

BUCKSKIN EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1145653

Details

Other names	BEC
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	07893445
Registered	2012-01-27
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS ("OBJECTS") FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT ARE TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS APPEARING IN THE FIRST SCHEDULE HERETO IN BASINGSTOKE AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY 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 CHARITY.

Activities: 2 Worship services each Sunday together with activities for children and youth. Weekday activities for all ages. A wide range of seminars and courses. Home groups for friendship, support and teaching. Involvement in the community with support for local school, Christmas shoebox appeal, church office open daily. Supporting missionaries overseas and local Christian charities

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£203,748	£182,425	-	-
2023-12-31	£203,992	£187,713	-	-
2022-12-31	£220,597	£207,825	-	-
2021-12-31	£176,554	£214,703	-	-
2020-12-31	£202,744	£182,966	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ashley Glynn Boardman	Chair	2017-09-26
Andrew David Dossett		2022-07-19
Darren Justin Skipp		2019-03-19
Jason Mark Miles		2025-03-18
MARGARET THOMPSON		2012-01-19
Michael George Boys		2012-01-19
Neil O'Boyle		2026-03-03
RICHARD DUNCAN SPIERS		2017-09-26

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Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024
for
Buckskin Evangelical Church

Brewers Chartered Accountants
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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objects for the public benefit are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in Basingstoke and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees may 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 charity.

Our Mission Statement

We are committed to be God's church in Buckskin to:

- Show His love - to those in the community;
- Share His Message - with those around us;
- Strengthen His People - to serve Him;
- Support His Work - in His world;
- Serve Jesus in the Community.

Introduction

Buckskin Evangelical Church was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 21st December 2011, was registered as a charity on 27th January 2012 and became operational on 20th April 2012 when the assets of the previous charitable trust and building trust were transferred to it. This report covers church activities for the year to 31st December 2024.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The following table shows a comparison of unrestricted income and expenditure, 2024 vs 2023:

	2024 £	2023 £
Unrestricted income	187,129	167,957
Unrestricted expenditure	166,128	166,510
Net unrestricted income (before transfers)	21,001	1,447
Restricted income	16,619	36,035
Restricted expenditure	16,297	21,203
Net restricted income (before transfers)	322	14,832

In summary, the trustees are confident that the Church's financial position remains sound. Generous and sacrificial giving from members and other supporters will allow a wide and growing programme of activities to take place. The trustees will take careful note of the financial position when agreeing budgets and setting spending plans for 2026 and beyond, to ensure that the Church's financial position remains sound. This will involve holding an appropriate level of reserves against maintaining an active programme of Church activities.

Grants Policy

The church seeks to give away a minimum of 10% of its unrestricted income to assist missionary activity both in the UK and overseas.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The church's policy is to maintain a prudent level of free reserves (defined as unrestricted funds, less tangible fixed assets net of long-term loans secured on the fixed assets). The free reserves on 31 December 2024 amount to £20,331 (2023: £20,774). For the purposes of short term and medium-term financial management, the trustees are concerned more with the management of working capital. We endeavor to maintain reserves that cover up to 3 months salaries, costs and church running expenses. This is held in the CAF Gold deposit account which had a balance of £31,398 on 31st December 2024 (2023: £23,686). The giving and activities of the church are dependent on the donations given by members of the church. For this reason, no additional reserves are maintained by the church.

Risk statement

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business, and operational risks which the church faces and confirm that systems have been established to monitor those risks so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen them.

Trustee's Responsibility

Under the Charities Act 2011, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of accounts for each accounting year which gives a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the church.

They are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
2. Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
3. Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
4. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed.
5. Prepare the financial statements on an ongoing basis.

They are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the church and to ensure that such accounts and records comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or any other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurances that:

1. The church is operating efficiently and effectively.
2. Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition.
3. Financial information used within the church or for publication is reliable.
4. The church complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The Trustees of the church meet regularly to review and manage the activities of the church. In this they are supported by the Elders and the Leadership Team of the church.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 21st December 2011, and registered as a charity on 27th January 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held on 18th March 2025 when two trustees, William Ross and Margaret Thompson resigned as required by the Governing Document [article 29]. Jason Miles was appointed as a new trustee. William Ross and Margaret Thompson were re-appointed as trustees.

Management

The spiritual life of the church is run by a team of five Elders, three of whom are Trustees.

One of the Elders/Trustees, Will Ross, is the Senior Pastor and a paid employee of the church.

The day-to-day management of the church is run by a management team comprising of Trustees, Elders, and various activity team leaders.

The administration of the church is managed by the activity leaders using ChurchSuite software. This is overseen by the Church Administrator.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Objective and activities

The Trustees and Elders are committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at the church and to become part of the fellowship.

When planning our activities for the year we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We endeavour to enable everyone to live out their faith as part of our fellowship through our mission statement.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church building.

Sunday Services

The church offers a choice of two services on Sunday mornings. The first is a Communion Service that starts at 9.00 am. There is the main Worship Service which commences at 10.30 am and runs for 90 minutes. At this service we also provide a crèche and separate children's and youth classes. On occasional Sunday evenings we meet for worship, prayer, and Bible teaching. On a typical Sunday we see around 120 - 140 people attending the church.

Activities and Community Outreach

It was the intention of those who started the church over 50 years ago to serve and support the local community. Today, the church seeks to do this by offering a variety of activities for its members and for those in the wider community.

- Stepping Stones - for parents and toddlers
- All Starz - for children to age 11
- Coffee Morning - for the retired
- Seminars and courses - covering topics such as Gifts Discovery, Discipleship
- Alpha Courses - aimed at those wishing to discover more about Christianity
- Home Groups - we have 7 small community groups for friendship, support and teaching
- Geared - Men's Ministry
- Threads - Women's Ministry
- Stitch & Craft Evenings
- Lunch Plus - for lonely and vulnerable people
- Youth Bible Study - meeting on a Monday aimed at 14 - 16 year olds
- EPIC Youth Group - meeting twice a month for 11 - 13 year olds
- TLG - a mentoring programme in the local primary school
- Refresh Cafe - operating once a week to support those struggling with their mental health
- Buckskin Pantry - operating once a week to donate fresh food to the local community

In addition to the ongoing weekly activities we also provide:

Church Office - the church is open five mornings a week from 9.00 am to 12.00 am. The aim is to have a place where people can come and find help if needed.

Support nationally/locally - The church is committed to continuing its support for Christian organisations and workers in the UK. We have supported organisations where church members are actively involved in outreach and support across the town, such as Money Lifeline, Besom, Foodbank, and The Starfish Enterprise Trust (which supports small community based Christian projects in the town).

From July 2021 the church has partnered with Foodbank and setup a centre where clients could come and collect their food locally. The centre operates one morning a week and is staffed mostly by church members.

Support Internationally - The church is also actively involved with supporting Christian organisations and Christian workers internationally. Church members are actively involved in supporting projects in India, Bangladesh, Nepal, and Ghana. During 2024 we have also given support to a project in Kenya, through the UK charity Stand By Me.

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Working with other churches - The church is actively involved with OneChurch Basingstoke, the ecumenical body for the town. The church hosts a bi-weekly lunch time meeting for ministers and has also welcomed other churches and leaders for several larger 1CB events.

Family Events - Live Nativity and Easter Funday took place in 2024, with both events attracting over 300 people. The church also partnered with Chiltern Primary School to put on a Carol Service which over 200 people attended.

Community Development

The church has always sought to support the local community. We have done this in several ways:

Supporting the local school - we have very close links to Chiltern Primary School. Every other week the pastor, Will Ross, leads an assembly in the school. The school also visits the church on various occasions, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Harvest and other occasions to assist with curriculum studies. Through the TLG Early Intervention scheme the church has provided 5 coaches to support vulnerable pupils in the local primary school. The church has run a Cook & Eat course for one afternoon after school over 4 weeks, where a parent and child learn how to cook a nutritious family meal.

Volunteers - the church has over 120 active volunteers, and it has been estimated that the church contributes between 8,000 and 9,000 voluntary hours a year. An estimation of the annual 'volunteer value' of the church to the community is between £60,000 and £70,000. This is purely the value to the community of our volunteers and does not include any staff costs, seminar costs, pastoral care of local people or any major events that we put on (e.g. Fun Day). This does not consider those who volunteer for groups outside of the church like Money Lifeline (1 volunteer), Basingstoke Foodbank (9 volunteers), Besom (1 volunteer), Healing on the Streets (1 volunteer), Starfish Enterprise (2 volunteers) and Cedar Tree Counselling (1 volunteer).

Part time Community Worker - the church has employed a part-time Community Worker who supports local families who are linked to the church through the variety of activities the church runs. The cost of employing the Community Worker is borne by the Community Fund.

Church Building Usage

The church building is now the largest and most versatile community building in Buckskin. We have a main hall that will seat over 180 people, plus other small rooms including a high-tech youth room. The new annexe has four meeting rooms equipped with television screens and wi-fi. The church building has been used by several outside organisations for the benefit of the community. Most days it is used by some kind of group.

This year we have added a door to the Youth Lounge, and replaced the wall between two rooms with bi-fold doors to increase capacity on event days. This was made possible through a grant provided by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council.

Employees

The church employed the following staff:

- full time Senior Pastor
- part-time Church Administrator
- part time Youth Worker
- part-time TLG administrator and Children's Ministry Leader
- part-time cleaner
- part-time community worker

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

A Church in Buckskin for Buckskin

One of the church's major principles is to give and to be generous. Hence the everyday running costs and activities of the church are funded entirely by the congregation. A principle that we have adopted is to give regularly and generously to organisations outside of the church. In addition to the income that goes overseas to mission groups and relief aid, we financially support organisations in the UK.

We believe the church has a major part to play in transforming Buckskin. Our church has the people, resources, and the desire to bring about positive change into the lives of local people. We are all aware of the challenges that lay ahead for our communities as local government budgets and services face cuts. The government are looking to the voluntary sector to help fill some of the gaps that will be left. As a church, we are already serving and supporting the local community of Buckskin and are seeking to develop our role further so that we can share and express the love of God in practical ways.

On Sundays, we run a creche, and classes for children up to the age of 11. For children over age 11 we have a youth group. The church has a dedicated creche room, individual rooms in which to teach the different age groups that we cater for. The annexe also has infant toilets plus a disabled toilet with baby changing facilities.

Once a week the church operates as a Foodbank Hub and runs the Refresh Café for lonely and vulnerable people. On a Thursday morning the church operates a Food Pantry giving away excess food from local supermarkets delivered to us by Community Food Link. Each week we see around 30 people visit the Pantry.

Future Plans

The church's vision for 2025 is based on the words and promise of Jesus: 'I will build my church'. After spending a significant time in prayer and discussion we believe that this year we will see significant growth in the life of our church. This growth will be numerical, in spiritual maturity and in the ministries we offer.

