

The John 3:16 Trust

Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 July 2021

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YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	Mole Cottage Vicarage Road Blackwater Camberley GU17 9BE
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO - Foundation Registered 30 April 2014
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1156865
TRUSTEES	Angus Rosier Gavin Poole Joseph Mukungu
BANKERS	Barclays Bank PLC Cambridge & Counties Bank
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Mary Evans Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Objects of the charity

The Trust is a registered charity whose aim is to promote "the advancement of the Christian faith in such ways as the charity trustees may from time to time decide."

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

In September 2020, The John 3:16 Trust re-located church base to The Beacon Church, Camberley. This has already proved to be a much needed and tremendously positive change.

For the previous 6 years, the public ministry of the Trust has been very fruitful, exceeding expectations. However, by 2020, Adrian Holloway was feeling the negative effects of 6 years of working out of a spare bedroom. The public speaking was going better than ever, but the feelings of isolation and loneliness in between these events, while preparing for the next one was becoming a challenge. There was a sense of exhilarating preaching with many responding, followed by the barrenness of not being part of a team, and having no staff or colleagues.

After wide consultation, Adrian was encouraged by all the Newfrontiers sphere leaders to keep going and not abandon the very successful evangelistic ministry that he'd pioneered over the previous 24 years. It became clear that what was needed was for the Trust's ministry to be re-located and rooted in the heart of a local church, rather than being on the periphery of a church. It was time for Adrian to work in a team, rather than as a one-man band. That was the background to the J316 Trustees' decision to wholeheartedly support Adrian and Julia's decision to say yes to a wonderful invitation from The Beacon Church, Camberley.

With this move, for the first time, crucially, the local church ministry itself became part of Adrian's J316 Trust job description, recognizing the fact that any travelling itinerant ministry comes out of a church base, and cannot be totally divorced from it. This holistic approach much better reflects the reality of travelling itinerant evangelistic ministry. The J316 Trust is employing a person, and not just a robot who gives talks.

All the Trust's financial supporters had this change explained to them in a one on one conversation with Adrian Holloway. Supporters were told that a large part of 2020-21 would be spent with Adrian & Julia integrating into their new church family. Initially, much of this was via Zoom. However, during the spring and early summer of 2021, as groups of 6, and then 30, were allowed to gather in a back garden, the Holloways were eventually able to meet their new church family in person, and start to feel part of a church community.

The external ministry of the Trust during Covid was a contrast of two extremes. On the plus side, more people than ever before accessed the ministry of The J316 Trust during 2020-21. Hundreds more, sometimes thousands more viewed the Trust's work online than had done so previously in person. By contrast the immediate impact of the Trust's ministry was harder to detect, and the results are therefore more difficult to report with certainty.

The Trust delivered evangelistic preaching for churches in Essex (Chafford Hundred, Chadwell, South Ockendon and Basildon), at City Church Bristol and King's Church, Kingston. The City Church Bristol talk was a good example of the contrast. Six times more people viewed the content online than on previous visits in person, but fewer responded than when the Trust has been there in person.

Student ministry, defending the Christian faith before sceptics, continued at Durham University with live interaction Q & A happening online after the talk finished.

The Trust delivered Carol Services at Crown Church Hillingdon, Westminster Chapel and Christ Central Church Penge. The same trend continued with 4 to 6 times more people watching the live stream, but 4 to 6 times less people responding. Interestingly this was the same irrespective of how the response was invited. Chat rooms, online forms, text options all generated only a handful of concrete YES responses with people leaving contact details. Before Covid a typical Carol Service might generate 35 to 40 salvation responses, whereas online the number was more usually 4 or 5. Healing ministry also continued online, with the Trust ministering at Open Door Church, Sunbury.

Equipping churches in evangelism remains a huge part of the work of the Trust. This work was carried on at Hope Community Church Wymondham, King's Church Lewes, God First Church Dorset, and a group of churches based around Alton in Hampshire. The Trust also met up with The Oxford Centre for Christian Apologetics in Oxford to advise them on successful reaping strategies.

Personal online evangelism flourished during lockdown, with one remarkable breakthrough shared with the Trust's supporters through newsletters. The ongoing benefit of the Trust continued with hugely encouraging reports of the Trust's impact received from Hope Church Ipswich, and Dorchester Family Church.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Financial review

Income reduced to £60,000, approximately £38,000 less than in the previous year, due mainly to the absence of two large one-off donations. Expenditure decreased by around £39,000, to £46,000, due mainly to the reduction in payroll and travel costs. As a result the cash held by the charity increased by £14,000 to just over £48,000, of which all is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £10,000 (which equates to just under 3 months' of unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity are meeting this policy and held unrestricted cash of £48,054. The reserve levels are closely monitored and the trustees will consider how best to use any funds held above the current level.

Governance

The policy and operating decisions of the charity rest with the Trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the Trust.

New trustees are appointed by the Trustees.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A. Rosier

Date: 18 May 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

The John 3:16 Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The John 3:16 Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 31 July 2021 on pages 6 to 8 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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 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 accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Mary Evans

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Date: 18 May 2022

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	2021 £	2020 £
<i>Income receipts</i>				
Donations		60,133	60,133	97,925
Interest received		156	156	107
Other		-	-	-
<i>Total receipts</i>		<u>60,289</u>	<u>60,289</u>	<u>98,032</u>
Payments				
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	46,013	46,013	85,039
<i>Total payments</i>		<u>46,013</u>	<u>46,013</u>	<u>85,039</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		14,276	14,276	12,993
Transfers between funds		-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>14,276</u>	<u>14,276</u>	<u>12,993</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		33,778	33,778	20,785
Cash funds at this year end	A	<u>48,054</u>	<u>48,054</u>	<u>33,778</u>

The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

	Unrestricted funds £	2021 £	2020 £
A Cash funds			
Cash at bank with immediate access	22,741	22,741	23,621
Notice deposits	25,313	25,313	10,157
	48,054	48,054	33,778
B Liabilities			
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination	750	750	750
Pension deductions due to be paid over	275	275	550
	1,025	1,025	1,300
C Assets retained for charity's own use			
			Current value £
Computers and IT			500
			500

Current values have been estimated by the trustees.

D Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A. Rosier

Date: 18 May 2022

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly			
Employment costs (Note 3)	41,430	41,430	77,455
Travel costs	463	463	3,484
Conferences	-	-	154
Materials & Resources	509	509	450
Media & communication	1,580	1,580	1,244
Governance costs	1,140	1,140	920
Other costs	891	891	1,332
	<u>46,013</u>	<u>46,013</u>	<u>85,039</u>
3 Employees			
Salary		35,242	65,950
Employers National Insurance		1,242	4,910
Pension		4,946	6,595
		<u>41,430</u>	<u>77,455</u>

The charity has 1 part-time employee, to whom the employment costs above refer.

4 Transactions with related parties

No amounts were paid or are payable to any trustee or to any person connected to them.