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