

Charity registration number: 1153995

GRACE CHURCH HALEWOOD

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

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Reference and Administrative Details

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Trustees' Report

Introduction

Grace Church Halewood was constituted in 2006, and registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation in 2013. This sixth Annual Report is prepared in accordance with our obligations as a CIO and relates to the period from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.

Aims and Purposes

The Trustees are responsible for the objectives of the charity – specifically to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in Knowsley and beyond, and to relieve distress here and elsewhere.

Achievements and performance

2021 saw the national emergence out of lockdown, the trustees had another set of circumstances to manage with a nervous community. Our aim to return to the activities that Grace Church had been running and involved in for the past number of years – namely the provision of weekly corporate public gatherings for worship and Bible teaching, needed to be done sensitively. During this period we need to reintroduce meeting together in person for Bible teaching and Worship and meeting together in smaller groups so that we could support and develop specific programmes for children, young people, families and the older generation.

On the 11 April we had our first in person service together, with reduced numbers we introduced a booking system and continued to stream our meetings live on our website for those who wanted to stay at home. We had to introduce thoughtful precautions and guidance in order to protect all who met as Covid-19 still presented as a real danger. These services were made accessible and available to the wider community and were very appreciated by all those who joined. Over time they grew in number as people became more confident to meet outside of their homes and in large groups. We used Bridge Chapel in Garston during this period as we needed a space large enough to ensure safety. At the beginning of August we then moved our services back to Halewood Leisure Centre and we began to rebuild.

It wasn't until September 2021 that we were able to begin our toddler, children's and youth groups. There was an immediate uptake for the groups as this younger generation had been isolated for so long. These meetings were attended by families who are members of our church and by families from the community, who were both known and new to us. Many of the older members of our community were still nervous about coming together in large groups. We began meeting in smaller groups for a coffee morning at a local coffee shop in September, and then reintroduced the larger meeting for them in January 2022. Attendance in this group grew slowly during this period.

As trustees we were very aware that people, especially the older generation were still feeling isolated and anxious about going out. During this period we continued to ensure that each family linked to Grace Church had the support they needed and our care group continued to ensure that the needs of the elderly and more vulnerable in our community were met by shopping for them, collecting prescriptions etc.

At Halewood Leisure Centre we rent office space that has increased our involvement in the local community and gives us a central hub where people can drop in and chat to one of our staff or members. We began to introduce a few more opportunities for people to meet in small numbers in this space however we were still unable to hold any groups in there due to space and lack of ventilation.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Communication

We communicate regularly with our membership through weekly notice sheets and email updates, and member's meetings were held twice during this period on zoom. The Trustees and Leadership Teams use email, ChurchSuite, Google docs, WhatsApp and text messaging to ensure good contacts, and this is to be further developed in future. Our church website is updated regularly with resources as well as information on past and up and coming events; this, alongside the use of social media, has improved our communication with members, congregation and the wider community.

Management

The management of Grace Church is shared by the Trustees with a group of men and women appointed as Elders and Deacons, and an ad hoc group of 'Ministry Leaders'. One of the Trustees is specifically employed as the principal teaching elder, and offers particular pastoral care for the members, and a whole host of needs in the community which are brought to his attention. We have a team of seven elders serving in our Church management team.

In addition, we have a full time employee who focuses on supporting and mentoring young people. Also we have another part time employee who works primarily with the administration.

Membership, attendance and local impact

Grace Church in the period under review has an active membership of around 103. We have had large numbers of people watching our online services over the year, and a majority of the membership were actively involved in the services and in a range of online children's and youth ministries. The age range of regular attenders' spans 0 - 89 years.

Mission and Evangelism

Grace Church offers opportunities for the wider community to engage with us, there was a growing opportunity to do this as things began to reopen and we were able to mix more freely. We continued to support the work of New Hutte neighbourhood centre at Torrington Drive supporting their Christmas event, Twinkle Twinkle and they would contact us when specific needs arose. At Christmas we were able to form some small carol singing groups around local neighbourhoods. We were able to continue an online Christianity Explored Course on zoom and we held a second Marriage course virtually, using our website to invite other people to join in.

