

Maghull Baptist Church - Trustees Report 2023

Maghull Baptist Church Hall Lane Maghull Liverpool L31 3DY

Charity Commission Registration Number – 1144187

Trustees.

No Minister at this time, Mark Shallcross (Lead Elder) George Bulfield (Treasurer) Colin Wright, Roy Coleman, Ian Taylor and Jan Halksworth.

1) Activities and Objectives.

The Church means members of the charitable unincorporated association known as Maghull Baptist Church. The principle purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world. In fulfilling its purpose the Church will engage in a range of activities either on its own or with others that will vary from time to time with activities being initiated, expanded, or closed, as appropriate. The activities may include but are not restricted to:

- Regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching;
- Baptism as defined in the Baptist Union's Declaration of Principle;
- The Communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month;
- Evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally;
- The teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people;
- Nurture and growth of Christian disciples;
- Education and training for Christian and Community service;
- Giving and encouraging pastoral care, supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the United Kingdom and abroad;
- Encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians

2) Appointment of Trustees

Trustees include all Deacons and Elders. The Church Secretary and Church Treasurer shall be appointed from those who hold the office of Deacon. The Deacons function shall be the administration of temporal affairs including finance, property, stewarding, legal matters and support of the Eldership in the oversight of the Church. The Church Members meeting will appoint Charity Trustees to be responsible for the governance of the Church and where there is a Minister that person is a Charity Trustee because of their role and responsibilities. Subject to any specific or general directions of the Church Members' Meeting the control management and administration of the Church shall be by the Charity Trustees. Charity Trustees will be chosen from among the Church Members with the maximum number of Charity Trustees being agreed from time to time by the Church Members' Meeting. The Church Members' Meeting shall arrange for the appointment of a Church Secretary and Church

Treasurer (or equivalents) who shall by the nature of their responsibilities, be Charity Trustees. During 2023 the existing trustees remained the same.

3) Achievements and Performance.

The Church has continued to deliver its core activities based around Sunday Worship and has continued to focus on a range of activities on supporting the local community. Regular weekly activities include a range of youth clubs as well as the Focus Group for senior citizens which provides a lunch and a range of social activities and continue to thrive. The parents & toddlers group also continues to see new parents and carers taking advantage of a range of social activities. The Church Bridge café is open to the community and has delivered a place where local people can meet and socialise. The café currently opens on a Friday morning and is staffed by volunteers from the Church. There is now a regular set of customers from the local community ranging from older people who come to socialise, through to parents and guardians who drop their children off at the school which neighbours the Church, as well as members of the church. The Church employs a part-time family worker and this role has continued to make connections with families and build support networks with other local organisations such as the food bank. The role is primarily focussed on building relationships with families attending the various midweek meetings including youth clubs and the Bridge Café. The family worker has continued to organise a number of family orientated community activities to give opportunities for local people to socialise together. . During the past year the family worker has established a number of social activities labelled as “Come, Laugh, Eat” which has provided different social activities for local families. The family worker left her post in April 2023 and the position remains vacant. The MADUKES Ukulele band has continued to grow and attracts around 40 members from the local community to its weekly practice on a Friday evening. Over the past year the band has been invited to perform at a number of venues and have raised funds for various charities. The relationship with Edge Hill University based in Ormskirk has continued, with the Church leaders and Members regularly invited to speak at the University. The Church regularly plays host to a group of up to 15 students that attend the Sunday services as well as being provided with lunch and other social activities. The Church runs a large knit and natter group that meets fortnightly for both social and spiritual gain. People from the local community attend this event. Running alongside this event is a men’s gathering called Natter Jacks that meets in a local café attached to a garden centre. This event attracts both church members and people who enjoy good company, a few quizzes and spiritual gain.

