

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR HEBRON CHURCH

STOCKTON-ON-TEES 2023

Reg'n. No. 1148693

Britannia Road, Stockton-on-Tees TS19 0AP

Trustees: Graham Edwards, Koen Hellendoorn, Jennet McKie

Hebron Church is an independent evangelical church situated in an area of poverty with problems of mental health and drug and alcohol addiction. The church started in 1869 and has been in our present building since 1900 which is when it was built. The building is owned by Church Growth Trust from whom we rent it.

We have a trust deed and the present three trustees are all involved in the church. New trustees are chosen from the church members by the present trustees. There are two elders who are also trustees and one deacon. We do not have a pastor or minister. The only paid person is our cleaner – two hours per week. He finished in October and the new cleaner does not wish to be paid for her services.

The weekly activities of the church are as follows:

Sundays:

- 10.30am Morning service including Communion and Sunday School
- 4pm Evening service (winter months)
- 6pm Evening service (summer months)
- But on 1st Sunday of month: Communion 10.30am then 11.15am Family service

Mondays:

- 2.30pm Ladies meeting
- 7pm Bible study (Men's one week, Ladies next week)

Tuesdays:

- 10am-12noon Carpet Bowls
- 6-8pm Carpet Bowls

Wednesdays:

- 10am-1pm Foodbank

Thursdays:

- 10.15am Coffee & Chat (first Thursday of the month)
- 6-7pm Pathfinders (for Primary school children) (term time)
- 7.30pm Prayer meeting (on Zoom)

Fridays:

- 10am-1pm Foodbank
- 6-7.15pm Pathos (for Senior school children) (term time)

Saturdays:

- 8.30am Prayer meeting (monthly prior to Family service)

Over the past year the congregation has increased a little with people from abroad. All our services and activities are open to the general public and several of these would be attended by a greater number of those outside the church fellowship. We are therefore providing a Public Benefit to these – particularly, Carpet Bowls, Foodbank, Pathfinders and Pathos.

We held special services at Christmas and Easter and had a Church Away Day at a Village Hall in North Yorkshire.

Over 500 Good News Papers are distributed around the church every two months with Calendars also in December. We also collect over 200 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child which are sent to children in poorer countries.

Our finances are provided by our weekly offerings on Sunday mornings and regular giving by members by direct debit and bank transfers. Thankfully we have been able to meet all our commitments without difficulty.

Funds in the bank have increased over the year and at the end of the year we held balances totalling £34158.77. The great majority was in the General and Building Funds. We aim to hold at least £1000 as a reserve in our General Fund. We have opened a Hardship Fund for the church to help the needs of others.

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REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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Hebron Church, Stockton on Tees
Legal and Administrative Details
For the year ended 31 December 2023

Correspondence Address	Bishopton Road Stockton-on-Tees TS19 0AJ
Charity Registration Number	1148693
Trustees responsible for managing the Charity	Graham Edwards Jennet McKie Koen Hellendoorn
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Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Total 2023
Income	
General	11,228.56
Missionary	6,058.96
Building	5,493.62
Hardship Fund	1,592.00
Church Day Away	17.50
Gift Aid Tax	5,758.53
Interest Received	356.70
Total Income	<u>30,505.87</u>
Expenditure	
Bank Charges	89.49
Catering	6.00
Cleaning	1,184.41
Gas, Water & Electric	1,592.80
Insurance	955.22
Legal Fees	345.50
Literature	2,338.50
Maintenance	1,854.94
Missionaries	6,872.00
Rent	350.00
Speakers Expenses	50.00
Special Gifts	2,771.13
Subscriptions	772.97
Young People	244.14
Total Expenditure	<u>19,427.10</u>
Net movement in funds	11,078.77
Cash funds as at last year end	<u>23,865.00</u>
Cash funds as at this year end	<u><u>34,943.77</u></u>

Hebron Church, Stockton on Tees
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Total £
Bank Account Carried Forward December 2022	7,883.27
Business Money Manager Account Carried Forward December 2022	15,981.73
Total	<u>23,865.00</u>
Bank Account Brought Forward December 2023	2,846.81
Business Money Manager Account Brought Forward December 2023	32,096.96
Total	<u>34,943.77</u>

Hebron Church, Stockton on Tees
Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2023

Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.



Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Hebron Church, Stockton on Tees

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hebron Church, Stockton on Tees for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are attached to this report.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

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:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with the records

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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Leanne Ladds FMAAT AATQB
L Ladds Bookkeeping & Accountancy

27 September 2024

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