

CHURCH LANE EVANGELICAL CHURCH, STAFFORD

England & Wales · Charity number 1152176

Details

Other names CLEC

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2013-05-24

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE, AND AS THE TRUSTEES SEE FIT, TO ADVANCE EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANITY IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES. THESE OBJECTS MAY BE PURSUED ANYWHERE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TRUSTEES.

Activities: This church provides a place of worship and regular worship services in an open manner to welcome all in the community to exercise, explore and develop their faith in Jesus Christ. It provides weekly age-appropriate activities to support and benefit people in the community. A percentage of its income is used to support other Christian activity.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Staffordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£88,101	£82,160	-	-
2023-12-31	£76,344	£71,925	-	-
2022-12-31	£66,730	£73,429	-	-
2021-12-31	£99,802	£150,682	-	-
2020-12-31	£107,650	£131,748	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan Medway	Chair	2013-04-13
ANDREW RICHARD COOK		2013-04-13
Shingirayi Kapfunde		2015-01-01

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Accounts

Charity No. : 1152176

**Church Lane Evangelical Church
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)**

Financial Statements

**For the year ended
31st December 2024**

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**Church Lane Evangelical Church
Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

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Solicitors:

Hand Morgan Owen
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Trustees:

A Medway Chair
A Cook
S Kapfunde

Elders (Managing Trustees) who served during the year:

A Cook Chair
A Medway Secretary
S Harrison Pastor
S Kapfunde
J Morris
A Summers

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for the year ended 31 December 2024**

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During 2024, a number of people across a range of ages settled with the worship life of the church. In addition, a number of others attended church activities for the first time. A team of women in the church started to work on a series of social evenings to help develop those opportunities.

The church continued to employ a full-time pastor, a part-time administrator and a part-time cleaner.

Our Pastor, Stephen, was supported to take the opportunity to spend some time in May in Uganda, helping with the support of other pastors, in a visit organised by Mission 24.

The church website, www.clec.org.uk, remained relevant in promoting the values and activities of the church. People continue to make their first visit to the church because of the good introduction given by the website. Recordings of church service talks continue to be uploaded on to a church YouTube channel, linked from the webpage. The church Privacy Notice and Safeguarding Policy are published on the website.

Later in the year, the church started to consider some changes to publicity and signage to promote the name – Church Lane Everybody's Church.

At the start of the year, asylum seekers, who had been attending church, were all moved on to other parts of the country. Many were able to return for a short reunion in April.

During the summer holidays, a large contingent of the families, youth leaders and young people took part in the locally set DTI (Dreaming the Impossible) youth camp.

In the autumn, a small group was established to provide a monthly worship service at the Meadowfields Care Home.

Root and Branches was established as a means of developing fellowship through regular Bible-reading and prayer in small groups.

With many initiatives and activities and with the regular worship-life and prayer-life of the church building people's faith and connection, 2024 was a year when adults and teenagers were baptised, and also young children were dedicated to the church.

Church Lane provided a proportion of its funds from weekly collections for Christian organisations and individual missionary workers – including Mission Aviation Fellowship and Fountains Counselling.

The Church supports other inter-church initiatives in the town – such as The Youth Net, House of Bread and Stafford Street Pastors.

The Church also provided some funding for the youth group to be able to create a new space in the upstairs room, with some new furnishings, equipment and the painting of a mural.

**Church Lane Evangelical Church
Report of the Trustees (continued)
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

The Trustees are very grateful for the work of the other Elders and the church members, who all serve and give of their time and resources to support one another and be a Christian witness in their communities.

The Trustees are Alan Medway (Chair), Andrew Cook, and Shingi Kapfunde.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

We ended the year with a surplus of £5,941 (2023: £4,419). Income has increased in all areas, in particular regular giving. Overall expenditure has also increased from the previous year. The largest increases were seen in property expenditure, with increased maintenance, replacements of equipment and in light and heat costs. There were also increases to both ministry and missionary costs.

It is the church's policy to tithe our general fund income at the end of the year towards missionary projects chosen and prayed about during the year. A total of £8,160 (2023: £7,380) was sent.

The church's policy on holding financial reserves is to enable a sound financial base for future years. As all the income is voluntary, there is no certainty of income levels from year to year. Included within the current reserves are designated funds for both a salary/running costs reserve of £8,500 (in order to ensure these costs could be paid for at least 3 months), and a strategic/emergency reserve of £15,000. These amounts are reviewed from time to time.

It is the church's policy to invest the funds in a bank account up to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme current limit of £85,000 in any one institution. We are currently below these limits.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



A Medway - Chair

Date 16/03/25

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Church Lane Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The church's trustees, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under s144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- * examine the accounts under s145 of the 2011 Act,
- * to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under s145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- * to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
- * to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of the 2011 Act, and
 - * to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met, or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr T Herriott ACA BA
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15 Briarsleigh
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Date: 12/4/2025

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	79,687	1,411	81,098	71,935
Charitable activities	6,520	-	6,520	4,086
Investments	483	-	483	323
Total Income	86,690	1,411	88,101	76,344
Expenditure on:				
Charitable Activities	79,957	1,411	81,368	71,133
Other	792	-	792	792
Total Expenditure	80,749	1,411	82,160	71,925
Net Incoming Resources	5,941	-	5,941	4,419
Fund Balances brought forward at 1st January 2024	1,036,466	-	1,036,466	1,032,046
Transfers between Funds	-	-	-	-
Fund Balances carried forward at 31st December 2024	1,042,407	-	1,042,407	1,036,466

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31st December 2024

	Note	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Fixed Assets	4		995,992		995,992
Current Assets					
Debtors	5	4,889		3,717	
Cash at bank and in hand	6	53,350		48,476	
		<u>58,239</u>		<u>52,193</u>	
Creditors Due Within One Year	7		<u>11,824</u>		<u>11,719</u>
Net Current Assets			<u>46,415</u>		<u>40,474</u>
	10		<u>1,042,407</u>		<u>1,036,466</u>
Accumulated Funds					
Unrestricted Funds	8		1,042,407		1,036,466
Restricted Funds	9		-		-
Balance at 31st December 2024			<u>1,042,407</u>		<u>1,036,466</u>
			-		-

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 16/03/25 and were signed on its behalf by



A Medway - Chair

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2016) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees are of the opinion that Church is able to meet its liabilities as they fall due and that the going concern basis is appropriate.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified to include the freehold Grade II listed and adjacent buildings at a valuation.

Change in basis

There have been no changes to the accounting policies during the year.

Property

The property in Church Lane is held by the CIO.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been charged on a straight line basis as follows:

- Furniture & Fixtures - 10%
- Computer & PA Equipment - 25%

Depreciation has not been charged on freehold property as any depreciation is considered immaterial.

Expenditure under £5,000 is not normally capitalised.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

Fund Accounting

Funds held by the Church are either:

- Unrestricted Funds -** funds which can be used in accordance with the Church's objects at the discretion of the Elders.
- Designated Funds -** funds set aside out of general funds for specific purposes.
- Restricted Funds -** funds that can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the church. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

Income

All income is recognised once the church has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of ministry, training, church activities, mission, administration, and property.

Other expenditure represents those items not classified as relating to charitable activities.

Inter-Church Group Consolidation

Where one church group donates to another, the income and expenditure is eliminated from each balance and is classed as a transfer to the other. (See notes 8 and 9).

