

MAIDSTONE CHURCHES WINTER SHELTER

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST MAY 2023

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**MAIDSTONE CHURCHES WINTER SHELTER
SUMMARY OF TRUST**

The Maidstone Churches Winter Shelter is a charity registered by the Charity Commission and governed by the Trust Deed made 31st March 2014, and amended on 15th May 2017.

Trustees	Mr G Mackley - Chairman Mrs W. Foster Mr M. Hinchliffe Rev Canon J. Tapper Miss Z Grzymala Mrs G McPherson
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Registered Office	6, Buckland Rd, Maidstone Kent ME16 OSL
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Bankers	Reliance Bank Limited 23-24 Lovat Lane, London EC3R 8EB
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CAF Bank
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West Malling
Kent ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner	Dr D Jennings Hocker Edge Farmhouse Friezley Lane Cranbrook Kent TN17 2LL
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Charity Commission Reference Number 115673
MAIDSTONE CHURCHES WINTER SHELTER
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MAY 2023

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st May 2023. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005, and comply with the Charities Act 2011.

Objectives of the Charity

To relieve the needs among persons in the Borough of Maidstone, Kent who are homeless, sleeping rough, or otherwise roofless by:

1. Providing hospitality and overnight shelter for homeless people in the winter months.
2. Engaging church members and other people in and around Maidstone to volunteer and build supportive relationships with homeless people in Maidstone, without discrimination on the grounds of race, gender, disability, sexual orientation, or religion.
3. Working in partnership with other agencies to address the issue of homelessness in Maidstone.
4. Undertaking such other purposes in relation to the needs of homeless people as the Trustees may from time to time determine.

Summary of the Main Achievements during the Year

We continued to provide accommodation for those homeless who did not fit the criteria established by the Maidstone Borough Council's own shelter, and also provided an overflow resource when needed. The Charity also provided hot meals every evening during the winter period.

Financial Resu'

The Deficit for the year was £32,116 mainly caused by a drop in Income from Grants and Collections, but also increased costs of hotel accommodation. The Charity still has sufficient reserves to cope with the Winter of 2023/4 and expects to receive an increased flow of Grants and Collections in the coming year.

Signed

August 2023

MAIDSTONE CHURCHES WINTER SHELTER

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 May 2023 which are set out on pages 6 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether 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, matters have come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements:
 - (1) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (2) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act, have been met to my satisfaction.

Dr. David Jennings
Hocker Edge Farmhouse,
Friezley Lane,
Cranbrook
Kent TN17 2LL
Date 1st November 2023

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE		
Year Ended 31 st May 2023	2023	2022

INCOME	£	£
Corporate Grants	34,744	78,661
Giving Agencies and other income	5,999	3,223
Individual Donations	12,259	6,409
Churches and other Groups	6,829	10,765
Legacy	0	8,781
Dividends from COIF	1,194	816
Total income	£61,025	£108,655
EXPENDITURE		
Salaries	50,446	50,447
Travelodge	20,183	8,934
Food and Support	8,760	4,075
Insurance	1,022	956
IT and phone	1,945	1,428
General Office expenses	5,922	3,217
Rent	3,186	2,994
Heating charges, Annual Report	2,464	4,488
Total Expenditure	£93,929	£76,539
DEFICIT (Surplus) for Year carried to Reserves	£-32,903	£32,116

BALANCE SHEET 31st May 2023	2023	2022
	£	£
Fixed Assets (<i>Note 2</i>)	0	0
Current Assets		
Balances at Banks	33,957	68,128
COIF Investment (<i>Note 5</i>)	40,000	40,000
Prepayment (<i>Note 3</i>)	720	720
Less: Creditors (<i>Note 4</i>)	-1,030	-2,298
Net Assets	£73,647	106,550
Represented by		
Reserves from last year	106,550	74,434
Surplus in the current year	-32,903	32,116
RESERVES CARRIED FORWARD	£73,647	£106,550

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1) Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting Convention. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP 2005, and the Charities Act 2011.

1.2 Incoming Resources are recorded gross on a receivable basis

1.3 Resources Expended are included on an accrual's basis

2) Fixed Assets

No fixed assets were purchased during the year.

3) Debtors	2023	2022
Rent Deposit	720	720
4) Creditors falling due within one year:		
PAYE	353	
1,344		
Rent	282	257
Brochure	<u>395</u>	<u>699</u>
TOTAL	<u>£1,030</u>	
<u>£2,300</u>		

5) COIF Investment

The current Investment of £40,000 was valued at £39,115 as at 31st May 2023.

6) Transactions with Trustees and Connected Persons

No trustee or connected person received any remuneration either directly, or indirectly.

7) Commitments not on the Statement of Financial Activities

At 31st May 2022 there were no commitments which had been accounted for within the SOFA