

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

England & Wales · Charity number 1157080

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	08898983
Registered	2014-05-16
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	93 Balmoral Drive Bramcote Nottingham NG9 3FT
Phone	07547 417034
Email	info@bramcote.church
Website	www.bramcote.church

Activities

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Argentina
- Germany
- Kenya
- Madagascar
- Nottinghamshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£179,208	£196,996	-	-
2024-04-05	£166,409	£196,089	-	-
2023-04-05	£183,910	£178,254	-	-
2022-04-05	£191,127	£167,616	-	-
2021-04-05	£171,360	£124,002	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
BRIAN WILLIAM DAVIES	Chair	2012-03-08
Alec David Cobbett		2022-03-21
Kingsley Osadebamwen Osatohanmwene Iyoha		2025-05-19
Martin James Cornforth		2024-05-13
Natasha Kira Schneider		2024-05-13
PHILIP DAVID CARTER		2012-03-08
Paul Martin Jenkins		2021-06-14
Rev Richard Clive John Hopkins		2016-09-16
Rich Adam		2015-09-21
Ruth Elisabeth Attwood		2025-05-19
Ruth Hannah Watts		2024-05-13
Samuel Martin Strain		2025-07-17

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Signed by



J Davis

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Date approved: 24/11/2025

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)**Financial Statements****6 April 2024 to 5 April 2025****Statement of Financial Activities**

	2025 Unrestricted £	2025 Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Incoming resources				
Donations & gifts	178,197	180	178,377	165,245
Investment income	831	-	831	1,164
Total	179,028	180	179,208	166,409
Resources Expended				
Church activities	193,831	2,965	196,796	195,889
Governance costs	200	-	200	200
Total	194,031	2,965	196,996	196,089
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	(15,003)	(2,785)	(17,788)	(29,680)
Brought forward	70,149	25,198	95,347	125,027
Carried forward	55,146	22,413	77,559	95,347

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Balance Sheet

	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed Assets	-	-
Current Assets		
Debtors	40,827	39,830
Bank and cash balances	38,281	56,645
	79,108	96,475
Current Liabilities		
Creditors due within one year	1,549	1,128
	77,559	95,347
Net Current Assets		
	77,559	95,347
Total assets less current liabilities	77,559	95,347
Creditors due after one year	-	-
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Funds of the charity		
Unrestricted use income fund	55,146	70,149
Restricted use income fund (Building fund)	10,000	10,000
Restricted use income fund (Hardship fund)	12,413	15,198
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- For the year ended 5 April 2025 the Company has taken the exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
- The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the Directors on

And signed on their behalf by:

~~Paul Rogers, Director~~


B. Oliver

Chair of Trustees

28th Nov 2025

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 5 April 2025

1 Accounting Policies

Accounting Convention

The accounts have been prepared on the historic cost basis, in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Depreciation

The historic policy has been to write off the cost of fixtures, fittings and equipment in the year of acquisition.

Funds

Restricted use income funds are to be used for projects designated by donors. The Unrestricted use income fund allows the Church to budget for anticipated commitments and short term emergency needs.

Reserves Policy

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) aims to have financial reserves of between two and six times current average monthly expenditure. The Directors regularly review the financial health of the church at each of their managing trustees meetings.

2 Result for the year

This is stated after charging directors' insurance (£nil: 2024 £nil) and auditors' remuneration of £nil (2024: £nil) as the accounts are not subject to audit.

3 Tangible fixed assets

The Church has no capitalised Fixed Assets, the small items of equipment purchased have been written off in the year of acquisition.

4 Debtors

Debtors falling due within one year

	2025	2024
Prepayments and accrued income	40,827	39,830

5 Creditors due within one year

	2024	2024
Accruals	1,549	1,128

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 5 April 2025

6 Provisions for liabilities and charges and contingent liabilities

The directors are not aware of any contingent liabilities and there is no requirement for any provisions.

7 Employees

	2025	2024
Average number of employees during the year	3	3

8 Directors' Remuneration

No director received remuneration for services provided in their role as director during the year. Two of the directors have received remuneration during the year as part of their employment by Emmanuel Church (Bramcote).