Taxation

The church is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Pension costs

The church operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Since October 2016 we have had to also comply with the Auto Enrolment regulations set out by The Pensions Regulator. Contributions paid are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

2. Income from:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
<u>Donations and legacies</u>				
- Gift Aided Collections	52,074	-	52,074	51,684
- Non-Gift Aided Collections	12,460	-	12,460	6,381
- Donations	500	1,411	1,911	700
- Gift Aid Tax refunds	13,654	-	13,654	13,169
- Legacies	1,000	-	1,000	-
	<u>79,687</u>	<u>1,411</u>	<u>81,098</u>	<u>71,935</u>
<u>Charitable activities</u>				
- Donations for use of hall	703	-	703	500
- Dreaming the Impossible	1,597	-	1,597	-
- Active Groups	1,541	-	1,541	1,088
- Acorns	2,679	-	2,679	2,498
	<u>6,520</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,520</u>	<u>4,086</u>
<u>Investments</u>				
- Gross Interest Received	483	-	483	323
Total Income	<u><u>86,690</u></u>	<u><u>1,411</u></u>	<u><u>88,101</u></u>	<u><u>76,344</u></u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
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3. Expenditure on:	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2024</u>	<u>Total 2023</u>
	£	£	£	£
<u>Charitable Activities</u>				
Ministry				
- Gross Salary	36,108	-	36,108	34,974
- Pension	896	-	896	862
- Ministerial Allowances	149	-	149	481
- Travel	292	-	292	234
- Telephone	213	-	213	182
Other Ministry/Training				
- Visiting Speakers	55	-	55	250
- Training & Resources	216	-	216	253
- Going for God/ Resonate	61	-	61	13
- DTI	2,062	-	2,062	435
Church Activities				
- Communion Expenses	15	-	15	18
- Active Groups	86	-	86	295
- Acorns	1,505	-	1,505	1,375
Administration				
- Gross Salary	3,664	-	3,664	3,341
- Office Running expenses	148	-	148	127
- Telephone	320	-	320	558
Mission				
- Missionaries/Societies	8,160	1,411	9,571	7,380
	<u>53,949</u>	<u>2,822</u>	<u>56,770</u>	<u>50,778</u>

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	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2024</u>	<u>Total 2023</u>
	£	£	£	£
<u>Charitable Activities Continued</u>				
brought forward	53,949	1,411	55,360	50,778
Property				
- Light & Heat	6,962	-	6,962	5,648
- Insurance	2,111	-	2,111	1,978
- Building Maintenance	6,290	-	6,290	-
- Repairs & Renewals	734	-	734	222
- Equipment Maintenance	85	-	85	726
- Cleaning & Other Expenses	3,850	-	3,850	3,931
- Minor Fixtures & Equipment	4,666	-	4,666	855
Sundries				
- Refreshments & Catering	321	-	321	244
- Copyright Licence	85	-	85	375
- Computer/Tech Expenses	408	-	408	640
- Subscriptions	242	-	242	213
- Sundries	255	-	255	5,524
Total Charitable Activities	<u>79,957</u>	<u>1,411</u>	<u>81,368</u>	<u>71,133</u>
 <u>Other</u>				
- Bank Charges	142	-	142	157
- Independent Examination	650	-	650	635
Total Other	<u>792</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>792</u>	<u>792</u>
 Total Expenditure	<u><u>80,749</u></u>	<u><u>1,411</u></u>	<u><u>82,160</u></u>	<u><u>71,925</u></u>

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4. Tangible Fixed Assets

	<u>Freehold Property</u>	<u>Furniture & Fixtures</u>	<u>Computer & PA Equipment</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£	£	£	
Cost or Valuation				
At 1st January 2024	995,992	19,335	10,471	1,025,798
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2024	<u>995,992</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>1,025,798</u>
Depreciation				
At 1st January 2024	-	19,335	10,471	29,806
Charge for the year	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>29,806</u>
Net Book Value				
At 31st December 2024	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>
At 31st December 2023	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>

5. Debtors

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Accrued Income - Gift Aid Tax	3,637	3,030
Prepayments	1,252	687
	<u>4,889</u>	<u>3,717</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

6. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Lloyds Bank Plc Current Account	7,451	4,689
Lloyds Bank Plc Deposit Account	42,312	41,630
Day/Morning For Retired Account	1,613	758
Acorns Account	1,959	1,385
Youth Club Float	15	15
	<u>53,350</u>	<u>48,476</u>

7. Creditors Due Within One Year

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Creditors for Goods and Services	951	1,117
Other Creditors	381	638
Social Security & Other Taxes	1,682	1,819
Accruals and Deferred Income	8,810	8,145
	<u>11,824</u>	<u>11,719</u>

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8. Movement in Funds - Unrestricted Funds

	Balance at 01.01.24	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.24
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,010,808	82,470	(79,158)	1,200	1,015,320
Designated - Salary/running costs Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic/emergency Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Active Groups	758	1,541	(86)	(600)	1,613
Designated - Youth Work Fund	15	-	-	-	15
Designated - Acorns Fund	1,385	2,679	(1,505)	(600)	1,959
	1,036,466	86,690	(80,749)	-	1,042,407
Comparative year	Balance at 01.01.23	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.23
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,006,705	72,758	(70,255)	1,600	1,010,808
Designated - Salary/running costs Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic/emergency Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Active Groups	965	1,088	(295)	(1,000)	758
Designated - Youth Work Fund	15	-	-	-	15
Designated - Acorns Fund	862	2,498	(1,375)	(600)	1,385
	1,032,046	76,344	(71,925)	-	1,036,466

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10. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Y/e 31/12/24	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	58,239	-	58,239
Creditors due within one year	(11,824)	-	(11,824)
Total Net Assets	1,042,407	-	1,042,407

Y/e 31/12/23	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	52,193	-	52,193
Creditors due within one year	(11,719)	-	(11,719)
Total Net Assets	1,036,466	-	1,036,466

11. Emoluments of Employees

	2024	2023
	£	£
Salary & Wages	43,262	41,495
Social Security costs	-	-
Pension Costs	896	862
	44,158	42,356

The employers social security costs were covered by the Employment Allowance.

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

	2024	2023
Pastor	1	1
Administration	1	1
Cleaner	1	1
	3	3

There were no employees whose emoluments exceeded £60,000 either this year or last year.

12. Trustees and other Related Parties

There were no expenses claimed related to being a trustee.

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S Kapfunde
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A Summers
J Wickens (on sabbatical)

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship at Church Lane settled in 2023 and church activities also became well re-established. Zoom remained a small part of church life and connection, but church members were on the whole comfortable to attend in person.

The Elders of the Church had further discussions with church members about the name of the church and agreed that the word Evangelical would be dropped from the name, and that the new name would become 'Church Lane Everybody's Church'. We are actively working towards making this official.

The church continued to employ a full-time pastor, a part-time administrator and a part-time cleaner.

The church website, www.clec.org.uk, remained relevant in promoting the values and activities of the church. Many had come along to church because of the good introduction given by the website. Recordings of church service talks continue to be uploaded on to a church YouTube channel, linked from the webpage. The church Privacy Notice and Safeguarding Policy are published on the website.

At the start of the year the church was still running a Warm Spaces initiative.

A major focus for the year for the Church was support of a town-wide mission to hold a Passion Play, which moved around Victoria Park and some town landmarks to provide an engrossing momentum to retell the Easter story in a modern setting. The Passion Play was organised by Love Stafford and was the work of the Saltmine Theatre Company, who also developed a local community cast to help tell the story and engage with the audiences. Church Lane provided a base for the cast and production team during the dress rehearsal and four performances over the Easter weekend.

In the lead into the Easter event, Church Lane was also involved in organising and hosting an evangelism course for all churches in the town, run by Mission 24. The purpose was in particular to prepare Christians to share their faith in the context of the Easter play.

Another major feature of the year was the church welcoming a number of asylum seekers, who settled in the church. Many were Iranian, and after some time, Stephen was able to organise a facilitated Christian course, called Al Massira, in Farsi. Over the year a number came to faith, and were baptised at church.

At the start of the summer, a large contingent of the families, youth leaders and young people took part in the locally set DTI (Dreaming the Impossible) youth camp.

In the spring and the autumn, Stephen Harrison pastor of the church, facilitated a Christianity Explored courses for people seeking to learn more about the faith. By the end of the year, Stephen had also worked up a framework for small groups to come together around developing Bible-reading, sharing and prayer, called Root and Branches.

Church Lane provided a proportion of its funds from weekly collections for Christian organisations and individual missionary workers – including Scripture Union and Mercy Ships.

The Church supports other inter-church initiatives in the town – such as YouthNet, House of Bread and Stafford Street Pastors.

**Church Lane Evangelical Church
Report of the Trustees (continued)
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

The Trustees are very grateful for the work of the other Elders and the church members, who all serve and give of their time and resources to support one another and be a Christian witness in their communities.

The Trustees are Alan Medway (Chair), Andrew Cook, and Shingi Kapfunde.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

We ended the year with a surplus of £4,419 (2022: deficit £6,699). Income has increased in most areas, in particular regular giving. Overall expenditure was in line with the previous year. There was a slight increase in the charitable activities expenditure, but property expenditure, in particular maintenance decreased.

It is the church's policy to tithe our general fund income at the end of the year towards missionary projects chosen and prayed about during the year. A total of £7,380 (2022: £6,401) was sent.

The church's policy on holding financial reserves is to enable a sound financial base for future years. As all the income is voluntary, there is no certainty of income levels from year to year. Included within the current reserves are designated funds for both a salary/running costs reserve of £16,000 (in order to ensure these costs could be paid for at least 3 months), and a strategic/emergency reserve of £2,000. These amounts are reviewed from time to time.