To achieve this growth, we will be focussing in four specific areas:

- Prayer and Worship
- Discipleship
- Outreach
- Fellowship

To help achieve these aims the church has contracted with K180, a charity with its heart in evangelism, to provide a member of their staff for the whole of 2025 to train and encourage church members in proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus. To cover K180's costs, a gift day raised over £15,500 in donations, pledges and Gift Aid.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
07893445 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1145653

Registered office
Chiltern Way
Basingstoke
Hampshire
RG22 5BB

Trustees

Ashley Boardman Chairman
Michael Boys
Andrew Dossett Treasurer
Jason Miles (appointed 18/03/25)
Amelia Nirmal (resigned 04/02/25)
William Ross
Darren Skipp
Richard Spiers
Margaret Thompson

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 9 September 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

A Dossett - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Buckskin Evangelical Church

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Buckskin Evangelical Church ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

A M Skilton

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24 September 2025

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		182,092	14,026	196,118	199,569
Other trading activities	2	3,201	-	3,201	1,298
Investment income	3	740	643	1,383	1,115
Other income		1,096	1,950	3,046	2,010
Total		<u>187,129</u>	<u>16,619</u>	<u>203,748</u>	<u>203,992</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		-	-	-	733
Charitable activities charitable		163,581	16,297	179,878	162,851
Other		2,547	-	2,547	24,129
Total		<u>166,128</u>	<u>16,297</u>	<u>182,425</u>	<u>187,713</u>
NET INCOME					
Transfers between funds	13	21,001 4,589	322 (4,589)	21,323 -	16,279 -
Net movement in funds		25,590	(4,267)	21,323	16,279
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		810,142	34,740	844,882	828,603
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>835,732</u>	<u>30,473</u>	<u>866,205</u>	<u>844,882</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Balance Sheet
31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	915,803	-	915,803	903,047
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	7,543	1,880	9,423	6,762
Cash at bank		31,860	28,633	60,493	69,711
		<u>39,403</u>	<u>30,513</u>	<u>69,916</u>	<u>76,473</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(19,073)	(40)	(19,113)	(20,960)
		<u>20,330</u>	<u>30,473</u>	<u>50,803</u>	<u>55,513</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>20,330</u>	<u>30,473</u>	<u>50,803</u>	<u>55,513</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		936,133	30,473	966,606	958,560
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(100,401)	-	(100,401)	(113,678)
		<u>835,732</u>	<u>30,473</u>	<u>866,205</u>	<u>844,882</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>835,732</u>	<u>30,473</u>	<u>866,205</u>	<u>844,882</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				835,732	810,142
Restricted funds				30,473	34,740
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>866,205</u>	<u>844,882</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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Balance Sheet - continued
31 December 2024

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 9 September 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

A Dossett - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Church activities	<u>3,201</u>	<u>1,298</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>1,383</u>	<u>1,115</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	13,112	9,976

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

6. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	85,651	93,065
Social Security costs	1,983	2,831
Other pension costs	3,408	3,557
	91,042	99,453

Due to the size of the organisation, all staff are considered to be key management staff.

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Full Time Pastor	1	1
Part Time Staff	5	3
	6	4

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

During the year the Church employed a Community worker, a new role for the Church.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	165,812	33,757	199,569
Other trading activities	1,298	-	1,298
Investment income	847	268	1,115
Other income	-	2,010	2,010
Total	167,957	36,035	203,992

EXPENDITURE ON

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Raising funds	367	366	733
Charitable activities charitable	143,883	18,968	162,851
Other	22,260	1,869	24,129
Total	<u>166,510</u>	<u>21,203</u>	<u>187,713</u>
NET INCOME	1,447	14,832	16,279
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	808,695	19,908	828,603
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>810,142</u>	<u>34,740</u>	<u>844,882</u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 January 2024	997,595	-	997,595
Additions	-	25,868	25,868
At 31 December 2024	<u>997,595</u>	<u>25,868</u>	<u>1,023,463</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 January 2024	94,548	-	94,548
Charge for year	9,975	3,137	13,112
At 31 December 2024	<u>104,523</u>	<u>3,137</u>	<u>107,660</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2024	<u>893,072</u>	<u>22,731</u>	<u>915,803</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>903,047</u>	-	<u>903,047</u>

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	4,505	1,970
Prepayments and accrued income	4,918	4,792
	<u>9,423</u>	<u>6,762</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)	13,222	11,966
Trade creditors	5,851	502
Social security and other taxes	-	1,423
Accruals and deferred income	40	7,069
	<u>19,113</u>	<u>20,960</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank loans (see note 12)	<u>100,401</u>	<u>113,678</u>

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	<u>13,222</u>	<u>11,966</u>
Amounts falling due between two and five years:		
Bank loans - 2-5 years	<u>83,703</u>	<u>77,124</u>
Amounts falling due in more than five years:		
Repayable by instalments:		
Bank loans more than 5 years by installment	16,698	36,554

The building of the annexe took place in 2016 and was partly funded by a 15-year bank loan of £200,000 from CAF Bank secured on the land and buildings. The loan interest is 2.95% above the Bank of England base rate. The terms of repayment were interest only repayments for the first 12 months and full repayment over the remaining 14 years.

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.24	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.12.24
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	810,142	21,001	4,589	835,732
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	34,740	322	(4,589)	30,473
	<u>844,882</u>	<u>21,323</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>866,205</u>

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13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	187,129	(166,128)	21,001
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	16,619	(16,297)	322
TOTAL FUNDS	203,748	(182,425)	21,323

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	808,695	1,447	810,142
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	19,908	14,832	34,740
TOTAL FUNDS	828,603	16,279	844,882

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	167,957	(166,510)	1,447
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	36,035	(21,203)	14,832
TOTAL FUNDS	203,992	(187,713)	16,279

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13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

	At 01/01/24	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31/12/24
General fund	810,139	164,689	162,547	558	812,838
Designated funds					
Pride in Place	-	22,440	3,137	1,090	20,392
Projector replacement	-	-	2,944	2,944	-
Special Reserve	-	-	(2,500)	-	2,500
Total Unrestricted	810,139	187,129	166,128	4,592	857,731
Restricted funds					
Building fund	558	-	-	558	-
Childrens Worker	1,250	-	1,250	-	-
Church Holiday	-	1,710	1,710	-	-
Community	24,361	2,796	9,088	-	18,068
Cook & Eat	126	995	842	-	279
Gifts	5,956	-	1,344	4,034	578
K180	-	9,908	-	-	9,908
Make Lunch	2,492	611	1,463	-	1,640
School Uniforms	-	600	600	-	-
Total Restricted	34,740	16,619	16,297	4,592	30,473
Total Funds	844,881	203,991	187,713	-	866,203

The Building Fund exists to upgrade the fabric and facilities of the building in order that it is more cost effective to run.

TLG funds cover the mentoring programme for the local school.

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

BUCKSKIN EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1145653

Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023
for
Buckskin Evangelical Church

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objects for the public benefit are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in Basingstoke and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees may 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 charity.

Our Mission Statement

We are committed to be God's church in Buckskin to:

- Show His love - to those in the community;
- Share His Message - with those around us;
- Strengthen His People - to serve Him;
- Support His Work - in His world;
- Serve Jesus in the Community.

Introduction

Buckskin Evangelical Church was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 21st December 2011, was registered as a charity on 27th January 2012 and became operational on 20th April 2012 when the assets of the previous charitable trust and building trust were transferred to it. This report covers church activities for the year to 31st December 2023.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The following table shows a comparison of unrestricted income and expenditure, 2023 vs 2022:

	2023 £	2022 £
Unrestricted income	167,957	174,723
Unrestricted expenditure	166,510	174,959
Net unrestricted income (before transfers)	1,447	(236)
Restricted income	36,035	45,874
Restricted expenditure	21,203	32,866
Net restricted income (before transfers)	14,832	13,008

In summary, the trustees are confident that the Church's financial position remains sound. Generous and sacrificial giving from members and other supporters will allow a wide and growing programme of activities to take place. The trustees will take careful note of the financial position when agreeing budgets and setting spending plans for 2024 and beyond, to ensure that the Church's financial position remains sound. This will involve holding an appropriate level of reserves against maintaining an active programme of Church activities.

Grants Policy

The church seeks to give away a minimum of 11% of its unrestricted income to assist missionary activity both in the UK and overseas.

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Reserves policy

The church's policy is to maintain a prudent level of free reserves (defined as unrestricted funds, less tangible fixed assets net of long-term loans secured on the fixed assets). The free reserves on 31 December 2023 amount to £20,774 (2022: £20,754). For the purposes of short term and medium-term financial management, the trustees are concerned more with the management of working capital. We endeavor to maintain reserves that cover up to 3 months salaries, costs and church running expenses. This is held in the CAF Gold deposit account which had a balance of £23,686 on 31st December 2023 (2022: £30,858). The giving and activities of the church are dependent on the donations given by members of the church. For this reason, no additional reserves are maintained by the church.

Risk statement

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the church faces and confirm that systems have been established to monitor those risks so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen them.

Trustee's Responsibility

Under the Charities Act 1993, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of accounts for each accounting year which gives a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the church.

They are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
2. Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed.
4. Prepare the financial statements on an ongoing basis.

They are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the church and to ensure that such accounts and records comply with the Charities Act 1993.

They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or any other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurances that:

1. The church is operating efficiently and effectively.
2. Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition.
3. Financial information used within the church or for publication is reliable.
4. The church complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The Trustees of the church meet regularly to review and manage the activities of the church. In this they are supported by the Elders and the Leadership Team of the church.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 21st December 2011, and registered as a charity on 27th January 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held on 23rd January 2024 when two trustees, Michael Boys and Darren Skipp resigned as required by the Governing Document [article 29]. Amelia Nirmal was appointed as a new trustee. Michael Boys and Darren Skipp were re-appointed as trustees.

Management

The spiritual life of the church is run by a team of four Elders, three of whom are Trustees.

One of the Elders/Trustees, Will Ross, is the Senior Pastor and a paid employee of the church.

The day-to-day management of the church is run by a management team comprising of Trustees, Elders, and various activity team leaders.

The administration of the church is managed by the activity leaders using ChurchSuite software. This is overseen by the Church Administrator.

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Objective and activities

The Trustees and Elders are committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at the church and to become part of the fellowship.

When planning our activities for the year we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We endeavour to enable everyone to live out their faith as part of our fellowship through our mission statement.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church building.

Sunday Services

The church offers a choice of two services on Sunday mornings. The first is a Communion Service that starts at 9.00 am. There is the main Worship Service which commences at 10.30 am and runs for 90 minutes. At this service we also provide a crèche and separate children's and youth classes. On occasional Sunday evenings we meet for worship, prayer, and Bible teaching. On a typical Sunday we see around 120 - 140 people attending the church.

Activities and Community Outreach

It was the intention of those who started the church over 50 years ago to serve and support the local community. Today, the church seeks to do this by offering a variety of activities for its members and for those in the wider community.

- Stepping Stones - for parents and toddlers
- AWANA - for children to age 11
- Coffee Morning - for the retired
- Seminars and courses - covering topics such as Gifts Discovery, Discipleship
- Alpha Courses - aimed at those wishing to discover more about Christianity
- Home Groups - we have 7 small community groups for friendship, support and teaching
- Geared - Men's Ministry
- Threads - Woman's Ministry
- Stitch & Craft Evenings
- Lunch Plus - for lonely and vulnerable people
- Youth Bible Study - meeting on a Monday aimed at 14 - 16 year olds
- TLG - a mentoring programme in the local primary school
- Refresh Cafe - operating once a week to support those struggling with their mental health
- Buckin Pantry - operating once a week to donate fresh food to the local community

In addition to the ongoing weekly activities we also provide:

Church Office - the church is open five mornings a week from 9.00 am to 12.00 pm. The aim is to have a place where people can come and find help if needed.