Richard Hopkins received remuneration of £53,432 (2024: £51,776) and pension contributions of £6,448 (2024: £6,213) for the year and Rich Adam received remuneration of £36,285 (2024: £35,257) and pension contributions of £4,390 (2024: £4,231) for the year.

Four directors received reimbursement of expenses for covering travel and accommodation expenses, costs incurred on behalf of the charity or for training costs. The total amount of expenses reimbursed by Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) to directors was £6,232.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

I report on the accounts for the Church for the year ended 5 April 2025 set out on pages 1 to 4.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of S.144(2) Charities Act 2011 does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified by the Charity Commissioners under S 145 of the Act whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's Statement

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 in the accounts. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence required in an audit, and I therefore do not express an audit opinion.

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
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with S 130 of the Act; and
 - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Charities Act.have not been met; or
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T Sydney BSc MBA

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New Members and Directors are appointed by the current Members, following a process involving consultations with the Directors and with the wider church as set out in the bylaws.

The Directors (also referred to as Managing Trustees) normally meet five or six times per year, and the meetings are fully recorded with agendas and minutes. A sub group consisting of the Directors, but excluding those who are also paid members of staff, sets pay and remuneration, using the Teachers Pay Scale as a guide. The Directors are assisted in the day to day care and running of the Church by a body of Elders (also called the Leadership Team) comprising the Members of the company, which meets roughly fortnightly. Induction to the role of Director and training are provided on an individual basis as appropriate. External training for particular roles is also made available.

The Directors ensure that policies and procedures are regularly updated and reviewed. Legal advice is sought when necessary. A register of Directors' interests is held to ensure that we are aware of conflicts of interest and manage them appropriately. This is updated regularly, and any potential conflicts are declared at the beginning of each Directors' meeting. The Directors have a clear procedure that if there is a potential conflict of interest on any matter, the Director with the potential conflict of interest is asked to leave the room and takes no part in the debate or decision. The Church had three paid employees during the period of this report, of whom two were also Directors: Richard Adam and Richard Hopkins. We are heavily dependent in all our activities on help voluntarily given by members of the congregation, including two part time members of staff employed on a voluntary basis.

The company is affiliated to three organisations: The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC), the Midlands Gospel Partnership (MGP), and the Evangelical Alliance (EA). These affiliations have no impact on the operating policies adopted by the company.

Objectives and activities

Our charitable purposes:

- to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith;

- to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support;
- to advance education.

Our key objectives for this financial year have been:

- to hold weekly church services at Bramcote College to advance the Christian faith in Bramcote.
- to livestream these services, making them available online so as to include more people
- to run regular activities during our weekly services for children and young people, as well as additional activities outside of the services.
- to continue with our midweek group meetings to enable church members to grow as Christians together.
- to provide regular events to which unbelievers can be invited to hear about the Christian faith.
- to begin to respond to the results of the review of our leadership practices at Emmanuel, conducted in the previous financial year.
- to raise, through prayerful reliance on God and regular reports to the congregation, sufficient funds to cover our activities for this financial year.
- to continue the 'hardship fund' and use it to help those within the congregation who face financial pressures.
- to use a minimum of ten percent of our non-trading income to support partner organisations in advancing the Christian Faith in Bramcote, the UK and around the world.

The Directors have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in planning the activities of the charity during the year 23-24. This report notes identifiable benefits to the public in line with these purposes.

In the first part of the year, we were significantly affected by staff absences resulting from a difficult situation within the church. Our priority at this time was to enable staff to recover and return to work whilst maintaining the regular running of the church. In God's grace, and thanks to the hard work of volunteers, we were able to do this. However, this did for a time affect our ability to focus on anything other than regular church activities.

We have since pressed ahead with plans to review staff working conditions, update and expand policies and procedures, and add new members to the Leadership Team (Members) and the Managing Trustees (Directors) of the church. The Directors were pleased to be joined by Rachel Atkin, who was appointed with a particular responsibility for employment, and to make significant progress in the path towards appointing new Directors with responsibility for Safeguarding and Health and Safety. We also appointed Brian Davies, already a Director, to the Leadership Team, and made progress towards making an additional appointment to the Leadership Team.