A church meeting held in 2022 met to discuss the financial situation to highlight that income needed to increase in order to meet our expenditure due to price rises, particularly the electricity & gas. We are pleased to report that due to the good response, this has resulted in sufficient increases to giving to balance our monthly commitments.

It is the church's policy to invest the funds in a bank account up to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme current limit of £85,000 in any one institution. Due to our building refurbishment project in 2020/21 our cash reserves are now well below this limit.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



A Medway - Chair

Date 07/06/24

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Church Lane Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The church's trustees, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under s144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- * examine the accounts under s145 of the 2011 Act,
- * to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under s145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- * to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

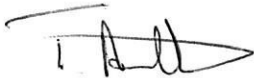
Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
- * to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of the 2011 Act, and
 - * to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met, or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr T Herriott ACA BA
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Date: 16 June 2024

**Church Lane Evangelical Church
Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	71,935	-	71,935	62,806
Charitable activities	4,086	-	4,086	3,908
Investments	323	-	323	16
Total Income	76,344	-	76,344	66,730
	2			
Expenditure on:				
Charitable Activities	71,133	-	71,133	72,654
Other	792	-	792	775
Total Expenditure	71,925	-	71,925	73,429
	3			
Net Incoming Resources	4,419	-	4,419	(6,699)
Fund Balances brought forward at 1st January 2023	1,032,046	-	1,032,046	1,038,746
Transfers between Funds	-	-	-	-
Fund Balances carried forward at 31st December 2023	1,036,466	-	1,036,466	1,032,046
	8&9			

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31st December 2023

		2023		2022	
	<u>Note</u>	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Fixed Assets	4		995,992		995,992
Current Assets					
Debtors	5	3,717		3,532	
Cash at bank and in hand	6	48,476		42,076	
		52,193		45,608	
Creditors Due Within One Year	7		11,719		9,554
Net Current Assets			40,474		36,054
	10		1,036,466		1,032,046
Accumulated Funds					
Unrestricted Funds	8		1,036,466		1,032,046
Restricted Funds	9		-		-
Balance at 31st December 2023			1,036,466		1,032,046

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 07/06/24 and were signed on its behalf by



A Medway - Chair

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2016) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees are of the opinion that Church is able to meet its liabilities as they fall due and that the going concern basis is appropriate.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified to include the freehold Grade II listed and adjacent buildings at a valuation.

Change in basis

There have been no changes to the accounting policies during the year.

Property

The property in Church Lane is held by the CIO.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been charged on a straight line basis as follows:

- Furniture & Fixtures - 10%
- Computer & PA Equipment - 25%

Depreciation has not been charged on freehold property as any depreciation is considered immaterial.

Expenditure under £5,000 is not normally capitalised.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

Fund Accounting

Funds held by the Church are either:

- Unrestricted Funds -** funds which can be used in accordance with the Church's objects at the discretion of the Elders.
- Designated Funds -** funds set aside out of general funds for specific purposes.
- Restricted Funds -** funds that can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the church. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

Income

All income is recognised once the church has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of ministry, training, church activities, mission, administration, and property.

Other expenditure represents those items not classified as relating to charitable activities.

Inter-Church Group Consolidation

Where one church group donates to another, the income and expenditure is eliminated from each balance and is classed as a transfer to the other. (See notes 8 and 9).

Taxation

The church is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Pension costs

The church operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Since October 2016 we have had to also comply with the Auto Enrolment regulations set out by The Pensions Regulator. Contributions paid are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

2. Income from:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
<u>Donations and legacies</u>				
- Gift Aided Collections	51,684	-	51,684	43,235
- Non-Gift Aided Collections	6,381	-	6,381	5,313
- Donations	700	-	700	3,350
- Gift Aid Tax refunds	13,169	-	13,169	10,908
	<u>71,935</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,935</u>	<u>62,806</u>
<u>Charitable activities</u>				
- Donations for use of hall	500	-	500	710
- Active Groups	1,088	-	1,088	905
- Acorns	2,498	-	2,498	1,843
- Community Foundation Warm Spaces	-	-	-	450
	<u>4,086</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,086</u>	<u>3,908</u>
<u>Investments</u>				
- Gross Interest Received	323	-	323	16
Total Income	<u>76,344</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76,344</u>	<u>66,730</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

3. Expenditure on:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
<u>Charitable Activities</u>				
Ministry				
- Gross Salary	34,974	-	34,974	33,709
- Pension	862	-	862	824
- Ministerial Allowances	481	-	481	307
- Travel	234	-	234	464
- Telephone	182	-	182	222
Other Ministry/Training				
- Visiting Speakers	250	-	250	50
- Training & Resources	253	-	253	276
- Going for God/ Resonate	13	-	13	347
- DTI	435	-	435	-
Church Activities				
- Communion Expenses	18	-	18	141
- Active Groups	295	-	295	127
- Acorns	1,375	-	1,375	1,602
Administration				
- Gross Salary	3,341	-	3,341	4,578
- Office Running expenses	127	-	127	9
- Telephone	558	-	558	411
Mission				
- Missionaries/Societies	7,380	-	7,380	6,401
	<u>50,778</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,778</u>	<u>49,469</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
<u>Charitable Activities Continued</u>				
brought forward	50,778	-	50,778	49,469
Property				
- Light & Heat	5,648	-	5,648	3,984
- Insurance	1,978	-	1,978	2,016
- Building Maintenance	-	-	-	11,682
- Equipment Maintenance	726	-	726	78
- Repairs & Renewals	222	-	222	302
- Cleaning & Other Expenses	3,931	-	3,931	3,563
- Minor Fixtures & Equipment	855	-	855	-
Sundries				
- Refreshments & Catering	244	-	244	232
- Copyright Licence	375	-	375	350
- Computer/Tech Expenses	640	-	640	631
- Subscriptions	213	-	213	202
- Sundries	5,524	-	5,524	145
Total Charitable Activities	<u>71,133</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,133</u>	<u>72,654</u>
 <u>Other</u>				
- Bank Charges	157	-	157	150
- Independent Examination	635	-	635	625
Total Other	<u>792</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>792</u>	<u>775</u>
 Total Expenditure	<u>71,925</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,925</u>	<u>73,429</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

4. Tangible Fixed Assets

	<u>Freehold Property</u>	<u>Furniture & Fixtures</u> £	<u>Computer & PA Equipment</u> £	<u>Total</u>
Cost or Valuation				
At 1st January 2023	995,992	19,335	10,471	1,025,798
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2023	<u>995,992</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>1,025,798</u>
Depreciation				
At 1st January 2023	-	19,335	10,471	29,806
Charge for the year	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>29,806</u>
Net Book Value				
At 31st December 2023	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>
At 31st December 2022	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>

5. Debtors

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Accrued Income - Gift Aid Tax	3,030	2,917
Other Debtors	-	15
Prepayments	687	600
	<u>3,717</u>	<u>3,532</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

6. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
Lloyds Bank Plc Current Account	4,689	4,910
Lloyds Bank Plc Deposit Account	41,630	35,306
Day/Morning For Retired Account	758	965
Acorns Account	1,385	862
Youth Club Float	15	15
Cash Floats	-	18
	<u>48,476</u>	<u>42,076</u>

7. Creditors Due Within One Year

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
Creditors for Goods and Services	1,117	192
Other Creditors	638	203
Social Security & Other Taxes	1,819	1,755
Accruals and Deferred Income	8,145	7,404
	<u>11,719</u>	<u>9,554</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

8. Movement in Funds - Unrestricted Funds

	Balance at 01.01.23	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.23
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,006,705	72,758	(70,255)	1,600	1,010,808
Designated - Salary/running costs Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic/emergency Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Active Groups	965	1,088	(295)	(1,000)	758
Designated - Youth Work Fund	15	-	-	-	15
Designated - Acorns Fund	862	2,498	(1,375)	(600)	1,385
	1,032,046	76,344	(71,925)	-	1,036,466
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Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

10. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Y/e 31/12/23	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	52,193	-	52,193
Creditors due within one year	(11,719)	-	(11,719)
Total Net Assets	<u>1,036,466</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,036,466</u>

Y/e 31/12/22	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	45,608	-	45,608
Creditors due within one year	(9,554)	-	(9,554)
Total Net Assets	<u>1,032,046</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,032,046</u>

11. Emoluments of Employees

	2023	2022
	£	£
Salary & Wages	41,495	38,287
Social Security costs	-	-
Pension Costs	862	824
	<u>42,356</u>	<u>39,111</u>

The employers social security costs were covered by the Employment Allowance.