Support nationally/locally - The church is committed to continuing its support for Christian organisations and workers in the UK. We have supported organisations where church members are actively involved in outreach and support across the town, such as Money Lifeline, Besom, Foodbank, and The Starfish Enterprise Trust (which supports small community based Christian projects in the town).

From July 2021 the church has partnered with Foodbank and setup a centre where clients could come and collect their food locally. The centre operates one morning a week and is staffed mostly by church members.

Support Internationally - The church is also actively involved with supporting Christian organisations and Christian workers internationally. Church members are actively involved in supporting projects in India, Bangladesh, Nepal, and Ghana. During 2023 we have also given support to a project in Kenya, Stand By Me.

Working with other churches - The church is actively involved with OneChurch Basingstoke, the ecumenical body for the town. The church hosts a bi-weekly lunch time meeting for ministers and has also welcomed other churches and leaders for several larger 1CB events.

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Family Events - Live Nativity and Easter Funday took place in 2023, with both events attracting over 300 people. The church also partnered with Chiltern Primary School to put on a Carol Service which over 200 people attended; due to inclement weather this was transferred to an indoor event.

Community Development

The church has always sought to support the local community. We have done this in several ways:

Supporting the local school - we have very close links to Chiltern Primary School. Every other week the pastor, Will Ross, leads an assembly in the school. The school also visits the church on various occasions, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Harvest and other occasions to assist with curriculum studies. Through the TLG Early Intervention scheme the church has provided 5 coaches to support vulnerable pupils in the local primary school. The church has also worked with the school by providing over 60 hampers at Christmas to needy families identified by the school. The church also runs a Cook & Eat course for one afternoon after school over 6 weeks, where a parent and child learn how to cook a nutritious family meal.

Volunteers -the church has over 120 active volunteers, and it has been estimated that the church contributes between 8000 and 9000 voluntary hours a year. An estimation of the annual 'volunteer value' of the church to the community is between £60,000 and £70,000. This is purely the value to the community of our volunteers and does not include any staff costs, seminar costs, pastoral care of local people or any major events that we put on (e.g. Fun Day). This does not consider those who volunteer for groups outside of the church like Money Lifeline (1 volunteer), Basingstoke Foodbank (9 volunteers), Besom (1 volunteer), Healing on the Streets (1 volunteer), Starfish Enterprise (2 volunteers) and Cedar Tree Counselling (2 volunteers)

Church Building Usage

The church building is now the largest and most versatile community building in Buckskin. We have a main hall that will seat over 180 people, plus other small rooms including a high-tech youth room. The new annexe has four meeting rooms equipped with television screens and wi-fi. The church building has been used by several outside organisations for the benefit of the community. Most days it is used by some kind of group. This year we have seen a number of improvements in the building and its facilities. These have included:

- Refurbishment of the church youth lounge
- New technology in the youth lounge
- Installation of new catering equipment in the main kitchen

Employees

The church employed the following staff:

- full time Senior Pastor
- part-time Church Administrator
- part time Youth Worker
- part-time TLG administrator and Children's Ministry Leader
- part-time cleaner
- part-time minute taker

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

A Church in Buckskin for Buckskin

One of the church's major principles is to give and to be generous. Hence the everyday running costs and activities of the church are funded entirely by the congregation. A principle that we have adopted is to give regularly and generously to organisations outside of the church. In addition to the income that goes overseas to mission groups and relief aid, we financially support organisations in the UK.

We believe the church has a major part to play in transforming Buckskin. Our church has the people, resources, and the desire to bring about positive change into the lives of local people. We are all aware of the challenges that lay ahead for our communities as local government budgets and services face cuts. The government are looking to the voluntary sector to help fill some of the gaps that will be left. As a church, we are already serving and supporting the local community of Buckskin and are seeking to develop our role further so that we can share and express the love of God in practical ways.

On Sundays, we run a creche, and classes for children up to the age of 11. For children over age 11 we have a youth group. The church has a dedicated creche room, individual rooms in which to teach the different age groups that we cater for. The annexe also has infant toilets plus a disabled toilet with baby changing facilities.

Once a week the church operates as a Foodbank Hub and runs the Refresh Café for lonely and vulnerable people. On a Thursday morning the church operates a Food Pantry giving away excess food from local supermarkets delivered to us by Community Food Link. Each week we see around 30 people visit the Pantry.

Hardship and Community Funds

During the Covid pandemic a Hardship Fund was established to give grants to those who were struggling financially because of the pandemic. The Trustees and Elders concluded that the Fund had run its course and closed the Fund, transferring the balance of £4,564 to a new fund with a wider remit, The Community Fund. The transfer was made in accordance with the Hardship Fund Terms of Reference.

In July 2023 a fundraising day raised £13,500 for the Community Fund; further donations of £4,300 were received during the year. The balance of the Community Fund now stands at £24,300, which includes Gift Aid received and the funds transferred from the Hardship Fund.

Future Plans

The church plans to employ a part-time Community Worker who will support local families who are linked to the church through the variety of activities the church runs. It is envisaged that the role will be for 10 to 12 hours a week with an initial contract for 2 years being offered. The cost of employing the Community Worker will be borne by the Community Fund.

The church's vision for 2024 is to be a 'Community of the Cross'. The emphasis being to follow in the footsteps of Christ by showing His love and speaking out His message. The cross was a place of sacrifice and the call to the church will be to give themselves to God and sharing what they have with others.

The year will be separated into three themes:

- Spring Term - The Cross a place of Love
- Summer Term - The Cross a place of Transformation
- Autumn - The Cross a place of Hope

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
07893445 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1145653

Registered office
Chiltern Way
Basingstoke
Hampshire
RG22 5BB

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

Trustees
Ashley Boardman Chairman (from 13/06/23)
Michael Boys
Andrew Dossett Treasurer
Amelia Nirmnal (from 23/01/24)
William Ross
Darren Skipp Chairman (to 13/06/23)
Richard Spiers
Ian Thompson (to 07/04/23)
Margaret Thompson

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

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A Dossett - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Buckskin Evangelical Church

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Buckskin Evangelical Church ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

A M Skilton

Brewers Chartered Accountants
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Date:

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £	31.12.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		165,812	33,757	199,569	208,638
Other trading activities	2	1,298	-	1,298	215
Investment income	3	847	268	1,115	199
Other income		-	2,010	2,010	11,545
Total		<u>167,957</u>	<u>36,035</u>	<u>203,992</u>	<u>220,597</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		367	366	733	333
Charitable activities charitable		143,883	18,968	162,851	190,141
Other		<u>22,260</u>	<u>1,869</u>	<u>24,129</u>	<u>17,351</u>
Total		<u>166,510</u>	<u>21,203</u>	<u>187,713</u>	<u>207,825</u>
NET INCOME		1,447	14,832	16,279	12,772
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		808,695	19,908	828,603	815,831
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>810,142</u></u>	<u><u>34,740</u></u>	<u><u>844,882</u></u>	<u><u>828,603</u></u>

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Balance Sheet
31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £	31.12.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	903,047	-	903,047	913,023
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	6,762	-	6,762	8,004
Cash at bank		34,971	34,740	69,711	56,107
		<u>41,733</u>	<u>34,740</u>	<u>76,473</u>	<u>64,111</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(20,960)	-	(20,960)	(23,448)
		<u>20,773</u>	<u>34,740</u>	<u>55,513</u>	<u>40,663</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		20,773	34,740	55,513	40,663
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		923,820	34,740	958,560	953,686
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(113,678)	-	(113,678)	(125,083)
		<u>810,142</u>	<u>34,740</u>	<u>844,882</u>	<u>828,603</u>
NET ASSETS					
		810,142	34,740	844,882	828,603
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				810,142	808,695
Restricted funds				34,740	19,908
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>844,882</u>	<u>828,603</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

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A Dossett - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Church activities	<u>1,298</u>	<u>215</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>1,115</u>	<u>199</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>9,976</u>	<u>9,974</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

6. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	85,651	93,065
Social Security costs	1,983	2,831
Other pension costs	3,408	3,557
	<u>91,042</u>	<u>99,453</u>

Due to the size of the organisation, all staff are considered to be key management staff.

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.12.23	31.12.22
Full Time Pastor	1	1
Full Time Associate Pastor	-	1
Part Time Staff	3	4
	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

In June 2023 the associate pastor left the Church, and is not due to be replaced. In October the Church employed a Youth worker, a new role for the Church.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	164,069	44,569	208,638
Other trading activities	215	-	215
Investment income	179	20	199
Other income	10,260	1,285	11,545
Total	174,723	45,874	220,597
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	330	3	333
Charitable activities			
charitable	157,278	32,863	190,141
Other	17,351	-	17,351
Total	174,959	32,866	207,825
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(236)	13,008	12,772
Transfers between funds	6,375	(6,375)	-
Net movement in funds	6,139	6,633	12,772
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	802,556	13,275	815,831
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	808,695	19,908	828,603

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £
COST	
At 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023	997,595
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2023	84,572
Charge for year	9,976
At 31 December 2023	94,548
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2023	903,047
At 31 December 2022	913,023

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9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Trade debtors	1,970	-
Prepayments and accrued income	4,792	8,004
	<u>6,762</u>	<u>8,004</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)	11,966	11,958
Trade creditors	502	5,474
Social security and other taxes	1,423	-
Accruals and deferred income	7,069	6,016
	<u>20,960</u>	<u>23,448</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Bank loans (see note 12)	<u>113,678</u>	<u>125,083</u>

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	<u>11,966</u>	<u>11,958</u>
Amounts falling due between two and five years:		
Bank loans - 2-5 years	<u>77,124</u>	<u>72,777</u>
Amounts falling due in more than five years:		
Repayable by instalments:		
Bank loans more than 5 years by installment	36,554	52,306

The building of the annexe took place in 2016 and was partly funded by a 15-year bank loan of £200,000 from CAF Bank secured on the land and buildings. The loan interest is 2.95% above the Bank of England base rate. The terms of repayment were interest only repayments for the first 12 months and full repayment over the remaining 14 years.