Many of the actions above were taken in response to a survey of church members conducted in February 2023 regarding healthy leadership within the church. The results of the survey highlighted six areas which the Leadership Team have committed to reviewing. Two of the areas were the burden placed on staff and leaders in the church, and the need to review and expand leadership structures. The Leadership Team has now begun looking at a third area, communication, and hopes to make progress with this in the coming year.

Our weekly services, seeking to advance the Christian faith through teaching, singing and prayer, continued through the year, and were livestreamed online. These meetings are open to all and livestreamed so as to be accessible to as many as possible. Our midweek Growth Groups were reduced to six, but met throughout the year, also advancing the Christian faith through their key aim of helping one another to grow as Christians.

Other regular meetings also continued: Our monthly prayer meetings, our termly members' meetings, and regular meetings for both men and women in the church.

Our children and youth work continued alongside our services, as well as our midweek 'YPF' group aimed at encouraging 14-19 year olds in their faith, and 'Pebbles Plus', a group aimed at preschool children and their carers, providing a place for fun for the children, friendship and support for carers, and a chance to hear something about the Christian faith through the bible stories. We are thrilled to have baptised a number of young people this year.

We also ran a number of events aimed at introducing non-Christians to the Christian faith. These included a quiz night, carol services and carol singing at Christmas, and a Christmas trail.

It has been a joy to see the increasing number of our young people attending Christian camps in the summer, and many of our members volunteering to help lead on camps. These camps are open to children from Christian and non-Christian families and help to advance the Christian faith by providing fun holidays with Christian teaching. We were pleased to be able to encourage church members volunteering on these camps by providing small amounts of financial support towards the camps' running costs. We were also pleased to support a new camp which was run almost exclusively by members of Emmanuel.

We continued to support the work of the Midlands Gospel Partnership and the Midlands Ministry Training Course which seeks to provide practical training for biblical ministry.

We continued our support of a local charity, Crossteach, both financially and with staff and volunteer time. Crossteach teaches about the Christian faith in schools, through lessons, assemblies and lunchtime clubs.

We have also provided financial support to charities and individuals working in Argentina, Germany, Egypt, Nottingham, and Oxford, seeking to advance the Christian faith. We are pleased that we have once again been able to meet our objective of giving 10% of our non-trading income to such partners. To reduce any risk of fraud, all gifts to those working overseas are made via charities based in the UK. We also support these individuals through regular contact and prayer.

Following a difficult start to the year, we are thankful to God for his faithfulness to us and for the work he has done in and through us over the past twelve months.

Financial Review

General Funds:

Income:

This decreased by 10%.

The total amount of donations without conditions received from Directors during the year amounted to £39,920. There were no donations received from the Directors with conditions.

Expenditure:

This increased by 10%. Staff salaries remain our biggest expense. None of the employees earned more than £60,000 during this financial year.

The two ministers were both Directors of the company, and in addition to their salaries totaling £87,033, received employer pension contributions of £10,444 and were reimbursed £6,959 for their expenses.

The non-staff Directors did not receive any remuneration, nor receive any expenses apart from being reimbursed for expenses for items purchased for the charity.

We are pleased to have been able to meet our aim of giving 10% of our non-trading income to support partners in Bramcote and around the world who share our objectives.

Balance:

This led to a deficit of £29,680. This meant that our total general funds were £70,149. This equates to circa 4.5 months of our normal expenditure. This remains below the upper limit of our reserves policy of aiming to have between 2 – 6 months' of running costs and has fallen since April.

Restricted Funds:

Our building fund was not used in this financial year. The donors to this fund are happy that it is kept by us for the future.

We opened a hardship fund at the beginning of the pandemic. In this financial year it had an income of £150 (including Gift Aid) and grants totaling £5,400 were made. This resulted in the net balance in the fund being £15,198. In addition, an interest-free loan was made of £2,400 to be repaid over 4 years in equal monthly instalments. The previous loan issued of £8,000 saw monthly repayments made in line with the planned repayment schedule.