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

	2023	2022
Pastor	1	1
Administration	1	1
Cleaner	1	1
	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

There were no employees whose emoluments exceeded £60,000 either this year or last year.

12. Trustees and other Related Parties

There were no expenses claimed related to being a trustee.

CHURCH LANE EVANGELICAL CHURCH, STAFFORD

England & Wales - Charity number 1152176

Accounts

Charity No. : 1152176

**Church Lane Evangelical Church
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)**

Financial Statements

**For the year ended
31st December 2022**

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for the year ended 31 December 2022

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A Medway Chair
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S Kapfunde

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A Medway Church Secretary
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S Kapfunde
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The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide assurance against fraud and error.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
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for the year ended 31 December 2022

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church Lane had a year of building up activities and encouraging people to return to the church building to worship. The Church continued to make use of Zoom for Sunday morning services, even though the emphasis was on encouraging those who were able to spend time together in the building. To enable meeting at the start of the year, measures such as increased ventilation and use of individual cups and portions for Communion were maintained.

The Elders of the Church had consulted with church members and agreed that the word Evangelical would be dropped from the name, and that Church Lane Church would be the name. We are actively working towards making this official.

Communion on the last Sunday of the month was set to be an opportunity for children and young people to explore and if appropriate partake of the emblems.

In April, the Church worked in partnership with House of Bread to start a monthly breakfast on a Saturday on a "pay-as-you-feel" basis. This was set up as an opportunity to open up the church to passers-by, and provide a regular meeting point.

Later in the year, the Church also applied for and received funding to be set up as a Warm Space. There were weekly sessions on Monday and Tuesday afternoons, as well as the monthly breakfast.

In June, the Church celebrated the Queen's Jubilee with a tea. Later in the month, the Church held a Women's Day for fellowship and to work on giftings and talents.

Through the year, many of the church activities were able to establish themselves again, from restarting in 2021.

- The Active groups for older people to undertake exercise and enjoy each other's company
- The Acorns groups for young children, their parents and carers
- The Resonate group, a youth group for Secondary aged young people
- The badminton group

In the summer a large group of young people attended the Dreaming The Impossible youth camp at the local County Showground.

The church continued to employ a full-time pastor, a part-time administrator and a part-time cleaner.

The Church continues to make use of its website www.clec.org.uk, which also links to recordings of church service talks are uploaded on to a church YouTube channel. The church Privacy Notice and Safeguarding Policy are published on the website.

Church Lane provided a proportion of its funds to financially support a Christian missionary as well as Christian inter-church initiatives and organisations in the town including: YouthNet, Stafford Street Pastors and Love Stafford.

**Church Lane Evangelical Church
Report of the Trustees (continued)
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

The Trustees are very grateful for the work of the other Elders and the church members, who all serve and give of their time and resources to support one another and be a Christian witness in their communities.

The Trustees are Alan Medway (Chair), Andrew Cook, and Shingi Kapfunde.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

We ended the year with a deficit of income over expenditure of £6,699. This resulted from further expenditure on replacing the subfloor in the carpeted area of the main hall at a cost of £11,682. This section of the subfloor was untouched when the hall refurbishment project took place in 2020/21. Other areas of general fund income expenditure were in line with the previous year.

It is the church's policy to tithe our general fund income at the end of the year towards missionary projects chosen and prayed about during the year. A total of £6,401 was sent.

The church's policy on holding financial reserves is to enable a sound financial base for future years. As all the income is voluntary, there is no certainty of income levels from year to year. Included within the current reserves are designated funds for both a salary reserve of £8,500 (in order to ensure salaries could be paid for at least 3 months), and a strategic reserve of £15,000. These amounts are reviewed from time to time.

A church meeting held in July met to discuss the financial situation to highlight that income needed to increase in order to meet our expenditure due to price rises, particularly the electricity & gas. In the months that followed a good response resulted in sufficient increases to giving to balance our monthly commitments.

It is the church's policy to invest the funds in a bank account up to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme current limit of £85,000 in any one institution. Due to our recent building refurbishment project our cash reserves are now well below this limit.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



A Medway - Chair

Date 23/03/23

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Church Lane Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The church's trustees, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under s144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- * examine the accounts under s145 of the 2011 Act,
- * to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under s145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- * to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- * to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of the 2011 Act, and
- * to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met, or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr T Herriott ACA BA
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Date: 2 May 2023

**Church Lane Evangelical Church
Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31st December 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	62,806	-	62,806	97,915
Charitable activities	3,908	-	3,908	1,882
Investments	16	-	16	5
Total Income	66,730	-	66,730	99,802
Expenditure on:				
Charitable Activities	72,654	-	72,654	149,906
Other	775	-	775	776
Total Expenditure	73,429	-	73,429	150,682
Net Incoming Resources	(6,699)	-	(6,699)	(50,880)
Fund Balances brought forward at 1st January 2022	1,038,746	-	1,038,746	1,089,626
Transfers between Funds	-	-	-	-
Fund Balances carried forward at 31st December 2022	1,032,048	-	1,032,046	1,038,746

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31st December 2022

	Note	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Fixed Assets	4		995,992		995,992
Current Assets					
Debtors	5	3,532		2,997	
Cash at bank and in hand	6	42,076		51,135	
		45,608		54,132	
Creditors Due Within One Year	7		9,554		11,378
Net Current Assets			36,054		42,754
	10		1,032,046		1,038,746
Accumulated Funds					
Unrestricted Funds	8		1,032,046		1,038,746
Restricted Funds	9		-		-
Balance at 31st December 2022			1,032,046		1,038,746

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 23/03/23 and were signed on its behalf by



A Medway - Chair

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2016) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees are of the opinion that Church is able to meet its liabilities as they fall due and that the going concern basis is appropriate.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified to include the freehold Grade II listed and adjacent buildings at a valuation.

Change in basis

There have been no changes to the accounting policies during the year.

Property

The property in Church Lane is held by the CIO.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been charged on a straight line basis as follows:

- Furniture & Fixtures - 10%
- Computer & PA Equipment - 25%

Depreciation has not been charged on freehold property as any depreciation is considered immaterial.

Expenditure under £5,000 is not normally capitalised.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

Fund Accounting

Funds held by the Church are either:

- Unrestricted Funds** - funds which can be used in accordance with the Church's objects at the discretion of the Elders.
- Designated Funds** - funds set aside out of general funds for specific purposes.
- Restricted Funds** - funds that can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the church. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

Income

All income is recognised once the church has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of ministry, training, church activities, mission, administration, and property.

Other expenditure represents those items not classified as relating to charitable activities.

Inter-Church Group Consolidation

Where one church group donates to another, the income and expenditure is eliminated from each balance and is classed as a transfer to the other. (See notes 8 and 9).

Taxation

The church is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Pension costs

The church operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Since October 2016 we have had to also comply with the Auto Enrolment regulations set out by The Pensions Regulator. Contributions paid are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

2. Income from:	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2022</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>
	£	£	£	£
<u>Donations and legacies</u>				
- Gift Aided Collections	43,235	-	43,235	38,736
- Non-Gift Aided Collections	5,313	-	5,313	5,508
- Donations	3,350	-	3,350	34,760
- Gift Aid Tax refunds	10,908	-	10,908	15,504
- Legacies	-	-	-	3,406
	<u>62,806</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>62,806</u>	<u>97,915</u>
<u>Charitable activities</u>				
- Donations for use of hall	710	-	710	234
- Dreaming the Impossible	-	-	-	561
- Day/Morning for Retired	905	-	905	375
- Youth Work	-	-	-	-
- Acorns	1,843	-	1,843	665
- Community Foundation Warm Spaces	450	-	450	-
- Miscellaneous	-	-	-	47
	<u>3,908</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,908</u>	<u>1,882</u>
<u>Investments</u>				
- Gross Interest Received	16	-	16	5
Total Income	<u><u>66,730</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>66,730</u></u>	<u><u>99,802</u></u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

3. Expenditure on:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£
<u>Charitable Activities</u>				
Ministry				
- Gross Salary	33,709	-	33,709	32,885
- Pension	824	-	824	799
- Ministerial Allowances	307	-	307	362
- Travel	464	-	464	177
- Telephone	222	-	222	269
Other Ministry/Training				
- Visiting Speakers	50	-	50	100
- Training & Resources	276	-	276	336
- Going for God/ Resonate	347	-	347	514
Church Activities				
- Communion Expenses	141	-	141	144
- Day/Morning for Retired	127	-	127	349
- Acorns	1,602	-	1,602	944
Administration				
- Gross Salary	4,578	-	4,578	6,534
- Office Running expenses	9	-	9	274
- Telephone	411	-	411	353
Mission				
- Missionaries/Societies	6,401	-	6,401	6,500
	<u>49,469</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,469</u>	<u>50,538</u>