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.23	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	808,695	1,447	810,142
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	19,908	14,832	34,740
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>828,603</u>	<u>16,279</u>	<u>844,882</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	167,957	(166,510)	1,447
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	36,035	(21,203)	14,832
TOTAL FUNDS	203,992	(187,713)	16,279

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	802,556	(236)	6,375	808,695
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	13,275	13,008	(6,375)	19,908
TOTAL FUNDS	815,831	12,772	-	828,603

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	174,723	(174,959)	(236)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	45,874	(32,866)	13,008
TOTAL FUNDS	220,597	(207,825)	12,772

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

	At 01/01/23	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31/12/23
General fund	805,641	164,031	154,193	(5,337)	810,142
Designated funds					
Building funds	1,394	160	-	(1,554)	-
TLG fund	1,626	300	6,090	4,163	-
Turkey-Syria Earthquake appeal	-	2,195	2,700	505	-
Youth Lounge Refurbishment	-	1,224	3,446	2,222	-
Total Unrestricted	808,695	167,956	166,509	-	810,142
Restricted funds					
Building fund	558	-	-	-	558
Childrens Worker	6,000	-	4,750	-	1,250
Community Fund	-	21,101	1,304	4,564	24,361
Cook and Eat	336	500	713	-	123
Equipment	-	8,644	10,406	1,762	-
Gifts	7,719	-	-	(1,762)	5,957
Hardship Fund	5,296	33	764	(4,564)	-
Holiday Fund	-	1,913	1,913	-	-
Make Lunch	-	3,740	1,248	-	2,492
TEAR Fund Quiz Night	-	105	105	-	-
Total Restricted	19,908	36,035	21,203	-	34,740
Total Funds	828,603	203,991	187,713	-	844,881

The Building Fund exists to upgrade the fabric and facilities of the building in order that it is more cost effective to run.

TLG funds cover the mentoring programme for the local school.

Buckskin Hardship Fund was established during 2020 to support people locally suffering as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic. The Buckskin Hardship Fund was closed during 2023 as the fund had fulfilled its purpose. In line with the fund's term of reference, the trustees transferred the balance of the fund, £4,564, to a new (restricted) fund, the Buckskin Community Fund.

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

BUCKSKIN EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1145653

Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022
for
Buckskin Evangelical Church

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Buckskin Evangelical Church

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objects for the public benefit are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in Basingstoke and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees may 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 charity.

Our Mission Statement

We are committed to be God's church in Buckskin to:

- Show His love - to those in the community;
- Share His Message - with those around us;
- Strengthen His People - to serve Him;
- Support His Work - in His world;
- Serve Jesus in the Community.

Introduction

Buckskin Evangelical Church was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 21st December 2011, was registered as a charity on 27th January 2012 and became operational on 20th April 2012 when the assets of the previous charitable trust and building trust were transferred to it. This report covers church activities for the year to 31st December 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The following table shows a comparison of unrestricted income and expenditure, 2022 vs 2021:

	2022 £	2021 £
Unrestricted income	174,723	164,916
Unrestricted expenditure	174,959	201,669
Net unrestricted income (before transfers)	(236)	(36,753)
Restricted income	45,874	11,638
Restricted expenditure	32,866	13,034
Net restricted income (before transfers)	13,008	1,396

In summary, the trustees are confident that the Church's financial position remains sound. Generous and sacrificial giving from members and other supporters will allow a wide and growing programme of activities to take place. The trustees will take careful note of the financial position when agreeing budgets and setting spending plans for 2023 and beyond, to ensure that the Church's financial position remains sound. This will involve holding an appropriate level of reserves against maintaining an active programme of Church activities.

Grants Policy

The church seeks to give away a minimum of 10% of prior year unrestricted donations, excluding gifts, to assist missionary activity both in the UK and overseas.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The church's policy is to maintain a prudent level of free reserves (defined as unrestricted funds, less tangible fixed assets net of long-term loans secured on the fixed assets). The free reserves on 31 December 2022 amount to £20,574 (2021: £16,975). For the purposes of short term and medium-term financial management, the trustees are concerned more with the management of working capital. We endeavor to maintain reserves that cover up to 3 months salaries, costs and church running expenses. This is held in the CAF Gold deposit account which had a balance of £30,858 on 31st December 2022 (2021: £31,989). The giving and activities of the church are dependent on the donations given by members of the church. For this reason, no additional reserves are maintained by the church.

Risk statement

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the church faces and confirm that systems have been established to monitor those risks so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen them.

Trustee's Responsibility

Under the Charities Act 1993, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of accounts for each accounting year which gives a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the church.

They are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
2. Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed.
4. Prepare the financial statements on an ongoing basis.

They are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the church and to ensure that such accounts and records comply with the Charities Act 1993.

They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or any other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurances that:

1. The church is operating efficiently and effectively.
2. Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition.
3. Financial information used within the church or for publication is reliable.
4. The church complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The Trustees of the church meet regularly to review and manage the activities of the church. In this they are supported by the Elders and the Leadership Team of the church.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 21st December 2011, and registered as a charity on 27th January 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held on 18th October 2022 when two trustees, Ashley Boardman and Richard Spiers resigned as required by the Governing Document [article 29]. Andrew Dossett was appointed as a trustee on 19th July 2022 and resigned as required by the Governing Document [article 34(2)]. Ashley Boardman, Andrew Dossett and Richard Spiers were re-appointed as trustees.

Management

The spiritual life of the church is run by a team of five Elders, three of whom are Trustees.

One of the Elders/Trustees, Will Ross, is the Senior Pastor and a paid employee of the church.

The day-to-day management of the church is run by a management team comprising of Trustees, Elders, and a leadership team comprising various activity team leaders.

The administration of the church is now managed by the activity leaders using ChurchSuite software. This is overseen by the Church Communications Officer.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Objective and activities

The Trustees and Elders are committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at the church and to become part of the fellowship.

When planning our activities for the year we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We endeavour to enable everyone to live out their faith as part of our fellowship through our mission statement.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church building.

Sunday Services

The church offers a choice of two services on Sunday mornings. The first is a Communion Service that starts at 9.00 am. There is the main Worship Service which commences at 10.30 am and runs for 90 minutes. At this service we also provide a crèche and separate children's and youth classes. On occasional Sunday evenings we meet for worship, prayer, and Bible teaching. On a typical Sunday we see around 100 - 120 people attending the church.

Activities and Community Outreach

It was the intention of those who started the church over 50 years ago to serve and support the local community. Today, the church seeks to do this by offering a variety of activities for its members and for those in the wider community.

- Stepping Stones - for parents and toddlers
- AWANA - for children to age 11
- Coffee Morning - for the retired
- Seminars and courses - covering topics such as Gifts Discovery, Discipleship
- Alpha Courses - aimed at those wishing to discover more about Christianity
- Home Groups - we have 7 small community groups for friendship, support and teaching
- Threads - Woman's Ministry
- Geared - Men's Ministry
- Stitch & Craft Evenings
- Lunch Plus - for lonely and vulnerable people
- Youth Bible Study - meeting on a Monday aimed at 14 - 16 year olds
- TLG - a mentoring programme in the local primary school
- Refresh Cafe - operating once a week to support those struggling with their mental health.

In addition to the ongoing weekly activities we also provide:

Church Office - the church is open five mornings a week from 9.00 am to 12.00 pm. The aim is to have a place where people can come and find help if needed.

Support nationally/locally - The church is committed to continuing its support for Christian organisations and workers in the UK. We have supported organisations where church members are actively involved in outreach and support across the town, such as Money Lifeline, Besom, Foodbank, and The Starfish Enterprise Trust (which supports small community based Christian projects in the town).

From July 2021 the church has partnered with Foodbank and setup a centre where clients could come and collect their food locally. The centre operates one morning a week and is staffed mostly by church members.

Support Internationally - The church is also actively involved with supporting Christian organisations and Christian workers internationally. Church members are actively involved in supporting projects in India, Bangladesh, Nepal, and Ghana. During 2022 we have also given support to a project in Kenya, Stand By Me.

Working with other churches - The church is actively involved with OneChurch Basingstoke, the ecumenical body for the town. The church hosts a bi-weekly lunch time meeting for ministers and has also welcomed other churches and leaders for several larger 1CB events.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Family Events - Live Nativity and Easter Sunday took place in 2022, the first time since the outbreak of the pandemic. The church also partnered with Chiltern Primary School to put on an Outdoor Carol Service which over 250 people attended; due to inclement weather this was transferred to an indoor event.

Community Development

The church has always sought to support the local community. We have done this in several ways:

Supporting the local school - we have very close links to Chiltern Primary School. Every other week the pastor, Will Ross, leads an assembly in the school. The school also visits the church on various occasions, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Harvest and other occasions to assist with curriculum studies. Through the TLG Early Intervention scheme the church has provided 5 coaches to support vulnerable pupils in the local primary school. The church has also worked with the school by providing over 60 hampers at Christmas to needy families identified by the school. The church also runs a Cook & Eat course for one afternoon after school over 6 weeks, where a parent and child learn how to cook a nutritious family meal.

Volunteers -the church has over 120 active volunteers, and it has been estimated that the church contributes between 8000 and 9000 voluntary hours a year. An estimation of the annual 'volunteer value' of the church to the community is between £60,000 and £70,000. This is purely the value to the community of our volunteers and does not include any staff costs, seminar costs, pastoral care of local people or any major events that we put on (e.g. Fun Day). This does not consider those who volunteer for groups outside of the church like Money Lifeline (1 volunteer), Basingstoke Foodbank (9 volunteers), Besom (1 volunteer), Healing on the Streets (1 volunteer), Starfish Enterprise (2 volunteers) and Cedar Tree Counselling (2 volunteers)

Church Building Usage

The church building is now the largest and most versatile community building in Buckskin. We have a main hall that will seat over 180 people, plus other small rooms including a high-tech youth room. The new annexe has four meeting rooms equipped with television screens and wi-fi. The church building has been used by several outside organisations for the benefit of the community. Most days it is used by some kind of group.

Employees

The church employed the following staff;

- full time Senior Pastor
- full time Associate Pastor
- part-time church communications officer
- part-time TLG administrator and Children's Ministry Leader
- part-time cleaner
- part-time minute taker

A Church in Buckskin for Buckskin

One of the church's major principles is to give and to be generous. Hence the everyday running costs and activities of the church are funded entirely by the congregation. A principle that we have adopted is to give regularly and generously to organisations outside of the church. In addition to the income that goes overseas to mission groups and relief aid, we financially support organisations in the UK.

We believe the church has a major part to play in transforming Buckskin. Our church has the people, resources, and the desire to bring about positive change into the lives of local people. We are all aware of the challenges that lay ahead for our communities as local government budgets and services face cuts. The government are looking to the voluntary sector to help fill some of the gaps that will be left. As a church, we are already serving and supporting the local community of Buckskin and are seeking to develop our role further so that we can share and express the love of God in practical ways.

On Sundays, we run a creche, and classes for children up to the age of 11. For children over age 11 we have a youth group. The church has a dedicated creche room, individual rooms in which to teach the different age groups that we cater for, together with infant toilets.

Once a week the church operates as a Foodbank Hub and runs the Refresh Café for lonely and vulnerable people.

During 2022 the toilets in the oldest part of the church were refurbished and a shower facility was added. This was made possible with a Section 106 grant from Basingstoke and Deane District Council

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Future Plans

The church plans to employ a part-time Community Worker who will support local families who are linked to the church through the variety of activities the church runs. It is envisaged that the role will be for 18 hours a week with an initial contract for 2 years being offered.

The theme for 2023 is that as a church we are the Body of Jesus, created to serve Him here on the earth and how every member is a part of it and has a role to play.