Grace Church allocates 10% of our income to Mission outside of Halewood; in the past year this has included financial help to students attending Gospel Partnership and Bible College Training, support for a couple engaged in world mission based in South Carolina, as well as regular support for a missionary couple and a new missionary family working in Papua New Guinea. We also have supported the work of Open Air Mission and Faith in Kids. Members of Grace Church have also chosen to help support other nationwide churches that are financially struggling. During the summer we were able to partner with a local Church for our children's summer camp (Bridge Camp) sending both children and adult workers.

Inter-church support and affiliations

Historically we have partnered with other churches in particular in South Liverpool in furthering the teaching and education aims of the charity, through inter-church meetings, providing speakers for church meetings, supporting the work of Liverpool Homeless outreach and the city-wide Barnabas Bible Class; we have also provided helpers for an annual Kids camp, which takes 60 children from different parts of the city region to a week-long holiday camp in Wales. Grace Church is a member of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches www.fiec.org.uk, which provides legal and professional support, training, and networking to more than 617 churches mainly in the UK. We also partner with the North West Partnership, which provides training, conferences and networking support for churches in the Region. www.northwestpartnership.com

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Financial Review

Grace Church relies entirely on the freewill giving of members and others sympathetic with our aims and objectives. No public appeals for money are made. The restricted funds shown in the Accounts refer to monies donated towards the 'Footprint Fund' to provide premises in the neighbourhood to further the aims of the Charity; the original project did not come to fruition, and the funds remain completely available for disposal by the Trustees. It remains our wish to identify a 'footprint' building in the community of Halewood.

The Trustees acknowledge the generous giving of the fellowship, and the hard work of the Finance Team in accounting for, and expending these funds over the period in question. The modest balance in all accounts is entirely in line with the Trustees expectations and wishes for the Charity.

Trustees

The Trustees have remained the same during the period under review.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 27 January 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mr Jamie Robert Sparkes
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 27 January 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mr Jamie Robert Sparkes
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of GRACE CHURCH HALEWOOD

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of GRACE CHURCH HALEWOOD for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

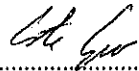
I report in respect of my examination of the GRACE CHURCH HALEWOOD's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of GRACE CHURCH HALEWOOD as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



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Gareth Cooper
ACCA

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30 January 2023

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies		27,893	940	28,833
Charitable activities		124,766	18,121	142,887
Total income		152,659	19,061	171,720
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds		(153,157)	-	(153,157)
Other expenditure	4	(3,869)	-	(3,869)
Total expenditure		(157,026)	-	(157,026)
Net (expenditure)/income		(4,367)	19,061	14,694
Net movement in funds		(4,367)	19,061	14,694
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		108,999	137,845	246,844
Total funds carried forward	9	104,632	156,906	261,538
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies		27,337	8,121	35,458
Charitable activities		123,129	114,215	237,344
Total income		150,466	122,336	272,802
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds		(116,236)	-	(116,236)
Other expenditure	4	(3,869)	-	(3,869)
Total expenditure		(120,105)	-	(120,105)
Net income		30,361	122,336	152,697
Net movement in funds		30,361	122,336	152,697
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		78,638	15,509	94,147
Total funds carried forward	9	108,999	137,845	246,844

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for 2021 is shown in note 9.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	3,244	7,113
Current assets			
Debtors	7	2,679	9,832
Cash at bank and in hand	8	<u>262,920</u>	<u>230,715</u>
		265,599	240,547
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		<u>(7,305)</u>	<u>(816)</u>
Net current assets		<u>258,294</u>	<u>239,731</u>
Net assets		<u>261,538</u>	<u>246,844</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	9	156,906	137,845
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>104,632</u>	<u>108,999</u>
Total funds	9	<u>261,538</u>	<u>246,844</u>