Signed by



S. M. M.

Chair of Trustees and Directors

Date approved: *22nd Dec 2024*

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

Financial Statements

6 April 2023 to 5 April 2024

Statement of Financial Activities

	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Incoming resources				
Donations & gifts	165,095	150	165,245	183,633
Investment income	1,164		1,164	277
Total	166,259	150	166,409	183,910
Resources Expended				
Church activities	190,489	5,400	195,889	178,054
Governance costs	200		200	200
Total	190,689	5,400	196,089	178,254
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	(24,430)	(5,250)	(29,680)	5,656
Brought forward	94,579	30,448	125,027	119,371
Carried forward	70,149	25,198	95,347	125,027

The attached notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

Financial Statements

6 April 2023 to 5 April 2024

Balance Sheet

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fixed Assets	-	-
Current Assets		
Debtors	39,830	43,799
Bank and cash balances	56,645	83,209
	96,475	127,008
Current Liabilities		
Creditors due within one year	1,128	1,981
	95,347	125,027
Net Current Assets		
	95,347	125,027
Total assets less current liabilities	95,347	125,027
Creditors due after one year	-	-
Net Assets	95,347	125,027
Funds of the charity		
Unrestricted use income fund	70,149	94,579
Restricted use income fund (Building fund)	10,000	10,000
Restricted use income fund (Hardship fund)	15,198	20,448
Total Funds	95,347	125,027

- The attached notes form an integral part of the financial statements
- For the year ended 5 April 2024 the Company has taken the exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
- The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the Directors on 22 December 2024

And signed on their behalf by:



Brian Davies, Director

22nd Dec 2024

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 5 April 2024

1 Accounting Policies

Accounting Convention

The accounts have been prepared on the historic cost basis, in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Depreciation

The historic policy has been to write off the cost of fixtures, fittings and equipment in the year of acquisition.

Funds

Restricted use income funds are to be used for projects designated by donors. The Unrestricted use income fund allows the Church to budget for anticipated commitments and short term emergency needs.

Reserves Policy

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) aims to have financial reserves of between two and six times current average monthly expenditure. The Directors regularly review the financial health of the church at each of their managing trustees meetings.

2 Result for the year

This is stated after charging directors' insurance (£nil: 2023 £nil) and auditors' remuneration of £nil (2023: £nil) as the accounts are not subject to audit.

3 Tangible fixed assets

The Church has no capitalised Fixed Assets, the small items of equipment purchased have been written off in the year of acquisition.

4 Debtors

Debtors falling due within one year

	2024	2023
Prepayments and accrued income	39,830	43,799

5 Creditors due within one year

	2024	2023
Accruals	1,128	1,981

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 5 April 2024

6 Provisions for liabilities and charges and contingent liabilities

The directors are not aware of any contingent liabilities and there is no requirement for any provisions.

7 Employees

	2024	2023
Average number of employees during the year	3	3

8 Directors' Remuneration

No director received remuneration for services provided in their role as director during the year. Two of the directors have received remuneration during the year as part of their employment by Emmanuel Church (Bramcote).

Richard Hopkins received remuneration of £51,776 (2023: £48,032) and pension contributions of £6,213 (2023: £5,764) for the year and Rich Adam received remuneration of £35,257 (2023: £32,714) and pension contributions of £4,231 (2023: £3,340) for the year.

Three directors (2023: six) received reimbursement of expenses for covering travel and accommodation expenses, costs incurred on behalf of the charity or for training costs. The total amount of expenses reimbursed by Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) to directors was £5,167 (2023: £9,477).

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

I report on the accounts for the Church for the year ended 5 April 2024 set out on pages 1 to 5.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of S.144(2) Charities Act 2011 does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified by the Charity Commissioners under S 145 of the Act whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's Statement

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 in the accounts. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence required in an audit, and I therefore do not express an audit opinion.

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
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with S 130 of the Act; and
 - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Charities 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.

Independent Examiner

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

England & Wales - Charity number 1157080

Accounts



Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

Combined Trustees and Directors Report

06 April 2022 – 05 April 2023

Introduction

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) is a Registered Charity in England and Wales (1157080) and is registered as a company limited by guarantee in England and Wales (08898983). It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association. The charity also uses the name Emmanuel Church Bramcote.

Registered Charity and Company Office: 10 Crummock Close, Bramcote, Nottingham, NG9 3BG.