The coming year will break into three sections, one for each term

- Spring Term - His Heart
- Summer Term - His Hand
- Autumn Term - His Feet

Each term we will be running activities related to those concepts. The goal will be to grow the church spiritually and numerically and to reach out into the local community, to show His love and share His message. It is our hope that like a human body each of us will be connected and play their part to truly make us a strong, healthy, and active body of God's people here in Buckskin.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
07893445 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1145653

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Chiltern Way
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Ashley Boardman
Michael Boys
Andrew Dossett Treasurer (from 19/07/22)
William Ross
Ian Thompson
Margaret Thompson Treasurer (to 19/07/22)
Darren Skipp Chairman
Richard Spiers

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

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A Dossett - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Buckskin Evangelical Church

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Buckskin Evangelical Church ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

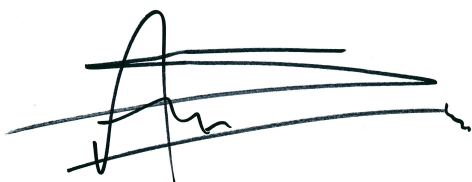
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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



A M Skilton

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Date: ..19 September 2023.....

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.12.22 Total funds £	31.12.21 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		164,069	44,569	208,638	167,760
Other trading activities	2	215	-	215	625
Investment income	3	179	20	199	6
Other income		10,260	1,285	11,545	8,163
Total		<u>174,723</u>	<u>45,874</u>	<u>220,597</u>	<u>176,554</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		330	3	333	14,759
Charitable activities					
charitable		157,278	32,863	190,141	196,186
Other		17,351	-	17,351	3,758
Total		<u>174,959</u>	<u>32,866</u>	<u>207,825</u>	<u>214,703</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)					
Transfers between funds	13	(236) 6,375	13,008 (6,375)	12,772 -	(38,149) -
Net movement in funds		6,139	6,633	12,772	(38,149)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		802,556	13,275	815,831	853,980
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>808,695</u></u>	<u><u>19,908</u></u>	<u><u>828,603</u></u>	<u><u>815,831</u></u>

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Balance Sheet
31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.12.22 Total funds £	31.12.21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	913,023	-	913,023	922,997
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	8,004	-	8,004	3,999
Cash at bank		36,198	19,909	56,107	56,369
		<u>44,202</u>	<u>19,909</u>	<u>64,111</u>	<u>60,368</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(23,447)	(1)	(23,448)	(30,118)
		<u>20,755</u>	<u>19,908</u>	<u>40,663</u>	<u>30,250</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>20,755</u>	<u>19,908</u>	<u>40,663</u>	<u>30,250</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>933,778</u>	<u>19,908</u>	<u>953,686</u>	<u>953,247</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(125,083)	-	(125,083)	(137,416)
		<u>808,695</u>	<u>19,908</u>	<u>828,603</u>	<u>815,831</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>808,695</u>	<u>19,908</u>	<u>828,603</u>	<u>815,831</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				808,695	802,556
Restricted funds				19,908	13,275
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>828,603</u>	<u>815,831</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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Balance Sheet - continued
31 December 2022

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

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A Dossett - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Church activities	215	625
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Deposit account interest	199	6
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>9,974</u>	<u>9,976</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

6. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	93,065	90,653
Social Security costs	2,831	3,690
Other pension costs	3,557	3,331
	<u>99,453</u>	<u>97,674</u>

Due to the size of the organisation, all staff are considered to be key management staff.

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.12.22	31.12.21
Full Time Pastor	1	1
Full Time Associate Pastor	1	1
Part Time Staff	4	4
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	159,122	8,638	167,760
Other trading activities	625	-	625
Investment income	6	-	6
Other income	<u>5,163</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>8,163</u>
Total	<u>164,916</u>	<u>11,638</u>	<u>176,554</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	14,759	-	14,759

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7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Charitable activities charitable	183,152	13,034	196,186
Other	3,758	-	3,758
Total	201,669	13,034	214,703
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(36,753)	(1,396)	(38,149)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	839,309	14,671	853,980
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	802,556	13,275	815,831

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £
COST	
At 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022	997,595
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2022	74,598
Charge for year	9,974
At 31 December 2022	84,572
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2022	913,023
At 31 December 2021	922,997

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.22 £	31.12.21 £
Prepayments and accrued income	8,004	3,999

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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)	11,958	12,185
Trade creditors	5,474	9,750
Accruals and deferred income	6,016	8,183
	<u>23,448</u>	<u>30,118</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Bank loans (see note 12)	<u>125,083</u>	<u>137,416</u>

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	<u>11,958</u>	<u>12,185</u>
Amounts falling due between two and five years:		
Bank loans - 2-5 years	<u>72,777</u>	<u>54,570</u>
Amounts falling due in more than five years:		
Repayable by instalments:		
Bank loans more than 5 years by installment	52,306	82,846

The building of the annexe took place in 2016 and was partly funded by a 15-year bank loan of £200,000 from CAF Bank secured on the land and buildings. The loan interest is 2.95% above the Bank of England base rate. The terms of repayment were interest only repayments for the first 12 months and full repayment over the remaining 14 years.

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.22	Net movement	Transfers	At
	£	in funds	between	31.12.22
		£	funds	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	802,556	(236)	6,375	808,695
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	13,275	13,008	(6,375)	19,908
	<u>815,831</u>	<u>12,772</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>828,603</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	174,723	(174,959)	(236)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	45,874	(32,866)	13,008
TOTAL FUNDS	220,597	(207,825)	12,772

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	839,309	(36,753)	802,556
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	14,671	(1,396)	13,275
TOTAL FUNDS	853,980	(38,149)	815,831

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	164,916	(201,669)	(36,753)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	11,638	(13,034)	(1,396)
TOTAL FUNDS	176,554	(214,703)	(38,149)

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	839,309	(36,989)	6,375	808,695
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	14,671	11,612	(6,375)	19,908
TOTAL FUNDS	853,980	(25,377)	-	828,603

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	339,639	(376,628)	(36,989)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	57,512	(45,900)	11,612
TOTAL FUNDS	397,151	(422,528)	(25,377)

	At 01/01/21	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31/12/21
General fund	809,192	164,248	175,533	-	797,906
Designated funds					
Mission gifts	617	69	-	-	686
Stepping stones	962	-	375	-	587
Awana fund	-	100	-	-	100
Building funds	28,362	-	25,762	-	2,600
TLG fund	-	500	-	-	500
Threads - Woman's ministries	173	-	-	-	173
Total Unrestricted	839,308	164,917	201,670	-	802,555
Restricted funds					
Building fund	557	-	-	-	557
Gifts	6,294	11,638	11,331	-	6,601
TLG	11	-	-	-	11
Buckskin Hardship fund	7,808	-	1,703	-	6,105
Total Restricted	14,671	11,638	13,034	-	13,275
Total Funds	853,980	176,555	214,704	-	815,830

The Building Fund exists to upgrade the fabric and facilities of the building in order that it is more cost effective to run.

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

The Church Holiday fund covers specific event for local people.

TLG funds cover the mentoring programme for the local school.

Buckskin Hardship Fund was established during 2020 to support people locally suffering as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic.

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2022.

BUCKSKIN EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1145653

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 07893445 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1145653

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021
for
Buckskin Evangelical Church

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Buckskin Evangelical Church

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objects for the public benefit are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in Basingstoke and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees may 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 charity.

Our Mission Statement

We are committed to be God's church in Buckskin to:

- Show His love - to those in the community;
- Share His Message - with those around us;
- Strengthen His People - to serve Him;
- Support His Work - in His world;
- Serve Jesus in the Community.

Introduction

Buckskin Evangelical Church was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 21st December 2011, was registered as a charity on 27th January 2012 and became operational on 20th April 2012 when the assets of the previous charitable trust and building trust were transferred to it. This report covers church activities for the year to 31st December 2021

At the beginning of 2021 due to Covid19 the church was still meeting online. In April of that year the church reopened its doors to the congregation to celebrate Easter in person. Since then, the church has remained open and has continued to offer Sunday services in the building. Although the numbers of those meeting in person has dropped we have still seen a good number of people joining us for worship.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The following table shows a comparison of unrestricted income and expenditure, 2021 vs 2020:

	2021 £	2020 £
Unrestricted income	164,917	184,081
Unrestricted expenditure	201,670	177,187
Net unrestricted income (before transfers)	(36,753)	6,894
Restricted income	11,638	18,663
Restricted expenditure	13,034	5,778
Net restricted income (before transfers)	(1,396)	12,884

The restricted income includes a grant towards the costs of TLG, the mentoring programme for the local school, a grant to support local families at Christmas and a grant from Sovereign Housing Association of £3000 towards the costs of furniture and equipment for the Foodbank Centre and the Renew Wellbeing Cafe.

At the beginning of the Covid pandemic a Hardship Fund was established for church people who were struggling financially. God has been good, and the need has not been as great as anticipated.

In summary, the trustees are confident that the Church's financial position remains sound. Generous and sacrificial giving from members and other supporters will allow a wide and growing programme of activities to take place. The trustees will take careful note of the financial position when agreeing budgets and setting spending plans for 2022 and beyond, to ensure that the Church's financial position remains sound. This will involve holding an appropriate level of reserves against maintaining an active programme of Church activities.

Grants Policy

The church seeks to give away a minimum of 16% of its unrestricted income to assist missionary activity both in the UK and overseas.

Reserves policy

The church's policy is to maintain a prudent level of free reserves (defined as unrestricted funds, less tangible fixed assets net of long-term loans secured on the fixed assets). The free reserves at 31 December 2021 amount to £16,975 (2020: £56,646). For the purposes of short term and medium-term financial management, the trustees are concerned more with the management of working capital. We endeavor to maintain reserves that cover up to 3 months salaries, costs and church running expenses. This is held in the CAF Gold deposit account which had a balance of £31,989 at 31st December 2021 (2020: £26,586). The giving and activities of the church are dependent on the donations given by members of the church. For this reason, no additional reserves are maintained by the church.

Risk statement

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the church faces and confirm that systems have been established to monitor those risks so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen them.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 21st December 2011 and registered as a charity on 27th January 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held on 21st October 2021 when three directors, William Ross, Ian Thompson and Margaret Thompson, resigned as required by the Governing Document (article 29). William Ross, Ian Thompson and Margaret Thompson were re-appointed as directors.

Management

The spiritual life of the church is run by a team of five Elders, three of whom are trustees.

One of the Elders/Trustees, Will Ross, is a paid employee of the church. Another Elder, Emma Miles, was also Communications Officer and a part-time employee but stepped down from that role in November 2021.

The day to day management of the church is run by a management team comprising of trustees, elders, and various activity team leaders.

The administration is now very much managed by the activity leaders using ChurchSuite software. This is overseen by the Church Communications Officer.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Objective and activities

The trustees and elders are committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at the church and to become part of the fellowship.

When planning our activities for the year we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We endeavour to enable everyone to live out their faith as part of our fellowship through our mission statement.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church building.

Sunday Services

The church offers a choice of two services on Sunday mornings. There is one main Worship Service which commences at 10.30 am and runs for 90 minutes. The second is a separate Communion Service that starts at 9.00 am. At the 10.30 am service we also provide a crèche and separate children's and youth work. On occasional Sunday evenings we meet for worship, prayer, and Bible teaching. On a typical Sunday we see around 100 - 120 people attending the church.

Activities and Community Outreach

It was the intention of those who started the church over 50 years ago to serve and support the local community. Today, the church seeks to do this by offering a variety of activities for its members and for those in the wider community. After stopping most of the church activities in 2020 because of the pandemic it is good to report that most of the activities were started again in 2021.

