

Sorted Church

Charity number 1154436

A company limited by guarantee number 07158478

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023



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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2023

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Revd Tracy Milne	Leader of the BMO	
Capt Richard Cooke	Church Army nominee	
Ven. Dr Andrew Jolley	Bishop's nominee & Chair	
Vicky Bell	Trustee	
David Heane	Churchwarden	

Church and young peoples council

David Heane	ex-officio / churchwarden
Revd Tracy Milne	ex-officio
Robert Johnson	ex-officio
Marianne Clough	ex-officio
Chloe Barber	elected
Natalie Shaw	elected
Tom Johnson	elected
Alenka Hutsul	elected
Amy Johnson	elected

Charity number 1154436 Registered in England and Wales

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Registered and principal address

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Bankers

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Independent examiner

Simon Bostrom FCIE

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and was formed on 16 February 2010. It is governed by a memorandum and articles of association as amended by special resolution on 3 December 2012 and 22 December 2021. The Company was registered as a charity in November 2013 and took over the operation of a church established under a Bishop's Mission Order on 1 January 2014. The day to day management is delegated to a Church Council comprising ex-officio and elected members. In the event of a winding up each member of the Company must contribute £1 to any deficit.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are also the directors for the purposes of company law and are appointed by the members at the AGM.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2023

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

To advance the Christian religion in the Anglican tradition among young people and young adults (up to age twenty five) who attend or are associated with Immanuel college, Idle and Hanson school, Bradford and among those living in the parishes of Bolton, St James, Eccleshill, St Luke, Greengates, St John, Idle, Holy Trinity; Thorpe Edge, St John and Wrose, St Cuthbert.

To advance education and to provide services in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupations with the objects of improving the conditions of life of the young people and young adults (up to age twenty five), in particular for those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage by providing a range of in school support, out of school social events, small group support, educational and volunteering opportunities, information and advice services and recreational activities.

The prevention or relief of poverty, especially of young people and young adults (up to age twenty five), among those living in the parishes of Bolton, St James, Eccleshill, St Luke, Greengates, St John, Idle, Holy Trinity; Thorpe Edge, St John and Wrose, St Cuthbert, and the immediately surrounding areas by providing items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

Public benefit statement

The trustees are confident that the objectives and activities comply with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Main activities and achievements and performance

Although a full-time staff role was vacant for six months of the year, the dedication from our 29 volunteers and small staff team enabled a successful year for Sorted Church.

A total of 221 beneficiaries accessed our weekly sessions, including wellbeing support groups, drop-in activity sessions, and inclusion work in our local secondary schools. All beneficiaries accessed one-to-one pastoral support, reflecting the increase in wellbeing challenges faced amongst local young people. In particular, mental health issues are escalating so we are developing areas where small groups can meet to encourage each other and build confidence at an early stage.

Our worshipping community saw some growth throughout the year, with 81 individuals attending our Sunday congregation.

We held a successful summer programme within the community, which helped us to engage new young people into our support. We gave young people a secure place to explore self awareness, leadership skills and we gave role models on listening skills and how to mentor each other.

Furthermore, our residential at Scargill House was enjoyed by 26 Young people who experienced 4 days of outdoor life; walking the Dales; Ten pin bowling; Art & Craft and Aerial Glide as some of the activities. The whole experience united diversity within the group and team work improved confidence and wellbeing.

Sorted helps and supports young people to lead their sessions with oversight which gives the young people a sense of ownership and a sense of belonging which enables, empowers and encourages our young people. This often has a knock on effect into other areas of life, home and school and Sorted is instrumental in bringing about life changing opportunities.

Safeguarding Training

All our staff and volunteers have attended the Diocesan Safeguarding Training and DBS checks are up to date.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2023

Financial review

The net expenditure for the year was £8,588, including net expenditure of £8,426 on unrestricted funds and net expenditure of £162 on restricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £14,452.

The trustees aim to have 6 months running costs in reserve for the purpose of enabling the smooth running of the charity and to allow for an orderly winding up should the charity need to close. Based on the current budget for 2024 this would equate to £19,320.