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	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£
<u>Charitable Activities Continued</u>				
brought forward	49,469	-	49,469	50,538
Property				
- Light & Heat	3,984	-	3,984	3,195
- Insurance	2,016	-	2,016	1,900
- Building Maintenance	11,682	-	11,682	84,134
- Equipment Maintenance	78	-	78	247
- Repairs & Renewals	302	-	302	204
- Cleaning & Other Expenses	3,563	-	3,563	1,835
- Minor Fixtures & Equipment	-	-	-	4,427
Sundries				
- Refreshments & Catering	232	-	232	528
- Copyright Licence	350	-	350	334
- Computer/Tech Expenses	631	-	631	2,257
- Subscriptions	202	-	202	308
- Sundries	145	-	145	-
Total Charitable Activities	<u>72,654</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,654</u>	<u>149,906</u>
 <u>Other</u>				
- Bank Charges	150	-	150	151
- Independent Examination	625	-	625	625
Total Other	<u>775</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>775</u>	<u>776</u>
 Total Expenditure	<u>73,429</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,429</u>	<u>150,682</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
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4. Tangible Fixed Assets

	<u>Freehold Property</u>	<u>Furniture & Fixtures</u> £	<u>Computer & PA Equipment</u> £	<u>Total</u>
Cost or Valuation				
At 1st January 2022	995,992	19,335	10,471	1,025,798
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2022	<u>995,992</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>1,025,798</u>
Depreciation				
At 1st January 2022	-	19,335	10,471	29,806
Charge for the year	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>29,806</u>
Net Book Value				
At 31st December 2022	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>
At 31st December 2021	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>

5. Debtors

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
Accrued Income - Gift Aid Tax	2,917	2,240
Other Debtors	15	-
Prepayments	600	757
	<u>3,532</u>	<u>2,997</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
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6. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
Lloyds Bank Plc Current Account	4,910	2,804
Lloyds Bank Plc Deposit Account	35,306	46,291
Day/Morning For Retired Account	965	786
Acorns Account	862	1,221
Youth Club Float	15	15
Cash Floats	18	18
	<u>42,076</u>	<u>51,135</u>

7. Creditors Due Within One Year

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
Creditors for Goods and Services	192	815
Other Creditors	203	1,027
Social Security & Other Taxes	1,755	1,770
Accruals and Deferred Income	7,404	7,766
	<u>9,554</u>	<u>11,378</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

8. Movement in Funds - Unrestricted Funds

	Balance at 01.01.22	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.22
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,011,623	63,982	(71,701)	2,200	1,006,105
Designated - Salary Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Day/Morning for Retired Fund	1,786	905	(127)	(1,600)	965
Designated - Youth Work Fund	15	-	-	-	15
Designated - Acorns Fund	1,821	1,843	(1,602)	(600)	1,462
	<u>1,038,746</u>	<u>66,730</u>	<u>(73,429)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,032,046</u>
Comparative year	Balance at 01.01.21	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.21
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,062,251	65,033	(65,256)	(50,406)	1,011,623
Designated - Salary Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Day/Morning for Retired Fund	1,760	375	(349)	-	1,786
Designated - Youth Work Fund	15	-	-	-	15
Designated - Acorns Fund	2,100	665	(944)	-	1,821
	<u>1,089,627</u>	<u>66,073</u>	<u>(66,548)</u>	<u>(50,406)</u>	<u>1,038,746</u>

9. Movement in Funds - Restricted Funds

	Balance at 01.01.22	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.22
	£	£	£	£	£
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Comparative year	Balance at 01.01.21	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.21
	£	£	£	£	£
Building Fund	-	33,729	(84,134)	50,406	-
	-	<u>33,729</u>	<u>(84,134)</u>	<u>50,406</u>	-

The nature of the restrictions on the use of the above funds are as follows:-

All of the above funds were invested in a Lloyds Bank Account.

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10. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Y/e 31/12/22	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	45,608	-	45,608
Creditors due within one year	(9,554)	-	(9,554)
Total Net Assets	1,032,046	-	1,032,046

Y/e 31/12/21	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	54,132	-	54,132
Creditors due within one year	(11,378)	-	(11,378)
Total Net Assets	1,038,746	-	1,038,745

11. Emoluments of Employees

	2022	2021
	£	£
Salary & Wages	38,287	40,577
Social Security costs	-	-
Pension Costs	824	799
	39,111	41,376

The employers social security costs were covered by the Employment Allowance.

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

	2022	2021
Pastor	1	1
Administration	1	1
Cleaner	1	1
	3	3

There were no employees whose emoluments exceeded £60,000 either this year or last year.

12. Trustees and other Related Parties

There were no expenses claimed related to being a trustee.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church life became adaptable in 2021, with a dependence on the rules and guidance in place at any given time, to set the parameters for what could be done, and what mitigations were needed to keep activities safe.

The church continued to employ a full-time pastor, a part-time administrator and a part-time cleaner.

The Church continued to make use of Zoom for Sunday morning services and a few other weekly activities to give people and young people opportunity to spend time together online. There were also weekly and monthly prayer and worship meetings on Zoom.

From May, with the first phase of building work completed, and an easing of Covid, people started to attend church in limited group sizes, with good distancing.

The church website, www.clec.org.uk, was kept up-to-date to explain changes for activities and how people could access them. Recordings of church service talks are uploaded on to a church YouTube channel, linked from the webpage. The church Privacy Notice and Safeguarding Policy are published on the website.

The church established its own Covid roadmap, designed to enable activity to return in line with government guidance and good practice. The Acorns Toddler made a small start in June, and in September the Active group for older people and the Resonate youth group started meeting in the premises again.

The year started with the first phase of refurbishment works in the hall being completed. This was achieved when a ramp was put in place to enable access to the raised hall floor. The church then had another tremendous response from the church membership to raise sufficient funds to allow for the refurbishment of the kitchen to go ahead, which was completed in 2021.

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The Church also supports inter-church initiatives in the town - Love Stafford, YouthNet, House of Bread and Stafford Street Pastors.

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**Church Lane Evangelical Church
Report of the Trustees (continued)
for the year ended 31 December 2021**

The Trustees are Alan Medway (Chair), Andrew Cook, and Shingi Kapfunde.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The general fund income and expenditure have been evenly matched over the course of this year. Lower running costs associated with the building being empty for Covid reasons has reduced some normal expenditure, however the cost of providing online services and activities on Zoom has increased other expenditure.

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The building refurbishment project continued into 2021 with the hall being completed in March. Donations continued to be received that enabled us to continue with Phase 2 of the project to refit the kitchen in May/June. During 2021 £33,729 including Gift Aid tax was received towards the building project. Overall the building project during 2020 and 2021 received donations income inclusive of Gift Aid Tax of £77,974. In addition to this we successfully claimed Listing Building grants of £28,389 towards the VAT costs on eligible expenditure. The overall costs of the project were £181,470, resulting in using £75,107 of our reserves. We thank every one of you who contributed towards this project either with donations, prayer, time or skills. The project didn't go without it's problems but we are sure you will all agree what a lovely building we now have to serve the local community.

It is the church's policy to invest the funds in a bank account up to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme current limit of £85,000 in any one institution. Due to our building refurbishment project our cash reserves are now well below this limit.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



A Medway - Chair

Date 03/05/22

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Church Lane Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The church's trustees, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under s144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- * examine the accounts under s145 of the 2011 Act,
- * to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under s145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- * to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- * to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of the 2011 Act, and
- * to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met, or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr T Herriott ACA BA
Tim Herriott Enterprises
15 Briarsleigh
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Staffordshire
ST17 4QP

Date: 20/5/22

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	64,186	33,729	97,915	105,252
Charitable activities	1,882	-	1,882	2,194
Investments	5	-	5	204
Total Income	66,073	33,729	99,802	107,650
Expenditure on:				
Charitable Activities	65,772	84,134	149,906	130,713
Other	776	-	776	1,034
Total Expenditure	66,548	84,134	150,682	131,748
Net Incoming Resources	(475)	(50,406)	(50,880)	(24,098)
Fund Balances brought forward at 1st January 2021	1,089,626	-	1,089,626	1,113,724
Transfers between Funds	(50,406)	50,406	-	-
Fund Balances carried forward at 31st December 2021	1,038,746	-	1,038,746	1,089,626

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31st December 2021

		2021		2020	
	<u>Note</u>	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Fixed Assets	4		995,992		995,992
Current Assets					
Debtors	5	2,997		16,264	
Cash at bank and in hand	6	51,135		101,498	
		54,132		117,762	
Creditors Due Within One Year	7		11,378		24,128
Net Current Assets			42,754		93,634
	10		1,038,746		1,089,626
Accumulated Funds					
Unrestricted Funds	8		1,038,746		1,089,626
Restricted Funds	9		-		-
Balance at 31st December 2021			1,038,746		1,089,626

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 03/05/22 and were signed on its behalf by



A Medway - Chair

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2016) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees are of the opinion that Church is able to meet its liabilities as they fall due and that the going concern basis is appropriate.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified to include the freehold Grade II listed and adjacent buildings at a valuation.