The Directors: Richard Adam, Edward Bowerman, Philip Carter, Alec Cobbett, Brian Davies, Richard Hopkins, Paul Jenkins, Brian Kruger, Alexander Slowey*

The Members: Richard Adam, Edward Bowerman, Richard Hopkins, Paul Jenkins, Brian Kruger, Alexander Slowey*

*New Members and Directors are appointed by the current Members, following a process involving consultations with the Directors and with the wider church. Alexander Slowey stepped down as a Director and Member in March 2023.

The Directors normally meet five times per year, and the meetings are fully recorded with agendas and minutes. A sub group consisting of the Directors, but excluding those who are also paid members of staff, sets pay and remuneration, using the Teachers Pay Scale as a guide. The Directors are assisted in the day to day care and running of the Church by a body of Elders (also called the Leadership Team) comprising the Members of the company, which meets roughly fortnightly. Induction to the role of Director and training are provided on a personal basis as appropriate.

The Directors ensure that policies and procedures are regularly updated and reviewed. Legal advice is sought when necessary. A register of Directors' interests is held to ensure that we are aware of conflicts of interest and manage them appropriately. This is updated regularly, and any potential conflicts are declared at the beginning of each Directors' meeting. The Directors have a clear procedure that if there is a potential conflict of interest on any matter, the Director with the potential conflict of interest is asked to leave the room and take no part in the debate or decision. The Church had three paid employees during the period of this report, of whom two were also Directors: Richard Adam and Richard Hopkins. We are heavily dependent in all our activities on help voluntarily given by members of the congregation, including a full time member of staff employed on a voluntary basis.

The company is affiliated to three organisations: The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC), the Midlands Gospel Partnership (MGP), and the Evangelical Alliance (EA). These affiliations have no impact on the operating policies adopted by the company.

Objectives and activities

Our charitable purposes:

- to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith;
- to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support;
- to advance education.

Our key objectives for this financial year have been:

- to hold weekly church services at Bramcote College to advance the Christian faith in Bramcote.
- To livestream these services, making them available online so as to include more people
- To run regular activities during our weekly services for children and young people, as well as additional activities outside of the services.
- to review and reshuffle our midweek group meetings to make them more effective.
- to provide regular events to which unbelievers can be invited to hear about the Christian faith. In particular, to run a number of events over a period of three weeks as part of the national 'Passion for Life' initiative.
- To launch a review of our leadership practices at Emmanuel, in response to awareness of recent cases of harmful leadership in other churches.
- to raise, through prayerful reliance on God and regular reports to the congregation, sufficient funds to cover our activities for this financial year.
- to continue the 'hardship fund' and use it to help those within the congregation who are particularly affected by the pandemic or other financial pressures.
- to use a minimum of ten percent of our non-trading income to support partner organisations in advancing the Christian Faith in Bramcote, the UK and around the world.

The Directors have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in planning the activities of the charity during the year 22-23. This report notes identifiable benefits to the public in line with these purposes.

We began the year with services beginning to feel more normal again following the COVID 19 pandemic. We had just removed most of the restrictions necessary for stopping the spread of COVID, and reintroduced refreshments. We continued to allow for social distancing at the back of the hall.

We are very thankful to have been able to return to weekly services, seeking to advance the Christian faith through teaching, singing and prayer. In addition, since coming back from lockdown, we have been able to livestream these services and make video recordings of previous services available on our website. This has proved invaluable in increasing the number of people who can access our services, and in allowing those new to the church to see what a service is like before visiting in person. We are pleased to have seen new people attending on Sunday mornings and joining the church.

Our nine midweek 'Connect groups' also continued to meet from March until July, allowing them to continue to meet their aims of helping advance the Christian faith and providing counselling and support to those in the church community and beyond. During this period, the Leadership Team spent some time reviewing the groups and considering how to make them more effective. The groups were reshuffled and relaunched in September under the new name of Growth Groups. This clarified the key aim of the groups: to help one another to grow as Christians. We moved from having nine groups with two leaders each to having seven larger groups with four leaders each. It was hoped that this would provide greater stability to the groups.