Within the current economic position, we continue to work to secure new streams of funding. The Trustees have assessed the charity's ability to continue for at least 12 months from the date the accounts are approved and conclude that no material uncertainties exist to cast doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern

Risk Management

The board and Church Council have identified the major risks and keep their mitigation policy under regular review.

Plans for the future

We have developed a clear strategy to engage new supporters of our work, with an aspiration to diversify our offer, reaching more young people and young adults. This response will enable us to respond to the cost-of-living crisis and worsening mental health within our local community. We recognise that services must remain free to access, reducing barriers for those most vulnerable.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2023

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and UK Accounting Standards.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

- prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They 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.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Charities SORP (FRS102)), and in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by the board of trustees on 7 March 2024

Ven. Dr Andrew Jolley (Trustee)

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Sorted Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Simon Bostrom FCIE

24 May 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities

(including summary income and expenditure account)

for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Income from:					
Grants and donations	(2)	4,953	22,309	27,262	34,892
Fees and charges		1,341	-	1,341	961
Other income		-	50	50	-
Total income		<u>6,294</u>	<u>22,359</u>	<u>28,653</u>	<u>35,853</u>
Expenditure on:					
Salaries and NI	(3)	3,039	6,095	9,134	20,045
Freelance project workers		3,091	-	3,091	4,399
Freelance development workers		2,450	1,050	3,500	3,675
Freelance finance worker		880	462	1,342	1,393
Staff expenses		1,177	419	1,596	1,520
Staff and volunteer training		232	39	271	715
Activity materials and resources		1,170	4,115	5,285	3,203
Equipment and office consumables		179	620	799	1,470
Diocesan share		500	-	500	-
Mission giving		400	-	400	-
Insurance		512	-	512	383
Independent examination		180	480	660	480
Other admin costs		13	-	13	163
Grant repayment		-	1,372	1,372	1,228
Depreciation		467	-	467	467
Rent		430	3,520	3,950	4,845
Residential costs		-	4,349	4,349	7,127
Total expenditure		<u>14,720</u>	<u>22,521</u>	<u>37,241</u>	<u>51,113</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>(8,426)</u>	<u>(162)</u>	<u>(8,588)</u>	<u>(15,260)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>23,346</u>	<u>8,621</u>	<u>31,967</u>	<u>47,227</u>
Fund balances carried forward	(4)	<u>14,920</u>	<u>8,459</u>	<u>23,379</u>	<u>31,967</u>

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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Balance sheet
as at 31 December 2023

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	(5) 468	-	468	935
Total fixed assets	<u>468</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>468</u>	<u>935</u>
Current assets				
Debtors and prepayments	(6) 1,133	-	1,133	891
Cash at bank	13,979	8,459	22,438	31,065
Total current assets	<u>15,112</u>	<u>8,459</u>	<u>23,571</u>	<u>31,956</u>
Current liabilities:				
amounts falling due within one year				
Accruals	660	-	660	924
Total current liabilities	<u>660</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>660</u>	<u>924</u>
Net current assets	<u>14,452</u>	<u>8,459</u>	<u>22,911</u>	<u>31,032</u>
Net assets	<u>14,920</u>	<u>8,459</u>	<u>23,379</u>	<u>31,967</u>
Funds				
Unrestricted funds	14,920	-	14,920	23,346
Restricted funds	-	8,459	8,459	8,621
Total funds	<u>14,920</u>	<u>8,459</u>	<u>23,379</u>	<u>31,967</u>

For the year ending 31 December 2023 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with FRS 102 (effective January 2019).

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 7 March 2024

Ven. Dr Andrew Jolley (Trustee)

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Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2023

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These accounts 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. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, if it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Where grants are related to performance and specific deliverables, they are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Gifted assets are shown at the value to the charity on receipt. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Project and office equipment: over 4 years

Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

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

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Notes to the accounts continued

for the year ended 31 December 2023

2 Grants and donations	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
City of Bradford Met. District Council (CBMDC)	-	5,760	5,760	4,224
Garfield Weston Foundation	-	3,500	3,500	-
Sir George Martin Trust	-	3,000	3,000	-
The Souter Charitable Trust	-	3,000	3,000	-
The Bradford Fund	-	-	-	2,500
Sovereign Healthcare	-	-	-	5,000
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	10,000
Leeds Diocesan Board of Finance	-	-	-	1,250
Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA)	-	-	-	3,000
Gift aid	1,046	-	1,046	815
Other donations	3,907	7,049	10,956	8,103
	<u>4,953</u>	<u>22,309</u>	<u>27,262</u>	<u>34,892</u>