Change in basis

There have been no changes to the accounting policies during the year.

Property

The property in Church Lane is held by the CIO.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been charged on a straight line basis as follows:

- Furniture & Fixtures - 10%
- Computer & PA Equipment - 25%

Depreciation has not been charged on freehold property as any depreciation is considered immaterial.

Expenditure under £5,000 is not normally capitalised.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

Fund Accounting

Funds held by the Church are either:

- Unrestricted Funds** - funds which can be used in accordance with the Church's objects at the discretion of the Elders.
- Designated Funds** - funds set aside out of general funds for specific purposes.
- Restricted Funds** - funds that can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the church. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

Income

All income is recognised once the church has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of ministry, training, church activities, mission, administration, and property.

Other expenditure represents those items not classified as relating to charitable activities.

Inter-Church Group Consolidation

Where one church group donates to another, the income and expenditure is eliminated from each balance and is classed as a transfer to the other. (See notes 8 and 9).

Taxation

The church is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Pension costs

The church operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Since October 2016 we have had to also comply with the Auto Enrolment regulations set out by The Pensions Regulator. Contributions paid are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

2. Income from:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
<u>Donations and legacies</u>				
- Gift Aided Collections	38,736	-	38,736	39,583
- Non-Gift Aided Collections	5,508	-	5,508	8,899
- Donations	6,100	28,660	34,760	36,720
- Gift Aid Tax refunds	10,436	5,069	15,504	19,050
- Legacies	3,406	-	3,406	1,000
	<u>64,186</u>	<u>33,729</u>	<u>97,914</u>	<u>105,252</u>
<u>Charitable activities</u>				
- Donations for use of hall	234	-	234	230
- Soul Survivor	561	-	561	240
- Day/Morning for Retired	375	-	375	413
- Youth Work	-	-	-	21
- Acorns	665	-	665	801
- Miscellaneous	47	-	47	489
	<u>1,882</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,882</u>	<u>2,194</u>
<u>Investments</u>				
- Gross Interest Received	<u>5</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>204</u>
Total Income	<u><u>66,073</u></u>	<u><u>33,729</u></u>	<u><u>99,802</u></u>	<u><u>107,650</u></u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

3. Expenditure on:	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>	<u>Total 2020</u>
	£	£	£	£
<u>Charitable Activities</u>				
Ministry				
- Gross Salary	32,885	-	32,885	32,480
- National Insurance	-	-	-	110
- Pension	799	-	799	788
- Ministerial Allowances	362	-	362	134
- Travel	177	-	177	90
- Telephone	269	-	269	263
Other Ministry/Training				
- Visiting Speakers	100	-	100	135
- Training & Resources	336	-	336	878
- Resonate	514	-	514	462
- Soul Survivor	-	-	-	801
Church Activities				
- Communion Expenses	144	-	144	45
- Day/Morning for Retired	349	-	349	363
- Youth Work	-	-	-	7
- Acorns	944	-	944	607
Administration				
- Gross Salary	6,534	-	6,534	7,103
- Office Running expenses	274	-	274	606
- Telephone	353	-	353	316
Mission				
- Missionaries/Societies	6,500	-	6,500	6,100
	<u>50,538</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,538</u>	<u>51,288</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2021</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2020</u> £
<u>Charitable Activities Continued</u>				
brought forward	50,538	-	50,538	51,288
Property				
- Light & Heat	3,195	-	3,195	2,856
- Insurance	1,900	-	1,900	1,850
- Building Maintenance	-	84,134	84,134	68,946
- Equipment Maintenance	247	-	247	78
- Repairs & Renewals	204	-	204	461
- Cleaning & Other Expenses	1,835	-	1,835	780
- Minor Fixtures & Equipment	4,427	-	4,427	199
- Depreciation	-	-	-	417
Sundries				
- Refreshments & Catering	528	-	528	233
- Copyright Licence	334	-	334	461
- Computer/Tech Expenses	2,257	-	2,257	2,352
- Subscriptions	308	-	308	272
- Sundries	-	-	-	521
Total Charitable Activities	<u>65,772</u>	<u>84,134</u>	<u>149,906</u>	<u>130,713</u>
<u>Other</u>				
- Bank Charges	151	-	151	174
- Legal & Professional Fees	-	-	-	240
- Independent Examination	625	-	625	620
Total Other	<u>776</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>776</u>	<u>1,034</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>66,548</u>	<u>84,134</u>	<u>150,682</u>	<u>131,748</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

4. Tangible Fixed Assets

	<u>Freehold Property</u>	<u>Furniture & Fixtures</u>	<u>Computer & PA Equipment</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£	£	£	
Cost or Valuation				
At 1st January 2021	995,992	19,335	10,471	1,025,798
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2021	<u>995,992</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>1,025,798</u>
Depreciation				
At 1st January 2021	-	19,335	10,471	29,806
Charge for the year	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>29,806</u>
Net Book Value				
At 31st December 2021	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>
At 31st December 2020	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>

5. Debtors

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
Accrued Income - Gift Aid Tax	2,240	6,443
Other Debtors	-	9,277
Prepayments	757	544
	<u>2,997</u>	<u>16,264</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

6. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
Lloyds Bank Plc Current Account	2,804	3,360
Lloyds Bank Plc Deposit Account	46,291	94,246
Day/Morning For Retired Account	786	1,760
Acorns Account	1,221	2,100
Youth Club Float	15	15
Cash Floats	18	18
	<u>51,135</u>	<u>101,497</u>

7. Creditors Due Within One Year

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
Creditors for Goods and Services	815	20,602
Other Creditors	1,027	529
Social Security & Other Taxes	1,770	1,701
Accruals and Deferred Income	7,766	1,295
	<u>11,378</u>	<u>24,128</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
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8. Movement in Funds - Unrestricted Funds

	Balance at 01.01.21	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.21
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,062,251	65,033	(65,256)	(50,406)	1,011,622
Designated - Salary Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Day/Morning for Retired Fund	1,760	375	(349)	-	1,786
Designated - Youth Work Fund	15	-	-	-	15
Designated - Acorns Fund	2,100	665	(944)	-	1,821
	<u>1,089,626</u>	<u>66,073</u>	<u>(66,548)</u>	<u>(50,406)</u>	<u>1,038,746</u>
Comparative year	Balance at 01.01.20	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.20
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,081,502	62,170	(61,825)	(19,598)	1,062,251
Designated - Salary Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Day/Morning for Retired Fund	1,710	413	(363)	-	1,760
Designated - Youth Work Fund	1	21	(7)	-	15
Designated - Acorns Fund	1,905	801	(607)	-	2,100
	<u>1,108,621</u>	<u>63,405</u>	<u>(62,802)</u>	<u>(19,598)</u>	<u>1,089,626</u>

9. Movement in Funds - Restricted Funds

	Balance at 01.01.21	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.21
	£	£	£	£	£
Building Fund	-	33,729	(84,134)	50,406	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>33,729</u>	<u>(84,134)</u>	<u>50,406</u>	<u>-</u>
Comparative year	Balance at 01.01.20	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31.12.20
	£	£	£	£	£
Youth Pastor Fund	5,103	-	-	(5,103)	-
Building Fund	-	44,245	(68,946)	24,701	-
	<u>5,103</u>	<u>44,245</u>	<u>(68,946)</u>	<u>19,598</u>	<u>-</u>

The nature of the restrictions on the use of the above funds are as follows:-

Building Fund - to fund the hall refurbishment work

All of the above funds were invested in a Lloyds Bank Account.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

10. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Y/e 31/12/21	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	54,132	-	54,132
Creditors due within one year	(11,378)	-	(11,378)
Total Net Assets	1,038,746	-	1,038,746

Y/e 31/12/20	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	117,762	-	117,762
Creditors due within one year	(24,128)	-	(24,128)
Total Net Assets	1,089,626	-	1,089,626

11. Emoluments of Employees

	2021	2020
	£	£
Salary & Wages	40,577	40,222
Social Security costs	-	110
Pension Costs	799	788
	41,376	41,120

The employers social security costs were covered by the Employment Allowance.