We have also begun meeting in-person once again in our monthly prayer meetings, termly members' meetings and regular meetings for both men and women in the church.

Our children and youth work continued alongside our services, as well as our midweek 'YPF' group aimed at encouraging 14-19 year olds in their faith, and 'Pebbles Plus', a group aimed at preschool children and their carers, providing a place for fun for the children, friendship and support for carers, and a chance to hear something about the Christian faith through the bible stories.

As well as our Sunday services, we ran a number of events aimed at introducing non-Christians to the Christian faith. We were especially pleased to be able to join many other churches in the

UK with the 'A Passion for Life', running a variety of events over a three-week period to which members of the community were invited. We were pleased to have had good attendance across these events.

We continued to support the work of the Midlands Gospel Partnership and the Midlands Ministry Training Course which seeks to provide practical training for biblical ministry. We supported this both financially and through releasing staff members to teach on the course.

We continued our support of a local charity, Crossteach, both financially and with staff and volunteer time. Crossteach teaches about the Christian faith in schools, through lessons, assemblies and lunchtime clubs.

We have also provided financial support to charities and individuals working in Argentina, Germany, Egypt, Madagascar, Nottingham, and Oxford, seeking to advance the Christian faith. We are pleased that we have once again been able to meet our objective of giving 10% of our non-trading income to such partners. To reduce any risk of fraud, all gifts to those working overseas are made via charities based in the UK. We also support these individuals through regular contact and prayer.

After the impact of the COVID pandemic, we are thankful to God for a full year of being able to meet in person on Sundays and in our other regular activities, and for enabling us to continue to share the good news about Jesus through our events and activities.

Financial Review

General Funds:

Income:

This increased by 1%.

The total amount of donations without conditions received from Directors during the year amounted to £43,173. There were no donations received from the Directors with conditions.

Expenditure:

This increased by 7%. Staff salaries remain our biggest expense. None of the employees earned more than £60,000 during this financial year.

The two ministers were both Directors of the company, and in addition to their salaries totaling £80,746, received employer pension contributions of £9,104 and were reimbursed £6,013.41 for their expenses.

The non-staff Directors did not receive any remuneration, nor receive any expenses apart from being reimbursed for expenses for items purchased for the charity.

We are pleased to have been able to meet our aim of giving 10% of our non-trading income to support partners in Bramcote and around the world who share our objectives.

Balance:

This led to a surplus of £5,656. This meant that our total general funds were £94,579. This equates to circa 5 months of our normal expenditure. This remains below the upper limit of our reserves policy of aiming to have between 2 – 6 months' of running cost in the church's bank account and is expected to decrease during FY23/24.

Restricted Funds:

Our building fund was not used in this financial year. The donors to this fund are happy that it is kept by us for the future.

We opened a hardship fund at the beginning of the pandemic. In this financial year it had an income of £6,610 (including Gift Aid) and grants totaling £5,675 were made. This resulted in the

net balance in the fund being £20,448. In addition, an interest-free loan was made of £8,000 to be repaid over 4 years in equal monthly instalments with £500.01 being repaid by the end of the financial year.

Signed by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. M. Fawcett', written in a cursive style.

On behalf of the Trustees and Directors

Date approved:

28/1/24

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

Financial Statements

6 April 2022 to 5 April 2023

Statement of Financial Activities

	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Incoming resources				
Donations & gifts	177,023	6,610	183,633	186,860
Investment income	277		277	8
Income from church activities				4,259
Total	177,300	6,610	183,910	191,127
Resources Expended				
Church activities	172,378	5,676	178,054	167,421
Governance costs	200		200	195
Total	172,578	5,676	178,254	167,616
Net incoming resources	4,722	934	5,656	23,511
Brought forward	89,857	29,514	119,371	48,502
Carried forward	94,579	30,448	125,027	72,013

The attached notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)
Financial Statements
6 April 2022 to 5 April 2023