- Stepping Stones - for parents and toddlers
- Coffee Morning - for the retired
- Seminars and courses - covering topics such as Gifts Discovery, Discipleship, Parenting Course, Well Being Course
- Alpha Courses - aimed at those wishing to discover more about Christianity
- Home Groups - we have 7 small community groups for friendship, support and teaching
- Threads - Woman's Ministry
- Stitch & Craft Evenings
- Lunch Plus - for lonely and vulnerable people
- Youth Bible Study - meeting on a Monday aimed at 14 - 16 year olds
- TLG - a mentoring programme in the local primary school
- Renew Well Being Cafe - was opened in September to support those struggling with their mental health

In addition to the ongoing weekly activities we also provide:

Church Office - the church is open five mornings a week from 9.00 am to 12.00 am. The aim is to have a place where people can come and find help if needed.

Support nationally/locally - The church is committed to continuing its support for Christian organisations and workers in the UK. We have supported organisations where church members are actively involved in outreach and support across the town, such as Money Lifeline, Besom, Foodbank, and The Starfish Enterprise Trust (which supports small community based Christian projects in the town).

In July 2021 the church partnered with Foodbank and setup a centre where clients could come and collect their food locally. The centre operated two mornings a week and was mostly staffed by church members.

Support Internationally - The church is also actively involved with supporting Christian organisations and Christian workers internationally. Church members are actively involved in supporting projects in Chad, India, Bangladesh, Nepal and Ghana. We also support a Christian missionary currently in the UK working on Bible translation. During 2021 we have also given support to a project in Kenya.

Working with other churches - The church is actively involved with OneChurch Basingstoke, the ecumenical body for the town. The church hosts a bi-weekly lunch time meeting for ministers and has also welcomed other churches and leaders for several larger ICB events.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Family Events - due to Covid both the Live Nativity and Green Funday were not able to take place in 2021. However, the church partnered with Chiltern Primary School to put on an Outdoor Carol Service which over 250 people attended.

Community Development

The church has always sought to support the local community. We have done this in several ways:

Supporting the local school - we have very close links to Chiltern Primary School. Every other week Will Ross the Pastor leads an assembly in the school. The school also visits the church on various occasions, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Harvest and other occasions to assist with curriculum studies. Through the TLG Early Intervention scheme the church has provided around 5 coaches to support vulnerable pupils in the school. We have also built links with other primary schools in the town. The church has also worked with the school in supporting needy families and at Christmas provided over 60 hampers to families identified by the school.

Volunteers - the church has over 90 active volunteers, and it has been estimated that the church contributes between 8000 and 9000 voluntary hours a year. An estimation of the annual 'volunteer value' of the church to the community is between £60,000 and £70,000. This is purely the value to the community of our volunteers and does not include any staff costs, seminar costs, pastoral care of local people or any major events that we put on (e.g. Fun Day). This does not take into account those who volunteer for groups outside of the church like Money Lifeline (1 volunteer), Basingstoke Foodbank (7 volunteers), Besom (2 volunteers), Healing on the Streets (1 volunteer), Starfish Enterprise (2 volunteers) and Cedar Tree Counselling (2 volunteers).

Church Building Usage

The church building is now the largest and most versatile community building in Buckskin. We have a main hall that will seat over 180 people, plus other small rooms including a high-tech youth room. The new annexe has four meeting rooms equipped with television screens and wi-fi. The church building has been used by several outside organisations for the benefit of the community. Most days it is used by some kind of group.

Both the Star Playgroup and Chiltern Primary School would normally use the church for their Christmas productions but were unable to in 2021.

Employees

The church employs the following staff;

- full time Pastor
- full time Associate Pastor
- part-time church communications officer
- part-time cleaner
- part-time minute taker
- part-time TLG administrator

A Church in Buckskin for Buckskin

One of the church's major principles is to give and to be generous. Hence the everyday running costs and activities of the church are funded entirely by the congregation. A principle that we have adopted is to give regularly and generously to organisations outside of the church. In addition to the income that goes overseas to mission groups and relief aid, we financially support organisations in the UK.

We believe the church has a major part to play in transforming Buckskin. Our church has the people, resources, and the desire to bring about positive change into the lives of local people. We are all aware of the challenges that lay ahead for our communities as local government budgets and services face cuts. The government are looking to the voluntary sector to help fill some of the gaps that will be left. As a church, we are already serving and supporting the local community of Buckskin and are seeking to develop our role further so that we can share and express the love of God in practical ways.

On Sundays, we run a creche and classes for children up to the age of 11, after which they join the youth group. The increased space in the new annexe has provided a dedicated creche room, individual rooms in which to teach the different age groups that we cater for, together with infant toilets. It also provides additional space for many midweek activities especially for the children's work.

The church is now a Foodbank Hub twice a week and the Wellbeing Café, for lonely and vulnerable people, runs twice a week as well.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Future Plans

The church had planned to employ a part time Family Outreach Worker who will support local families linked to the church through the variety of activities the church runs. It is envisaged that the role would be for 18 hours a week with an initial contract for 2 years being offered. This unfortunately has not been progressed yet due to Covid.

The vision of the church in 2022 revolves around three key themes:

- Refresh - to support people in their mental and spiritual well being
- Rebuild - to build up people's confidence and resilience
- Release - to encourage people to use their gifts and skill in serving the church and local people.

For 2022, plans, activities and events are in place to see the church hopefully restored to its pre pandemic levels of attendance, engagement, and activity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

07893445 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1145653

Registered office

Chiltern Way
Basingstoke
Hampshire
RG22 5BB

Trustees

Darren Skipp - Chairman (appointed as Chairman 21/10/21)
Margaret Thompson - Treasurer
Michael Boys
William Ross
Ian Thompson (resigned as Chairman 21/10/21)
Ashley Boardman
Richard Spiers

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 26th September 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

M. Thompson

Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Buckskin Evangelical Church**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Buckskin Evangelical Church ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

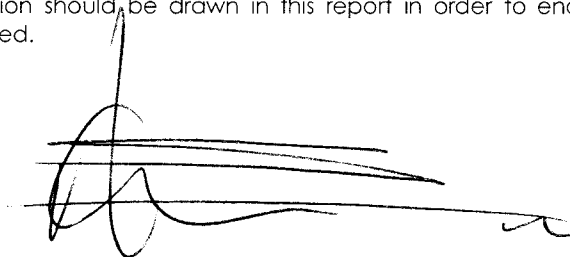
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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



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Date: 10 October 2022

Buckskin Evangelical Church

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.12.21 Total funds £	31.12.20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		159,122	8,638	167,760	190,408
Other trading activities	2	625	-	625	1,519
Investment income	3	6	-	6	48
Other income		5,163	3,000	8,163	10,769
Total		164,916	11,638	176,554	202,744
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		14,759	-	14,759	15,376
Charitable activities					
charitable		183,152	13,034	196,186	164,151
Other		3,758	-	3,758	3,439
Total		201,669	13,034	214,703	182,966
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(36,753)	(1,396)	(38,149)	19,778
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		839,309	14,671	853,980	834,202
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		802,556	13,275	815,831	853,980

The notes form part of these financial statements

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Balance Sheet 31 December 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.12.21 Total funds £	31.12.20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	922,997	-	922,997	932,973
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	3,999	-	3,999	7,485
Cash at bank		43,094	13,275	56,369	92,094
		<u>47,093</u>	<u>13,275</u>	<u>60,368</u>	<u>99,579</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(30,118)	-	(30,118)	(28,262)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>16,975</u>	<u>13,275</u>	<u>30,250</u>	<u>71,317</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>939,972</u>	<u>13,275</u>	<u>953,247</u>	<u>1,004,290</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(137,416)	-	(137,416)	(150,310)
NET ASSETS		<u>802,556</u>	<u>13,275</u>	<u>815,831</u>	<u>853,980</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				802,556	839,309
Restricted funds				13,275	14,671
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>815,831</u>	<u>853,980</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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Balance Sheet - continued
31 December 2021

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on ~~26 September 2022~~ and were signed on its behalf by:

M. Thompson
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Trustee

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Church activities	<u>625</u>	<u>1,519</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>6</u>	<u>48</u>

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4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>9,976</u>	<u>9,975</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

6. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	90,653	86,325
Social Security costs	3,690	3,129
Other pension costs	3,331	3,173
	<u>97,674</u>	<u>92,627</u>

Due to the size of the organisation, all staff are considered to be key management staff.

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.12.21	31.12.20
Full Time Pastor	1	1
Full Time Associate Pastor	1	1
Other Staff	4	4
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	180,745	9,663	190,408
Other trading activities	1,519	-	1,519
Investment income	48	-	48
Other income	1,769	9,000	10,769
Total	<u>184,081</u>	<u>18,663</u>	<u>202,744</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	15,376	-	15,376

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Charitable activities			
charitable	158,372	5,779	164,151
Other	3,439	-	3,439
Total	<u>177,187</u>	<u>5,779</u>	<u>182,966</u>
NET INCOME	6,894	12,884	19,778

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total funds brought forward	832,415	1,787	834,202
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>839,309</u>	<u>14,671</u>	<u>853,980</u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

COST

At 1 January 2021 and
31 December 2021

Freehold
property
£

997,595

DEPRECIATION

At 1 January 2021
Charge for year

64,622
9,976

At 31 December 2021

74,598

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 December 2021

922,997

At 31 December 2020

932,973

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.21 £	31.12.20 £
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>3,999</u>	<u>7,485</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)	12,185	12,185
Trade creditors	9,750	9,750
Social security and other taxes	-	1,992
Other creditors	-	159
Accruals and deferred income	8,183	4,176
	<u>30,118</u>	<u>28,262</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Bank loans (see note 12)	<u>137,416</u>	<u>150,310</u>

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	<u>12,185</u>	<u>12,185</u>
Amounts falling due between two and five years:		
Bank loans - 2-5 years	<u>54,570</u>	<u>54,570</u>
Amounts falling due in more than five years:		
Repayable by instalments:		
Bank loans more 5 yr by instal	82,846	95,740

The building of the annexe took place in 2016 and was partly funded by a 15-year bank loan of £200,000 from CAF Bank secured on the land and buildings. The loan interest is 2.95% above the Bank of England base rate. The terms of repayment were interest only repayments for the first 12 months and full repayment over the remaining 14 years.