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

	2021	2020
Pastor	1	1
Administration	1	1.5
Cleaner	1	0
	3	2.5

There were no employees whose emoluments exceeded £60,000 either this year or last year.

12. Trustees and other Related Parties

There were no expenses claimed related to being a trustee.

CHURCH LANE EVANGELICAL CHURCH, STAFFORD

England & Wales - Charity number 1152176

Accounts

Charity No. : 1152176

**Church Lane Evangelical Church
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)**

Financial Statements

**For the year ended
31st December 2020**

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Church Lane Evangelical Church
Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31 December 2020

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The church's charitable status is that of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) No. 1152176.

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2019.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the charity's governing document, and 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 2016).

Charity Address:

Church Lane
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ST16 2AW

Bankers:

Lloyds Bank	Stafford Railway Building Society
5 Market Square	4 Market Square
Stafford	Stafford
ST16 2JL	ST16 2JH

Solicitors:

Hand Morgan Owen
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Trustees:

A Medway Chair
A Cook
S Kapfunde

Elders (Managing Trustees) who served during the year:

A Cook Chair
A Medway Church Secretary
S Harrison Pastor
S Kapfunde
J Morris
A Summers
J Wickens

The property in Church Lane is held by the CIO.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charitable status of the Church is that of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). This is governed in accordance with its constitution dated 24 May 2013 using the foundation model.

The trustees of the CIO have delegated the day to day running of the organisation to the Elders, who meet on a monthly basis. The current Elders include some of the trustees.

Risk Management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide assurance against fraud and error.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Report of the Trustees (continued)
for the year ended 31 December 2020

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the church, in accordance with Biblical principles and practice, and as the Trustees see fit, are to advance evangelical Christianity in a manner consistent with the Christian Scriptures. These objects may be pursued anywhere in the United Kingdom or the world at the discretion of the Trustees.

These objects are achieved by providing religious activities and by helping to relieve poverty and need. While these activities are for everyone, the church looks to support the most vulnerable in our community and focuses some activities on children and young people, and on older people. The Church also looks to support other Christian organisations which make specific contributions in advancing evangelical Christianity.

The church provides services of open public worship and seeks to use its buildings in ways which benefit the community at large. The trustees consider that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

2020 has been a year like no other - for everyone.

Church life continued, at the start of the year, in much the same way as before. In January we celebrated two baptisms. For the year ahead in 2020 we were planning to revisit all church activities and liaise with leaders and members to work out plans for the year. We were also planning a major refurbishment project for a large part of the building. In March, the Church Newsletter was refreshed to give a monthly colour sheet and weekly updates.

The church started the year employing a full-time pastor, 2 part-time administrators and a part-time cleaner. Our cleaner did not continue once we closed the building in March due to lockdown and, in August, Alan Harrison retired from his administrator role.

From the end of March 2020, the closure of the building led us to use Zoom a cloud-based video conferencing service to have an online Sunday morning service. It did not take long to establish 63 regular connections to that service and as this included a number of families, we number about 120 adults and children each Sunday morning.

The church website, www.church-lane.org.uk, was changed to explain the closure of activity and to put people in contact with the church. Our Privacy Notice and Safeguarding Policy are published on the website. Recordings of church service talks were uploaded on to a church YouTube channel, linked from the webpage.

We needed then to consider what other activity could continue on Zoom. With no-one being able to attend anything in person, but with an important need to keep people connected and not isolated, two Open Chat sessions, and weekly and monthly prayer and worship meetings were set up. A Resonate young people's session was then put in place for Friday evenings.

Throughout the periods of lockdown, we have provided pastoral support through keeping in contact and providing meals for individuals shielding. The pastor regularly kept in contact with the most vulnerable.

In August we received Listed Building consent to proceed with refurbishment works in the hall and surrounding rooms. Elite were appointed as the contractor. Works got underway, but after a couple of months, the contractors reported that the scope of work would have to change, as they had discovered the hall floor was rotten. A tremendous response from the church membership raised sufficient funds to allow us to continue with this phase of the work, including replacing the floor.

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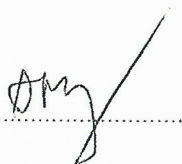
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The church's policy on holding financial reserves is to enable a sound financial base for future years. As all the income is voluntary, there is no certainty of income levels from year to year. Included within the current reserves are designated funds for both a salary reserve of £8,500 (in order to ensure salaries could be paid for at least 3 months), and a strategic reserve of £15,000. These amounts are reviewed from time to time.

The building refurbishment project was split into 3 phases to enable us to commit to work that was financially achievable. The first phase was the hall and toilet refurbishment and that was anticipated to cost in the region of £92K. Whilst we have had existing reserves for Phase 1, donations were encouraged to enable us to move onto Phase 2 (kitchen refurbishment) and Phase 3 (improvement of access) when funds allowed. As work progressed in the hall it was found to be necessary to replace the floor. Donations already received to date enabled us to be able to do this, but meant that Phase 2 & 3 would be put on hold until such time as funds allowed. An application to the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme has enabled us to recover VAT paid on most of the refurbishment work to date, and a further application will be made in due course as the project progresses.

It is the church's policy to invest the funds in a bank account up to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme current limit of £85,000 in any one institution. Due to our building refurbishment project we closed our account with the Stafford Railway Building Society in November and transferred the funds into our Lloyds deposit account in readiness for further bills. At the year end the balances in our Lloyds accounts were above the £85,000 compensation limit at £101,465, however our cashflow projection was that we would fall below this limit within 6 weeks of our year end, and the ease of which we had access to our funds made the risk acceptable.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

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A Medway - Chair

Date 30/03/21

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Church Lane Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The church's trustees, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under s144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- * examine the accounts under s145 of the 2011 Act,
- * to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under s145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- * to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- * to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of the 2011 Act, and
- * to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met, or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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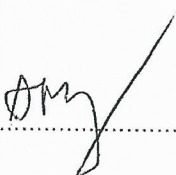
Church Lane Evangelical Church
Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2020</u>	<u>Total 2019</u>
Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	61,007	44,245	105,252	58,439
Charitable activities	2,194	-	2,194	8,292
Investments	204	-	204	210
Total Income	2 <u>63,405</u>	<u>44,245</u>	<u>107,650</u>	<u>66,941</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable Activities	61,767	68,946	130,713	71,393
Other	1,034	-	1,034	920
Total Expenditure	3 <u>62,802</u>	<u>68,946</u>	<u>131,748</u>	<u>72,313</u>
Net Incoming Resources	603	(24,701)	(24,098)	(5,371)
Fund Balances brought forward at 1st January 2020	1,108,621	5,103	1,113,724	1,119,095
Transfers between Funds	(19,598)	19,598	-	-
Fund Balances carried forward at 31st December 2020	8&9 <u>1,089,626</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,089,626</u>	<u>1,113,724</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31st December 2020

		2020		2019	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Fixed Assets	4		995,992		996,409
Current Assets					
Debtors	5	16,264		2,945	
Cash at bank and in hand	6	101,498		125,034	
		117,762		127,980	
Creditors Due Within One Year	7		24,128		10,665
Net Current Assets			93,634		117,315
	10		1,089,626		1,113,724
Accumulated Funds					
Unrestricted Funds	8		1,089,626		1,108,621
Restricted Funds	9		-		5,103
Balance at 31st December 2020			1,089,626		1,113,724

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 30/03/21 and were signed on its behalf by



A Medway - Chair

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2016) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees are of the opinion that Church is able to meet its liabilities as they fall due and that the going concern basis is appropriate.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified to include the freehold Grade II listed and adjacent buildings at a valuation.

Change in basis

There have been no changes to the accounting policies during the year.

Property

The property in Church Lane is held by the CIO.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been charged on a straight line basis as follows:

- Furniture & Fixtures - 10%
- Computer & PA Equipment - 25%

Depreciation has not been charged on freehold property as any depreciation is considered immaterial.

Expenditure under £5,000 is not normally capitalised.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

Fund Accounting

Funds held by the Church are either:

- Unrestricted Funds** - funds which can be used in accordance with the Church's objects at the discretion of the Elders.
- Designated Funds** - funds set aside out of general funds for specific purposes.
- Restricted Funds** - funds that can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the church. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

Income

All income is recognised once the church has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of ministry, training, church activities, mission, administration, and property.