The table tennis club has continued to attract new members of the community, joining church members in these activities. The Church Walking Group has continued to meet on the first Saturday of each month and is open to the community and is regularly attended by 20 members, the links with the U3A group that also meets at the Church has continued to be strengthened with a number of the members belonging to both groups. The Church has continued to support the local foodbank both through donations of food and other items and also through Members of the Church volunteering as staff members. During the

past year a number of Church Members have continued to volunteer with members from neighbouring churches to provide refreshments and a place for people to sit and meet at a weekly car boot sale that runs throughout the summer in the local area. The activity is called "Church without walls". A number of Members have also continued to support activities and charities abroad including the To Kenya with Love (TKWL). Through TKWL the Church has continued to support a school based in Kisumu, Kenya. The Church has also continued to support a number of projects in Moldova, Eastern Europe through a sister church based in Dancu Moldova and through a partner charity, Breadline. The Church organises a number of community activities to raise funds for the community in Dancu including a sponsored car wash and an annual fundraising concert. The University of the Third Age (U3A) continues to be based at the Church providing a wide range of activities for the over 55's throughout Maghull and Lydiate. The group continues to be one of the largest in the North West with over 1000 members. The church hosts regular U3A activities including IT groups and table tennis sessions. 5) Financial Review A full set of audited accounts have been submitted for review with this report. The Church also allows a local wind orchestra numbering over 50 members to use the building on a Tuesday night for rehearsals.

- 4) A full set of audited accounts have been submitted for review with this report.

John Brocken.

Trustee.

Maghull Baptist Church.

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Registered Charity No 1144187

Financial statement for the year ending 31 December 2023 Church Account

	Note	2023	2022
Receipts			
General offerings		79,871	66,685
Tax Recovered : Gift Aid Donations		14,873	12,571
Donations and Other Income	2	9,733	43,166
Raised for other causes	3	9,970	9,883
Manse Rent		8,589	9,912
		<u>123,036</u>	<u>142,217</u>
Payments			
Stipend and Expenses	4	0	0
Manse Expenses	5	11,359	4,725
Church Maintenance	6	65,957	21,336
Youth Work	7	672	252
Evangelism	8	380	990
Mission Support	11	23,205	23,671
Administration	9	5,849	6,862
Caring Fund Gifts		76	166
Other Staff	10	27,659	25,250
Minibus Expenses		1,694	1,741
Pension Deficit		12	2,193
Other Expenses	12	19,166	2,156
		<u>156,030</u>	<u>89,342</u>
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		(32,994)	52,875
Transfers from Investment A/C			
Transfers to Investment A/C			
Transfers from Deposit A/C		18,119	2,940
Transfers to Deposit A/C		0	(35,572)
Surplus/(deficit) for year retained in Current A/C		<u>(14,875)</u>	<u>20,243</u>
Balance brought forward 2022		3,077	21,524
Balance carried forward 2023		<u>(11,798)</u>	<u>3,077</u>

Designated Specified External Organisations

Receipts			
Mission and Harvest		<u>9,970</u>	<u>6,655</u>
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Payments			
Mission and Harvest	11	<u>23,205</u>	<u>3,655</u>
		<u>23,205</u>	<u>3,655</u>
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		(13,235)	3,000
Balance brought forward 2022		3,000	0
Balance carried forward 2023		<u>(10,235)</u>	<u>3,000</u>

Barclays Deposit Accounts

	Note	2023	2022
Receipts			
From Current A/C		0	35,572
Deposit A/C 1 - Interest		578	36
Deposit A/C 2 - Interest		1	
		<u>579</u>	<u>35,608</u>
Payments			
To Current A/C		<u>18,119</u>	
		18,119	
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		(17,540)	520
Balance brought forward 2022		<u>62,627</u>	<u>18,352</u>
Balance carried forward 2023		45,087	18,872

BU Corporation Deposit A/C

	Note	2023	2022
Receipts			
From Current A/C			
Investment A/C Interest		<u>469</u>	<u>50</u>
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Payments			
To Current A/C		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		0	0
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		469	50
Balance brought forward 2022		<u>15,781</u>	<u>15,459</u>
Balance carried forward 2023		<u>16,250</u>	<u>15,509</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at December 2023