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.21	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	839,309	(36,753)	802,556
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	14,671	(1,396)	13,275
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>853,980</u>	<u>(38,149)</u>	<u>815,831</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	164,916	(201,669)	(36,753)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	11,638	(13,034)	(1,396)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>176,554</u>	<u>(214,703)</u>	<u>(38,149)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	832,415	6,894	839,309
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	1,787	12,884	14,671
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>834,202</u>	<u>19,778</u>	<u>853,980</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	184,081	(177,187)	6,894
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	18,663	(5,779)	12,884
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>202,744</u>	<u>(182,966)</u>	<u>19,778</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	832,415	(29,859)	802,556
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	1,787	11,488	13,275
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>834,202</u>	<u>(18,371)</u>	<u>815,831</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	348,997	(378,856)	(29,859)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	30,301	(18,813)	11,488
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>379,298</u>	<u>(397,669)</u>	<u>(18,371)</u>

	At 01/01/21	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31/12/21
General fund	809,192	164,248	175,533	-	797,906
Designated funds					
Mission gifts	617	69	-	-	686
Stepping stones	962	-	375	-	587
Awana fund	-	100	-	-	100
Building funds	28,362	-	25,762	-	2,600
TLG fund	-	500	-	-	500
Threads - Woman's ministries	173	-	-	-	173
Total Unrestricted	<u>839,308</u>	<u>164,917</u>	<u>201,670</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>802,555</u>
Restricted funds					
Building fund	557	-	-	-	557
Gifts	6,294	11,638	11,331	-	6,601
TLG	11	-	-	-	11
Buckskin Hardship fund	7,808	-	1,703	-	6,105
Total Restricted	<u>14,671</u>	<u>11,638</u>	<u>13,034</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,275</u>
Total Funds	<u>853,980</u>	<u>176,555</u>	<u>214,704</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>815,830</u>

The Building Fund exists to upgrade the fabric and facilities of the building in order that it is more cost effective to run.

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

The Church Holiday fund covers specific event for local people.

Restricted Gifts in the year include £9,000 from Worthing Community Trust.

TLG funds cover the mentoring programme for the local school.

Buckskin Hardship Fund was established during 2020 to support people locally suffering as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic.

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2021.

BUCKSKIN EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1145653

Accounts

Registered Company Number: 07893445

Registered Charity Number: 1145653

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**Annual Report and Accounts for the year
ended 31 December 2020**

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name:	Buckskin Evangelical Church	
Charity registration number:	1145653	
Company registration number:	07893445	
Registered office and operational address:	Buckskin Evangelical Church Chiltern Way Basingstoke Hampshire RG22 5BB	
Website:	www.buckskin.org.uk	
Trustees:	Michael Boys Andrew Dossett (resigned 20/07/20) William Ross Ian Thompson Margaret Thompson Ashley Boardman Richard Spiers Darren Skipp	
		Chairman Treasurer
Bankers:	CAF Bank Ltd	
Independent examiner:	Andrew Skilton ACA Brewers Chartered Accountants Bourne House Queen Street Gomshall GU5 9LY	

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Charitable Objectives

The charity's objects for the public benefit are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in Basingstoke and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees may 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 charity.

Our Mission Statement

We are committed to be God's church in Buckskin to:

- Show His love - to those in the community;
- Share His Message - with those around us;
- Strengthen His People - to serve Him;
- Support His Work - in His world;
- Serve Jesus in the Community.

Introduction

Buckskin Evangelical Church was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 21st December 2011, was registered as a charity on 27th January 2012 and became operational on 20th April 2012 when the assets of the previous charitable trust and building trust were transferred to it. This report covers church activities for the year to 31st December 2020.

With Covid19 and government restrictions 2020 was a challenging year for the church. Throughout the year the church continued to operate although some of its services and activities had to be delivered online rather than in person. Thanks to the dedication and work of the staff team and volunteers the church continued to support its members and their families. In 2020 the church has also managed to continue to engage with the local community and the wider town.

Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 21st December 2011 and registered as a charity on 27th January 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held on 20th July 2020 when four directors, Andrew Dossett, Michael Boys, Ashley Boardman and Richard Spiers, resigned as required by the Governing Document (article 29). Michael Boys, Ashley Boardman and Richard Spiers were re-appointed as directors.

Management

The spiritual life of the church is run by a team of six Elders, three of whom are trustees.

One of the elders/trustees, Will Ross, is a paid employee of the church. Another Elder, Emma Miles, is also Communications Officer and a part-time employee. At the end of November, we appointed Stewart Lake as an Associate Pastor and fulltime Elder.

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The day to day management of the church is run by a management team comprising of trustees, elders, and various activity team leaders.

The administration is now very much managed by the activity leaders using ChurchSuite software. This is overseen by the Church Communications Officer.

Objective and activities

The trustees and elders are committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at the church and to become part of the fellowship.

When planning our activities for the year we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We endeavour to enable everyone to live out their faith as part of our fellowship through our mission statement.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church building.

Sunday Services

The church offers a choice of two services on Sunday mornings. There is one main Worship Service which commences at 10.30 am and runs for 90 minutes. The second is a separate Communion Service that starts at 9.15 am. At the 10.30 am service we also provide a crèche and separate children's and youth work. On occasional Sunday evenings we meet for worship, prayer and Bible teaching. On a typical Sunday we see around 150 – 200 people attending the church.

Activities and Community Outreach

It was the intention of those who started the church 50 years ago to serve and support the local community. Today, the church seeks to do this by offering a variety of activities for its members and for those in the wider community. The following activities had been planned for 2020 – some were happening, and some moved online when the lockdown due to the Coronavirus pandemic occurred at the end of March 2020:

- Stepping Stones – for parents and toddlers
- Coffee Morning – for the retired
- Seminars and courses – covering topics such as Gifts Discovery, Discipleship, Parenting Course, Preaching and Teaching.
- Mentoring Adults
- Alpha Courses – aimed at those wishing to discover more about Christianity
- Home Groups – we have 9 small community groups for friendship, support and teaching
- Geared – a group aimed at men who meet to eat, talk and play sports.
- Women's Ministry
- Stitch & Craft Evenings
- Messy Church – held six times a year for primary school children and their parents. It comprises of games, craft, a Bible story and a meal
- Lunch Plus – for lonely and vulnerable people
- Awana Children's Club
- Youth Bible Study – meeting on a Monday aimed at 14 – 16 year olds
- Fire House – a midweek group for young people aged 11 – 13 years old
- TLG – a mentoring programme in the local primary school

In addition to the ongoing weekly activities we also provide:

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Family Events – the church puts on events aimed at the family. These in the past have included a Live Nativity, Messy Church and in September a ‘Green Fun Day’ for the community; unfortunately, none of those took place in 2020 due to the pandemic.

Church Office – the church is open five mornings a week from 9.00 am to 12.00 am. The aim is to have a place where people can come and find help if needed.

Support nationally/locally – The church is committed to continuing its support for Christian organisations and workers in the UK. We have supported organisations where church members are actively involved in outreach and support across the town, such as Money Lifeline, Besom, Foodbank and the Winter Night Shelter which is run by the local churches during the winter months for the homeless in Basingstoke.

Support Internationally – The church is also actively involved with supporting Christian organisations and Christian workers internationally. Church members are actively involved in supporting projects in Chad, India, Bangladesh, Nepal and Ghana. We also support a Christian missionary currently in the UK working on Bible translation. During 2020 we have also given support to projects in Peru, Kenya and Beirut.

Working with other churches – The church is actively involved with OneChurch Basingstoke, the ecumenical body for the town. The church hosts a bi-weekly lunch time meeting for ministers and has also welcomed other churches and leaders for several larger 1CB events.

Winter Night Light Shelter – The Church continued to open its doors to the Night Light Winter Shelter a local project supporting homeless people. Throughout January and February 2020 on a Monday evening, homeless people were offered a bed for the night, a hot meal, and a cooked breakfast. The church was able to offer 15 beds per night although these were not always all taken up. The project was run by volunteers a number of whom were members of the church.

Community Development

The church has always sought to support the local community. We have done this in several ways:

Supporting the local school – we have very close links to Chiltern Primary School. Every other week Will Ross the Pastor leads an assembly in the school. The school also visits the church on various occasions, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Harvest and other occasions to assist with curriculum studies. Through the TLG Early Intervention scheme the church has provided around 15 coaches to support vulnerable pupils in the school. We have also built links with other primary schools in the town.

Volunteers – the church has many volunteers and it has been estimated that the church contributes between 8000 and 9000 voluntary hours a year. An estimation of the annual ‘volunteer value’ of the church to the community is between £60,000 and £70,000. This is purely the value to the community of our volunteers and does not include any staff costs, seminar costs, pastoral care of local people or any major events that we put on (e.g. Fun Day). This does not take into account those who volunteer for groups outside the church like Street Pastors (2 volunteers), Money Lifeline (1 volunteer), Basingstoke Foodbank (6 volunteers), Besom (2 volunteers), Healing on the Streets (1 volunteer) and Cedar Tree Counselling (2 volunteers)

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Church Building Usage

The church building is now the largest and most versatile community building in Buckskin. We have a main hall that will seat over 200 people, plus other small rooms including a high-tech youth room. The new annexe has four meeting rooms equipped with television screens and wi-fi. The church building has been used by several outside organisations for the benefit of the community. Most days it is used by some kind of group.

Both the Star Playgroup and Chiltern Primary School would normally use the church for their Christmas productions but were unable to in 2020.

Employees

The church employs the following staff;

- full time Pastor
- full time Associate Pastor
- part-time church communications officer
- part-time cleaner
- part-time minute taker
- part-time TLG administrator

A Church in Buckskin for Buckskin

One of the church's major principles is to give and to be generous. Hence the everyday running costs and activities of the church are funded entirely by the congregation. A principle that we have adopted is to give regularly and generously to organisations outside of the church. In addition to the income that goes overseas to mission groups and relief aid, we financially support organisations in the UK.

We believe the church has a major part to play in transforming Buckskin. Our church has the people, resources and the desire to bring about positive change into the lives of local people. We are all aware of the challenges that lay ahead for our communities as local government budgets and services face cuts. The government are looking to the voluntary sector to help fill some of the gaps that will be left. As a church, we are already serving and supporting the local community of Buckskin and are seeking to develop our role further so that we can share and express the love of God in practical ways.

On Sundays, we run a creche and classes for children up to the age of 11, after which they join the youth group. The increased space in the new annexe has provided a dedicated creche room, individual rooms in which to teach the different age groups that we cater for, together with infant toilets. It also provides additional space for many midweek activities especially for the children's work. Once again many of these activities have not been possible to run but the groups have met on Zoom.

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Future Plans

The church had planned to employ a part time Family Outreach Worker who will support local families who are linked to the church through the variety of activities the church runs. It is envisaged that the role would be for 18 hours a week with an initial contract for 2 years being offered. Unfortunately, this initiative has not been progressed due to the COVID situation.

When pandemic restrictions are lifted the Church plans to become a Foodbank Hub and to start a Renew Wellbeing Café to reach out to the local community; these are now both in operation.

Financial Review

The following table shows a comparison of unrestricted income and expenditure, 2020 vs 2019;

	2020	2019
Unrestricted income	184,081	159,616
Unrestricted expenditure	177,187	150,313
Net unrestricted income (expenditure before transfers)	6894	9,303
Restricted income	18,663	15,205
Restricted expenditure	5,778	14,530
Net restricted income (expenditure before transfers)	12,884	675

The restricted income includes a grant towards the costs of TLG, the mentoring programme for the local school and a grant to support local church charities at Christmas.

At the beginning of the Covid pandemic a Hardship Fund was established for church people who were struggling financially. God has been good, and the need has not been as great as anticipated.

In summary, the trustees are confident that the Church's financial position remains sound. Generous and sacrificial giving from members and other supporters will allow a wide and growing programme of activities to take place. The trustees will take careful note of the financial position when agreeing budgets and setting spending plans for 2021 and beyond, to ensure that the Church's financial position remains sound. This will involve holding an appropriate level of reserves against maintaining an active programme of Church activities.