Other expenditure represents those items not classified as relating to charitable activities.

Inter-Church Group Consolidation

Where one church group donates to another, the income and expenditure is eliminated from each balance and is classed as a transfer to the other. (See notes 8 and 9).

Taxation

The church is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Pension costs

The church operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Since October 2016 we have had to also comply with the Auto Enrolment regulations set out by The Pensions Regulator. Contributions paid are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

2. Income from:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
<u>Donations and legacies</u>				
- Gift Aided Collections	39,583	-	39,583	34,431
- Non-Gift Aided Collections	8,899	-	8,899	10,862
- Donations	-	36,720	36,720	2,450
- Gift Aid Tax refunds	11,525	7,525	19,050	10,605
- Christmas Card Income	-	-	-	91
- Legacies	1,000	-	1,000	-
	<u>61,007</u>	<u>44,245</u>	<u>105,252</u>	<u>58,439</u>
<u>Charitable activities</u>				
- Donations for use of hall	230	-	230	611
- Soul Survivor	240	-	240	2,146
- Day/Morning for Retired	413	-	413	2,487
- Youth Work	21	-	21	114
- Acorns	801	-	801	2,905
- Miscellaneous	489	-	489	30
	<u>2,194</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,194</u>	<u>8,292</u>
<u>Investments</u>				
- Gross Interest Received	<u>204</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>210</u>
Total Income	<u><u>63,405</u></u>	<u><u>44,245</u></u>	<u><u>107,650</u></u>	<u><u>66,941</u></u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

3. Expenditure on:	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted Funds</u> £	<u>Total 2020</u> £	<u>Total 2019</u> £
<u>Charitable Activities</u>				
Ministry				
- Gross Salary	32,480	-	32,480	22,756
- National Insurance	110	-	110	-
- Pension	788	-	788	544
- Ministerial Allowances	134	-	134	5,437
- Travel	90	-	90	252
- Telephone	263	-	263	233
Other Ministry/Training				
- Visiting Speakers	135	-	135	650
- Training & Resources	878	-	878	184
- Going for God & Creche	-	-	-	124
- Resonate & Rocknite	462	-	462	459
- Soul Survivor	801	-	801	4,278
Church Activities				
- Communion Expenses	45	-	45	235
- Day/Morning for Retired	363	-	363	2,262
- Youth Work	7	-	7	113
- Acorns	607	-	607	2,276
Administration				
- Gross Salary	7,103	-	7,103	7,779
- Photocopying & Printing	265	-	265	170
- Postage	51	-	51	-
- Office Requisites	291	-	291	224
- Telephone	316	-	316	347
Mission				
- Missionaries/Societies	6,100	-	6,100	6,508
- Christmas Card	-	-	-	91
	<u>51,288</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,288</u>	<u>54,921</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
<u>Charitable Activities Continued</u>				
brought forward	51,288	-	51,288	54,921
Property				
- Light & Heat	2,856	-	2,856	4,263
- Insurance	1,850	-	1,850	1,793
- Building Maintenance	-	68,946	68,946	-
- Equipment Maintenance	78	-	78	816
- Repairs & Renewals	461	-	461	372
- Cleaning & Other Expenses	780	-	780	3,640
- Minor Fixtures & Equipment	199	-	199	1,773
- Depreciation	417	-	417	424
Sundries				
- Refreshments & Catering	233	-	233	917
- Copyright Licence	461	-	461	990
- Computer Expenses	2,352	-	2,352	577
- Subscriptions	272	-	272	540
- Sundries	521	-	521	367
Total Charitable Activities	61,767	68,946	130,713	71,393
<u>Other</u>				
- Bank Charges	174	-	174	310
- Legal & Professional Fees	240	-	240	-
- Independent Examination	620	-	620	610
Total Other	1,034	-	1,034	920
Total Expenditure	62,802	68,946	131,748	72,313

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

4. Tangible Fixed Assets

	<u>Freehold Property</u>	<u>Furniture & Fixtures</u> £	<u>Computer & PA Equipment</u> £	<u>Total</u>
Cost or Valuation				
At 1st January 2020	995,992	19,335	10,471	1,025,798
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31st December 2020	<u>995,992</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>1,025,798</u>
Depreciation				
At 1st January 2020	-	18,918	10,471	29,389
Charge for the year	-	417	-	417
At 31st December 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>19,335</u>	<u>10,471</u>	<u>29,806</u>
Net Book Value				
At 31st December 2020	<u>995,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>995,992</u>
At 31st December 2019	<u>995,992</u>	<u>417</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>996,409</u>

5. Debtors

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
Accrued Income - Gift Aid Tax	6,443	2,417
Other Debtors	9,277	-
Prepayments	544	528
	<u>16,264</u>	<u>2,945</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

6. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
Lloyds Bank Plc Current Account	3,360	9,917
Lloyds Bank Plc Deposit Account	94,246	44,576
Stafford Railway Building Society	-	66,908
Day/Morning For Retired Account	1,760	1,710
Acorns Account	2,100	1,905
Youth Club Float	15	1
Cash Floats	18	18
	<u>101,498</u>	<u>125,034</u>

7. Creditors Due Within One Year

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
Creditors for Goods and Services	20,602	788
Other Creditors	529	445
Social Security & Other Taxes	1,701	2,046
Accruals and Deferred Income	1,295	7,386
	<u>24,128</u>	<u>10,665</u>

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

8. Movement in Funds - Unrestricted Funds

	<u>Balance at 01.01.20</u>	<u>Incoming Resources</u>	<u>Resources Expended</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Balance at 31.12.20</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,081,502	62,170	(61,825)	(19,598)	1,062,251
Designated - Salary Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Day/Morning for Retired Fund	1,710	413	(363)	-	1,760
Designated - Youth Work Fund	1	21	(7)	-	15
Designated - Acorns Fund	1,905	801	(607)	-	2,100
	<u>1,108,621</u>	<u>63,405</u>	<u>(62,802)</u>	<u>(19,598)</u>	<u>1,089,626</u>
Comparative year					
	<u>Balance at 01.01.19</u>	<u>Incoming Resources</u>	<u>Resources Expended</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Balance at 31.12.19</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,085,929	61,437	(67,663)	1,800	1,081,502
Designated - Salary Reserve	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Designated - Strategic Reserve	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Designated - Day/Morning for Retired Fund	2,685	2,487	(2,262)	(1,200)	1,710
Designated - Youth Work Fund	-	114	(113)	-	1
Designated - Acorns Fund	1,876	2,905	(2,276)	(600)	1,905
	<u>1,113,991</u>	<u>66,941</u>	<u>(72,313)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,108,621</u>

9. Movement in Funds - Restricted Funds

	<u>Balance at 01.01.20</u>	<u>Incoming Resources</u>	<u>Resources Expended</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Balance at 31.12.20</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
Youth Pastor Fund	5,103	-	-	(5,103)	-
Building Fund	-	44,245	(68,946)	24,701	-
	<u>5,103</u>	<u>44,245</u>	<u>(68,946)</u>	<u>19,598</u>	<u>-</u>
Comparative year					
	<u>Balance at 01.01.19</u>	<u>Incoming Resources</u>	<u>Resources Expended</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Balance at 31.12.19</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
Youth Pastor Fund	5,103	-	-	-	5,103
	<u>5,103</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,103</u>

The nature of the restrictions on the use of the above funds are as follows:-

Youth Pastor Fund - to fund a youth pastor - now derestricted to general funds

Building Fund - to fund the hall refurbishment work

All of the above funds were invested in a Lloyds Bank Account or the Stafford Railway Building Society Account (closed in the year)

Church Lane Evangelical Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

10. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Y/e 31/12/20	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	995,992	-	995,992
Current Assets	117,762	-	117,762
Creditors due within one year	(24,128)	-	(24,128)
Total Net Assets	<u>1,089,626</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,089,626</u>

Y/e 31/12/19	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	996,409	-	996,409
Current Assets	122,877	5,103	127,980
Creditors due within one year	(10,665)	-	(10,665)
Total Net Assets	<u>1,108,621</u>	<u>5,103</u>	<u>1,113,724</u>

11. Emoluments of Employees

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
Salary & Wages	40,222	33,054
Social Security costs	110	-
Pension Costs	788	544
	<u>41,120</u>	<u>33,598</u>

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

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Pastor	1	1
Administration	1.5	2
Cleaner	0	1
	<u>2.5</u>	<u>4</u>

There were no employees whose emoluments exceeded £60,000 either this year or last year.

12. Trustees and other Related Parties

There were no expenses claimed related to being a trustee.