Balance Sheet

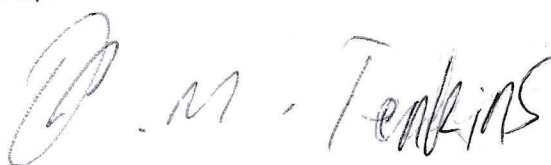
	2023	2022
	£	£
Fixed Assets	-	-
Current Assets		
Debtors	43,799	10,740
Bank and cash balances	83,209	114,320
	127,008	125,060
Current Liabilities		
Creditors due within one year	1,981	5,689
	125,027	119,371
Total assets less current liabilities	125,027	119,371
Creditors due after one year	-	-
Net Assets	125,027	119,371
Funds of the charity		
Unrestricted use income fund	94,579	89,857
Restricted use income fund (Building fund)	10,000	10,000
Restricted use income fund (Hardship fund)	20,448	19,514
Total Funds	125,027	119,371

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- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the Directors on

And signed on their behalf by:

Paul Jenkins, Director



Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 5 April 2023

1 Accounting Policies

Accounting Convention

The accounts have been prepared on the historic cost basis, in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Depreciation

The historic policy has been to write off the cost of fixtures, fittings and equipment in the year of acquisition.

Funds

Restricted use income funds are to be used for projects designated by donors. The Unrestricted use income fund allows the Church to budget for anticipated commitments and short term emergency needs.

Reserves Policy

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) aims to have financial reserves of between two and six times current average monthly expenditure. The Directors regularly review the financial health of the church at each of their managing trustees meetings.

2 Result for the year

This is stated after charging directors' insurance (£nil: 2022 £nil) and auditors' remuneration of £nil (2022: £nil) as the accounts are not subject to audit.

3 Tangible fixed assets

The Church has no capitalised Fixed Assets, the small items of equipment purchased have been written off in the year of acquisition.

4 Debtors

Debtors falling due within one year

	2023	2022
Prepayments and accrued income	43,799	10,740

5 Creditors due within one year

	2023	2022
Accruals	1,981	5,689

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 5 April 2023

6 Provisions for liabilities and charges and contingent liabilities

The directors are not aware of any contingent liabilities and there is no requirement for any provisions.

7 Employees

	2023	2022
Average number of employees during the year	3	3

8 Directors' Remuneration

No director received remuneration for services provided in their role as director during the year. Two of the directors have received remuneration during the year as part of their employment by Emmanuel Church (Bramcote).

Richard Hopkins received remuneration of £48,032 and pension contributions of £5,764 for the year and Rich Adam received remuneration of £32,714 and pension contributions of £3,340 for the year.

Six directors received reimbursement of expenses for covering travel and accommodation expenses, costs incurred on behalf of the charity or for training costs. The total amount of expenses reimbursed by Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) to directors was £9,477.

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Thomas Sydney BSc, MBA

Independent Charity Examiner

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

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6 April 2022 to 5 April 2023

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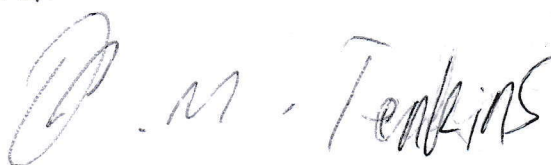
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Creditors due within one year	1,981	5,689
	125,027	119,371
Net Current Assets	125,027	119,371
Total assets less current liabilities	125,027	119,371
Creditors due after one year	-	-
Net Assets	125,027	119,371
Funds of the charity		
Unrestricted use income fund	94,579	89,857
Restricted use income fund (Building fund)	10,000	10,000
Restricted use income fund (Hardship fund)	20,448	19,514
Total Funds	125,027	119,371

- The attached notes form an integral part of the financial statements
- For the year ended 5 April 2023 the Company has taken the exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
- The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the Directors on

And signed on their behalf by:

Paul Jenkins, Director



Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 5 April 2023

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Accounting Convention

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The historic policy has been to write off the cost of fixtures, fittings and equipment in the year of acquisition.

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Restricted use income funds are to be used for projects designated by donors. The Unrestricted use income fund allows the Church to budget for anticipated commitments and short term emergency needs.

Reserves Policy

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) aims to have financial reserves of between two and six times current average monthly expenditure. The Directors regularly review the financial health of the church at each of their managing trustees meetings.

2 Result for the year

This is stated after charging directors' insurance (£nil: 2022 £nil) and auditors' remuneration of £nil (2022: £nil) as the accounts are not subject to audit.