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Grants Policy

The church seeks to give away a minimum of 16% of its unrestricted income to assist missionary activity both in the UK and overseas.

Reserves Policy

The church's policy is to maintain a prudent level of free reserves (defined as unrestricted funds, less tangible fixed assets net of long-term loans secured on the fixed assets). The free reserves at 31 December 2020 amount to £56,646 (2019: £50,744). For the purposes of short term and medium-term financial management, the trustees are concerned more with the management of working capital. We endeavor to maintain reserves that cover up to 3 months salaries, costs and church running expenses. This is held in the CAF Gold deposit account which had a balance of £26,586 at 31st December 2020 (2019: £20,566). The giving and activities of the church are dependent on the donations given by members of the church. For this reason, no additional reserves are maintained by the church. For this reason, no additional reserves are maintained by the church.

Risk Statement

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the church faces and confirm that systems have been established to monitor those risks so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen them.

Trustees' Responsibilities

Under the Charities Act 1993, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of accounts for each accounting year which gives a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the church.

They are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
2. Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed
4. Prepare the financial statements on an ongoing basis

They are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the church and to ensure that such accounts and records comply with the Charities Act 1993.

They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or any other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurances that:

1. The church is operating efficiently and effectively
2. Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition
3. Financial information used within the church or for publication is reliable

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4. The church complies with relevant laws and regulations

The Trustees of the church meet regularly to review and manage the activities of the church. In this they are led by the Elders and supported by the Leadership Team of the church.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 14th September.....2021 and signed on its behalf by:

M Thompson

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Mrs M Thompson - Trustee

Buckskin Evangelical Church

Independent Examiner's Report

For the year end 31st December 2020

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

For the year ended 31st December 2020

I report to the trustees (who are also Directors for the purpose of company law) on my examination of the financial statements of Buckskin Evangelical Church ('the charitable company') for the year ended 31st December 2020 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of charitable company, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charitable company's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act') and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charitable company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

A M SKILTON ACA

Brewers Chartered Accountants
Bourne House, Queen Street
Gomshall, Surrey, GU5 9LY



Dated 29 September 2021

Buckskin Evangelical Church
Independent Examiner's Report
For the year end 31st December 2020

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(Including Income and Expenditure Account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2020	Restricted Funds 2020	Total Funds 2020	All Unrestricted and Restricted 2019
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		180,743	9,663	190,407	165,334
Income from charitable activities		1,519	-	1,519	4,398
Investments		48	-	48	86
Other income	2	1,769	9,000	10,769	5,000
Total income and endowments from:		184,081	18,663	202,744	174,820
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		15,374	-	15,374	16,677
Expenditure on charitable activities		158,372	5,778	164,151	144,804
Other expenditure		3,439	-	3,439	3,359
Total expenditure:		177,187	5,778	182,966	164,842
Net income/ (expenditure)		6,894	12,884	19,778	9,977
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net income/ (expenditure)		6,894	12,884	19,778	9,977
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		832,414	1,786	834,201	824,223
Total funds carried forward		839,309	14,671	853,980	834,201

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BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Registered company number: 07893445

	Note	2019 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	7	932,973	942,948
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	7,485	6,043
Cash at Bank and in hand		92,094	76,858
		99,579	82,901
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(28,262)	(28,966)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		71,317	53,935
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,004,290	996,883
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	10	(150,310)	(162,681)
NET ASSETS		853,980	834,202
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	12	839,309	831,011
Restricted fund	12	14,671	3,191
		853,980	834,202

For the year ended 31 December 2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 14th September 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

M Thompson
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Mrs M. Thompson – Trustee

The notes on pages 14 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

Buckskin Evangelical Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Church's ability to continue as a going concern thus the Church continues to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

Income

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The church makes contributions to the minister's personal pension plan on a defined contribution basis and is registered with Smart Pension as an Auto Enrolment provider.

Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets acquired for use by the charity are capitalised and depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Items of equipment costing less than £3,000 are written off on purchase. Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Land and buildings	1% on cost
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Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount repaid net of any trade discounts due.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured of estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Financial Instruments

The church only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. These are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement values.

	2020 £	2019 £
2 GRANTS RECEIVED		
Worting Comm Trust	9,000	3,000
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	1,769	2,000
*GRANT TOTAL	<u>10,769</u>	<u>5,000</u>
3 NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		
Net income / (expenditure) is after charging:		
Depreciation	<u>9,975</u>	<u>9,975</u>
4 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
4a Activities undertaken directly		
Staff costs and expenses	93,509	70,363
Church activities	13,575	14,777
Church running expenses	<u>37,385</u>	<u>30,870</u>
	<u>144,469</u>	<u>116,010</u>

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4b Grant funding activities		
Grants to Institutions		
Mission Gifts:		
Childs Trust	3504	4484
Open Arms International	500	
Beirut Emergency	500	
Capstone Ministry - Ghana	400	300
Samaritans Purse - East Africa Cyclone	0	500
Luke Davies	0	300
Starfish Ent - OneCB - Try Praying	0	498
UK Mission		
Open Arms Beehive Project	0	491
Salvation Army	0	250
Night Shelter	0	1000
Basingstoke Foodbank	0	1450
Besom	0	450
Christmas Hampers	0	396
Total Grants to Institutions	4904	10119
Grant to Individuals:		
Mission Gifts:		
MAF - S&K Machell	8004	8004
Matthew & Helen Skirton	4174	4002
Stewardship - E&E Zarate Peru	500	0
A Evans - Wycliffe	1500	1500
Cranleigh Church	0	2294
Gifts:		
Gifts more than £1,000 each	3000	0
Gifts less than £1,000 each	5849	1939
Stewart & Lypisse Lake - relocation costs	0	7467
Total Grants to Individuals	23027	25206
TOTAL GRANTS FUNDING ACTIVITIES	27931	35325
4c Support costs		
Photocopier costs	1949	572
Car Park lease	0	1597
Postage, printing & stationery	675	1014
Telephone	499	519
Governance - Independent examination fee	1764	1764
Interest on bank mortgage	5399	6703
Legal fees	0	1279
Other costs	280	60
	10566	13508

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Trustees' expenses

Total trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2019: NIL (2019: £5,688).

Trustee indemnity insurance is included within the insurance cost for the year.

6 STAFF COSTS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages and salaries	86,325	61,092
Social security costs	3,129	1,489
Other pension costs	3,173	2,520
	<u>92,627</u>	<u>65,101</u>

Due to the size of the organisation, all staff are considered to be key management staff.
Full-time Associate Pastor appointed in November 2019.

The average monthly number of employees (headcount) during the year was as follows:

	2020 Headcount	2019 Headcount
Pastor & associate		
Pastor (full time)	2	1
Youth worker (part-time 2019)	0	1
Other staff (part time)	4	4
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Freehold Land and Buildings £

COST / VALUATION

At 1 January 2020	997,595
Additions in year	-
Balance at 31 December 2020	<u>997,595</u>

DEPRECIATION

At 1 January 2020	54,647
Charge for the year	9,975
Balance at 31 December 2020	<u>64,622</u>

NET BOOK VALUE

At December 2020	<u>932,973</u>
At December 2019	<u>942,948</u>

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8 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020 £	2019 £
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>7485</u>	<u>6,043</u>

9 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Trade creditors	9,750	10,341
Taxation and social security	1,992	1,581
Accruals	4,176	4,436
Loan repayments due within one year	12,185	12,184
Pension	<u>159</u>	<u>424</u>
	<u>28,262</u>	<u>28,966</u>

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0 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

The building of the annexe took place in 2016 and was partly funded by a 15-year bank loan of £200,000 from CAF Bank secured on the land and buildings. The loan interest is 2.95% above the Bank of England base rate. The terms of repayment were interest only repayments for the first 12 months and full repayment over the remaining 14 years.

	2020 £	2019 £
Long term loan repayments due within 2 to 5 years	54,570	54,570
Long term loan repayments due after more than 5 years	<u>95,740</u>	<u>108,111</u>
	<u>150,310</u>	<u>162,681</u>

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11 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/20	Income	Expenditure	Transfers between funds	At 31/12/20
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	792,171	174,671	156,117	-13270	797,455
Designated funds					
Mission	0	6,685	18,909	12,224	0
Stepping Stones	1039		75		964
Awana Fund	0	140	280	140	0
Building Funds	37,800	650			38,450
Hamper Gift Fund	0		368	368	0
Youth Fund	0		538	538	0
TLG Fund	0	1,900	900	1,000	
Threads - Woman's Ministries					35
Total Unrestricted	831,010	184,081	177,187	0	837,904
Restricted funds					
Basingstoke Flood Relief fund	1058				1058
Building Auditorium Fund	869				869
Childs Trust	147	25	172		0
Mission projects	67				67
Church holiday	74				74
Gifts	965	9430	4206		6,189
TLG	11				11
	0	9208	1400		7,808
Total Restricted	3,191	18,663	5,778	0	16,076
TOTAL FUNDS	834,201	202,744	182,965	0	853,980

The Flood Relief fund was set up in 2014 to provide help to those affected by the floods. The remaining balance will be used for the community that the flood affected.

The Building Fund exists to develop the new annexe of the church and to enlarge the main auditorium. As the building has now been brought in to use, the fund has been released to unrestricted funds with the approval of the trustees.

The Church Holiday fund covers specific event for local people

Restricted Gifts in the year include £9,000 from Worting Community Trust

TLG funds cover the mentoring programme for the local school

Buckskin Hardship Fund was established during 2020 to support people locally suffering as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic.

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12 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

2020	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £
Fixed assets	932,973	-	932,973
Net current assets	56,646	14,671	71,317
Long term liabilities	(150,310)	-	(150,310)
	<u>839,309</u>	<u>14,671</u>	<u>853,980</u>

2019	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019 £
Fixed assets	942,948	-	942,948
Net current assets	50,744	3,191	53,935
Long term liabilities	(162,681)	-	(162,681)
	<u>831,011</u>	<u>3,191</u>	<u>834,202</u>

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Including Income and Expenditure Account) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Unrestricted funds 2019 £	Restricted funds 2019 £	Total funds 2019 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Voluntary Income			
Donations and Legacies	151,046	11,305	162,351
Building: Auditorium	2,985	-	2,985
Grant: Church annexe building fund	2,000	3,000	5,000
	<u>156,031</u>	<u>14,305</u>	<u>170,336</u>
Charitable Activities			
Church Activities	3,498	900	4,398
Investment income			
Deposit account interest	87	-	87
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS	<u>159,616</u>	<u>15,205</u>	<u>174,821</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities			
Activities undertaken directly	114,136	1,874	116,010
Grant funding activities	22,669	12,656	35,325
Support	13,508	-	13,508
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>150,313</u>	<u>14,530</u>	<u>164,843</u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFERS	9,303	675	9,978
Transfers between funds	-	-	-
	<u>9,303</u>	<u>675</u>	<u>9,978</u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)			
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:			
Total funds brought forward	821,708	2,516	824,224
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>831,011</u></u>	<u><u>3,191</u></u>	<u><u>834,202</u></u>