The financial statements on pages 7 to 15 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 27 January 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



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Mr Jamie Robert Sparkes
Trustee

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

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

GRACE CHURCH HALEWOOD meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Reclassification of comparative amounts

There was a correction to 31 March 2021 where the gift aid claim had been overstated by £18,646, which had meant the other debtors had been overstated by £18,646 too.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, the management of investments and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £2,000.00 or more are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Equipment and Furniture	20% straight line basis

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and legacies; Gift aid reclaimed	27,893	940	28,833
Total for 2022	<u>27,893</u>	<u>940</u>	<u>28,833</u>
Total for 2021	<u>27,337</u>	<u>8,121</u>	<u>35,458</u>

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
	124,766	18,121	142,887
Total for 2022	<u>124,766</u>	<u>18,121</u>	<u>142,887</u>
Total for 2021	<u>123,129</u>	<u>114,215</u>	<u>237,344</u>

4 Other expenditure

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Depreciation, amortisation and other similar costs		3,869	3,869
Total for 2022		<u>3,869</u>	<u>3,869</u>
Total for 2021		<u>3,869</u>	<u>3,869</u>

5 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2021	<u>44,461</u>	<u>44,461</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>44,461</u>	<u>44,461</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2021	37,348	37,348
Charge for the year	<u>3,869</u>	<u>3,869</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>41,217</u>	<u>41,217</u>
Net book value		
At 31 March 2022	<u>3,244</u>	<u>3,244</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>7,113</u>	<u>7,113</u>

7 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	<u>2,679</u>	<u>9,832</u>

8 Cash and cash equivalents

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash at bank	<u>262,920</u>	<u>230,715</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

9 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>				
General	83,999	152,659	(157,026)	79,632
<i>Designated</i>				
Footprint	25,000	-	-	25,000
Total unrestricted funds	108,999	152,659	(157,026)	104,632
Restricted funds				
Footprint	137,845	19,061	-	156,906
Total funds	246,844	171,720	(157,026)	261,538
	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>				
General	53,638	150,466	(120,105)	83,999
<i>Designated</i>				
Footprint	25,000	-	-	25,000
Total unrestricted funds	78,638	150,466	(120,105)	108,999
Restricted				
Footprint	15,509	122,336	-	137,845
Total funds	94,147	272,802	(120,105)	246,844

10 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Designated £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 March 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	3,244	-	-	3,244
Current assets	83,693	25,000	156,906	265,599
Current liabilities	(7,305)	-	-	(7,305)
Total net assets	79,632	25,000	156,906	261,538

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total funds at 31 March 2021
	General	Designated		£ (As restated)
	£	£	£	
Tangible fixed assets	7,113	-	-	7,113
Current assets	77,702	25,000	137,845	240,547
Current liabilities	(816)	-	-	(816)
Total net assets	<u>83,999</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>137,845</u>	<u>246,844</u>

11 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	<u>76,632</u>	<u>74,964</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

12 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

13 Analysis of support costs

Support costs allocated to charitable activities

		Administration costs £	Total 2022 £
	Basis of allocation		
Premises/Video conferencing		34,664	34,664
Mission		21,965	21,965
Caring		7,693	7,693
Training, Children & Youth work		7,635	7,635
Outreach		977	977
Support ministries		2,203	2,203
Accountancy		1,388	1,388
		<u>76,525</u>	<u>76,525</u>
		Administration costs £	Total 2021 £
	Basis of allocation		
Premises/Video conferencing		6,056	6,056
Mission		16,614	16,614
Caring		10,757	10,757
Training, Children & Youth work		4,099	4,099
Outreach		377	377
Support ministries		1,932	1,932
Accountancy		1,437	1,437
		<u>41,272</u>	<u>41,272</u>