	Note	2023	2022
Assets			
Bank Balances			
Current A/C		5,441	3,077
Deposit A/C 1		45,018	18,872
Deposit A/C 2		<u>69</u>	
		<u>50,528</u>	<u>21,949</u>
BU Corporation Deposit A/C		16,250	15,509
		<u>66,778</u>	<u>37,458</u>
Non Monetary Assets	13	2,150,448	2,150,448

Liabilities

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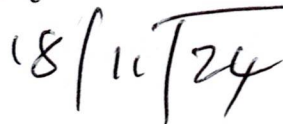
The statement of assets and liabilities set out on pages 1 to 2 relating to the year ending 31st December 2020, are as approved by all the Trustees

Signed by :

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G Bulfield Church Treasurer

Date :

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Notes to the Accounts

- 1 Basis of accounts: These accounts have been prepared on a 'receipts and payments basis' and accord with S42(3) Charities Act 1993

		2023	2022
2	Donations and Other income		
	From U3A	6,225	2,046
	Other Donations	3,488	1,807
	Furlough Grant	-	12,634
	Other Income	20	98
		<u>9,733</u>	<u>16,585</u>
3	Raised for other causes		
	Moldova	4,633	35
	TKWL	3,015	700
	BMS	332	-
	Gift Day	1,991	-
	Gifts - Parrs	-	435
	Legacy		5,000
		<u>9,970</u>	<u>6,170</u>
4	Ministers Stipend and Expenses		
	Stipend	-	22,455
	Church Pension Contributions	-	5,784
	Expenses	-	256
		<u>-</u>	<u>28,495</u>
5	Manses Expenses		
	Council Tax/Water Rates	-	2,368
	Repairs & Renewals	10,535	-
	Telephone	533	751
	Gas & Electricity	292	1,079
		<u>11,359</u>	<u>4,197</u>
6	Church Maintenance		
	Heat Light & Water	-	4,656
	Repairs & Renewals	60,046	9,182
	Church Cleaning	5,911	5,176
		<u>65,957</u>	<u>19,014</u>
7	Youth Work		
	Knock		
	SS/Materials/Books	-	10
	B Tales	-	400
	Urban Saints	672	469
		<u>672</u>	<u>880</u>

8	Evangelism		
	Worship	-	773
	Speakers	380	170
	Community Events	-	360
		<u>380</u>	<u>1,303</u>
9	Administration		
	General	4,253	6,231
	Membership Fees	1,596	1,950
		<u>5,849</u>	<u>8,181</u>
10	Other Staff		
	Admin	7,841	6,828
	Family Worker	18,936	11,013
	Family Worker Expenses	882	842
		<u>27,659</u>	<u>18,683</u>
11	Mission Support		
	From Current A/C	-	
	BMS	5,308	4,900
	Home Mission Fund	4,492	4,900
	Breadline	6,376	2,535
	Other	3,030	-
	BMS		1,750
	Home Mission Fund		170
	TKWL	3,999	1,700
		<u>23,205</u>	<u>15,955</u>

The main recipients of this support have been The Baptist Missionary Society, Home Mission Fund and Breadline

12	Other Expenses		
	Church Expenses	15,449	
	Events	2,035	
	Misc	1,683	
		<u>3,717</u>	<u>-</u>

- 13 Non-Monetary Assets
- The Church is the beneficial owner (subject to the relevant TRUSTS) of the following assets, the legal title to which is held by the Churches Custodian Trustee, The North West Baptist Association

	<i>Insurance Values</i>	
Maghull Baptist Church, Hall Lane, Maghull	1,823,837	1,823,837
Contents of Church	94,123	94,123
76 Northway, Maghull	232,488	232,488
	<u>2,150,448</u>	<u>2,150,448</u>

14 Liabilities at 31st December
 Administration

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Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees and Members of the Maghull Baptist Church

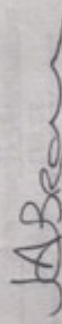
The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts, they consider that the audit requirements of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) do not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedure specified in the General Direction g)

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

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 in accordance with Section 41 of the Act, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the account
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Signed :



Name : Jenny Brocken