



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' annual report (including Directors' report) for the period

From: 1 Jan 2020 Period start date

To: 31 Dec 2020 Period end date

Charity name: Horam Chapel

Charity registration number: 1148895

Company number: 08163391

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Charity's objects for the public benefit are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statements of beliefs.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The Charity's objects are achieved by regular activities including Sunday morning services, children's clubs, social events for the local community and supporting other Christians and Christian organisations throughout the United Kingdom and the rest of the world.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The regular activities not only achieve public benefit through the advancement of the Christian faith, but through the encouragement of congregational members and others to positively and actively contribute to their local community.

Additional information:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The Trustees apply the funds of Horam Chapel at their discretion and in accordance with the charitable purpose and objectives of the charity.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers enable all of the Horam Chapel's faith and community activities to function and, with the exception of the Minister, all the Trustees give their time freely.

Achievements and performance

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>Weekly up to 23/03/2020</p> <p>Sunday Morning Service – this was well attended with an average of 35 people attending each week. The worship, Bible teaching and sharing together has been effective in supporting many in their journey of faith.</p> <p>Mothers & Toddlers – this has been regularly attended by 8 - 10 parents or carers and their preschool children for socialising, music and singing.</p> <p>Treasure Seekers – 15 - 20 children aged between 4 and 9 regularly attended. During an evening, the children enjoy a time of games, craft and quizzes centred on a Bible theme.</p> <p>BiF – 10 - 15 children aged between 9 and 12 regularly attended and spent time sharing together, team building activities and crafts structured around a Bible topic.</p> <p>Every other week</p> <p>Tea Club – good numbers of retired people enjoyed a time of socialising, afternoon tea and a short Bible based talk.</p> <p>Covid</p> <p>Following the first lockdown, the church was able to maintain weekly service on a Sunday by using video conferencing.</p> <p>This was continued until government guidance allowed meeting together in person which was carefully managed in line with government guidelines.</p> <p>Throughout this time we were able continue to keep connected and support those associated with the church.</p> <p>Supporting the Wider Christian Community</p> <p>The Chapel was able to provide financial support to other Christians and Christian Organisations as part of its objective to advance the Christian faith for public benefit.</p> <p>Through regular collections of food, we were able to pass these on to the local Foodbank for distribution to those in need in the local community.</p>
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Additional information:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Through the regular activities described above the objectives of advancing the Christian faith can be demonstrated.
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Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of the financial period, the financial position was in line with the budget set and agreed by the members. Since 2019, we have not had a Minister serving the Church and through the pandemic, we did not pursue recruiting to the vacant position so there was no salaried staff at the Chapel through 2020. Income remained reasonably consistent so over the course of the year so there was a surplus at the end of the financial period.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Trustees seek to exercise faith in the sufficiency of God, however as good stewards we aim to keep a small reserve to cover any unexpected costs that may arise. The period without the services of a full-time minister will enable reserves to be built up in order to give security of employment for a new incumbent when the time is right.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to cover at least 3 months running costs for the Chapel.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	There was no material deficit at the end of the 2020 financial year

Additional information

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principle source of funding is through member donations which cover running costs associated with the Chapel.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principle risks for the charity are related to income and volunteers, both of which are totally reliant on a good church membership. As a church, the aim of advancing the Christian faith should as a direct consequence maintain and grow a healthy number of members to enable the charity to continue.

Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts

Type of governing document:	Para 1.25	Memorandum and Articles of Association for a Charitable Company
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The process for appointment of Trustees is detailed in the sections 31 – 35 of the Articles of Association.

Reference and administrative details

Charity name	Horam Chapel
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1148895
Charity's principal address	High Street, Horam, Heathfield, East Sussex TN21 0ER

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	David Anderson	Chair		
2	Philip Cottingham	Secretary		
3	Helen Johnson			
4	Keith Delves			



Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

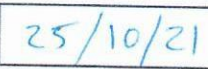
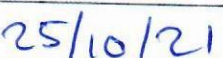
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)  

Full name(s)  

Position (for example Secretary, Chair, etc)  

Date  

Horam Chapel
Financial Summary for 2020

END OF YEAR SUMMARY

Horam Chapel Accounts Update as at: 31-Dec-20

Enter Year: 2020

End of Month: 12

INCOME	Actual to Date	Budget to date	Budget - Year	EXPENDITURE	Actual to Date	Budget to date	Budget - Year
Planned Giving(STO/DD etc)	16,060.00	17,400.00	17,400.00	Children's Groups(Toddler/BIF/TS)	129.60	450.00	450.00
Weekly Collections	1,976.00	4,200.00	4,200.00	Family/Youth Work	-	400.00	400.00
Gift Day	-	-	-	Staff Salaries etc	-	-	-
Other Donations	20,000.00	-	-	Minister expenses	-	-	-
Gift Aid Recovered	-	4,500.00	4,500.00	Preaching Fees	2,600.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Total giving :	38,036.00	26,100.00	26,100.00	Cost of Ministry	-	300.00	300.00
				Giving to Others & Mission(ary) Giving	4,880.00	2,880.00	2,880.00
				Utilities	2,426.27	3,200.00	3,200.00
Holiday Club	-	-	-	Insurances	952.55	1,000.00	1,000.00
Bank Refund	-	-	-	Annual Licences/Memberships	756.98	1,000.00	1,000.00
Legacies	-	-	-	Holiday Club	-	600.00	600.00
Interest	-	-	-	Social Action & Community	45.14	600.00	600.00
Horam Christian Care	-	200.00	200.00	Materials & Resources	59.95	700.00	700.00
Hall/Room Hire	-	-	-	Training	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	196.99	200.00	200.00	Office & Cleaning Supplies	-	440.00	440.00
Youth Work	-	-	-	Refreshments (for all activities)	-	200.00	200.00
Receipt for Events (restricted funds)	43.00	-	-	Events	45.00	-	-
				Miscellaneous	150.00	500.00	500.00
TOTALS =	£ 38,275.99	£ 26,500.00	£ 26,500.00	TOTALS =	£ 12,045.49	£ 16,770.00	£ 16,770.00
				Routine Annual Maintenance	794.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
				Maintenance 'Projects' (funded from Gen Funds)	12,175.39	11,250.00	11,250.00
				TOTALS =	£ 25,014.88	£ 29,020.00	£ 29,020.00



NEIL THOMAS FCA



My ref: NT/H10

11 May 2021

The Elders
Horam Chapel
Horam
Heathfield
East Sussex TN21 0ER

FAO: Wendy Kingshott

Dear Elders

Horam Chapel

I confirm that I have carried out my Independent Examination of the Income & Expenditure of the Chapel for the year ended 31 December 2020 as requested and confirm that they are in accordance with supporting information.

Yours sincerely,



Neil Thomas FCA