3 Staff costs and numbers	2023 £	2022 £
Gross salaries	9,134	20,045
Social security costs	10	120
Employment allowance	(10)	(120)
	<u>9,134</u>	<u>20,045</u>

The average number of employees during the year was 2, being an average of 0.5 full time equivalent (2022: 3.5, 1.4 FTE). There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000.

4 Restricted funds	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Camp and holidays	3,773	7,099	4,812	-	6,060
Awards for All	831	-	831	-	-
Sovereign Health	2,767	-	2,767	-	-
Diocesan Board of Finance	1,250	-	1,250	-	-
The Souter Trust	-	3,000	3,000	-	-
Sir George Martin	-	3,000	2,140	-	860
HAF 2023	-	5,760	5,760	-	-
Garfield Weston	-	3,500	1,961	-	1,539
	<u>8,621</u>	<u>22,359</u>	<u>22,521</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,459</u>

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
Camp and holidays	Donations for annual residential events.
Awards for All	Towards delivery of Youth Work project.
Sovereign Health	Towards core costs.
Diocesan Board of Finance	Contribution to heating costs including venue hire.
The Souter Trust	Towards core costs.
Sir George Martin	Towards core costs.
HAF 2023	To provide holiday activities and hot food in the summer holidays.
Garfield Weston	Towards core costs.

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Notes to the accounts continued

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5 Tangible assets

	Office equipment	Total
<u>Cost</u>	£	£
At 1 January 2023	1,869	1,869
Additions	-	-
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,869</u>	<u>1,869</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>		
At 1 January 2023	934	934
Charge for year	467	467
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,401</u>	<u>1,401</u>
<u>Net book value</u>		
At 31 December 2023	<u>468</u>	<u>468</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>935</u>	<u>935</u>

6 Debtors and prepayments

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments	87	77
Accrued income	1,046	814
	<u>1,133</u>	<u>891</u>

7 Related party transactions

Donations from trustees and related parties

The total aggregate value of unconditional donations to the charity from the trustees or related parties was £1,834 (2022: £1,895).

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.

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Statement of Financial Activities including comparatives for all funds (including summary income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Income						
Grants and donations	4,953	2,778	22,309	32,114	27,262	34,892
Fees and charges	1,341	961	-	-	1,341	961
Other income	-	-	50	-	50	-
Total income	6,294	3,739	22,359	32,114	28,653	35,853
Expenditure						
Salaries and NI	3,039	4,377	6,095	15,668	9,134	20,045
Freelance project workers	3,091	1,249	-	3,150	3,091	4,399
Freelance development workers	2,450	1,175	1,050	2,500	3,500	3,675
Freelance finance worker	880	817	462	576	1,342	1,393
Staff expenses	1,177	952	419	568	1,596	1,520
Staff and volunteer training	232	261	39	454	271	715
Activity materials and resources	1,170	1,682	4,115	1,521	5,285	3,203
Equipment and office consumables	179	1,194	620	276	799	1,470
Diocesan share	500	-	-	-	500	-
Mission giving	400	-	-	-	400	-
Insurance	512	383	-	-	512	383
Independent examination	180	-	480	480	660	480
Other admin costs	13	150	-	13	13	163
Grant repayment	-	307	1,372	921	1,372	1,228
Depreciation	467	467	-	-	467	467
Rent	430	2,605	3,520	2,240	3,950	4,845
Residential costs	-	-	4,349	7,127	4,349	7,127
Total expenditure	14,720	15,619	22,521	35,494	37,241	51,113
Net movement in funds	(8,426)	(11,880)	(162)	(3,380)	(8,588)	(15,260)
Fund balances brought forward	23,346	35,226	8,621	12,001	31,967	47,227
Fund balances carried forward	14,920	23,346	8,459	8,621	23,379	31,967