3 Tangible fixed assets

The Church has no capitalised Fixed Assets, the small items of equipment purchased have been written off in the year of acquisition.

4 Debtors

Debtors falling due within one year

	2023	2022
Prepayments and accrued income	43,799	10,740

5 Creditors due within one year

	2023	2022
Accruals	1,981	5,689

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 5 April 2023

6 Provisions for liabilities and charges and contingent liabilities

The directors are not aware of any contingent liabilities and there is no requirement for any provisions.

7 Employees

	2023	2022
Average number of employees during the year	3	3

8 Directors' Remuneration

No director received remuneration for services provided in their role as director during the year. Two of the directors have received remuneration during the year as part of their employment by Emmanuel Church (Bramcote).

Richard Hopkins received remuneration of £48,032 and pension contributions of £5,764 for the year and Rich Adam received remuneration of £32,714 and pension contributions of £3,340 for the year.

Six directors received reimbursement of expenses for covering travel and accommodation expenses, costs incurred on behalf of the charity or for training costs. The total amount of expenses reimbursed by Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) to directors was £9,477.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

I report on the accounts for the Church for the year ended 5 April 2023 set out on pages 1 to 5.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

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Basis of Examiner's Statement

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 in the accounts. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence required in an audit, and I therefore do not express an audit opinion.

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Independent Charity Examiner

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

England & Wales - Charity number 1157080

Accounts



Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

Combined Trustees and Directors Report

06 April 2021 – 05 April 2022

Introduction

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) is a Registered Charity in England and Wales (1157080) and is registered as a company limited by guarantee in England and Wales (08898983). It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association. The charity also uses the name Emmanuel Church Bramcote.

Registered Charity and Company Office: 10 Crummock Close, Bramcote, Nottingham, NG9 3BG.

The Directors: Richard Adam, Edward Bowerman, Philip Carter, Alec Cobbett*, Brian Davies, Richard Hopkins, Paul Jenkins*, Brian Kruger, Alexander Slowey

The Members: Richard Adam, Edward Bowerman, Richard Hopkins, Paul Jenkins*, Brian Kruger, Alexander Slowey

*New Members and Directors are appointed by the current Members. Paul Jenkins become a Member and Director in June 2021. Alec Cobbett became a Director in March 2022.

The Directors normally meet five times per year, and the meetings are fully recorded with agendas and minutes. A sub group consisting of the Directors, but excluding those who are also paid members of staff, sets pay and remuneration, using the Teachers Pay Scale as a guide. The Directors are assisted in the day to day care and running of the Church by a body of Elders comprising the Members of the company, which meets roughly fortnightly. Induction to the role of Director and training are provided on a personal basis as appropriate.

The Directors ensure that policies and procedures are regularly updated and reviewed. Legal advice is sought when necessary. A register of Directors' interests is held to ensure that we are aware of conflicts of interest and manage them appropriately. This is updated regularly. The trustees have a clear procedure that if there is a potential conflict of interest on any matter, the trustee with the potential conflict of interest is asked to leave the room and take no part in the debate or decision. The Church had three paid employees during the period of this report, of whom two were also Directors: Richard Adam and Richard Hopkins. We are heavily dependent in all our activities on help voluntarily given by members of the congregation, including a full time member of staff employed on a voluntary basis.

The company is affiliated to three organisations: The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC), the Midlands Gospel Partnership (MGP), and the Evangelical Alliance (EA). These affiliations have no impact on the operating policies adopted by the company.

Objectives and activities

Our charitable purposes:

- to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith;
- to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support;
- to advance education.

Our key objectives for this financial year have been:

- to continue to make weekly online church services available to advance the Christian faith in Bramcote, including the period when it was not possible to run services in-person.

- to continue online meetings and activities to advance the Christian faith in Bramcote, including activities for children and young people, until it was possible to run these in-person.
- to restart in-person weekly services to advance the Christian faith, ensuring these services are safe and compliant with whichever COVID guidelines were then in place.
- to manage the transition from online to in-person activities in such a way as to enable all church members to be involved and feel safe.
- to provide regular online events to which unbelievers can be invited to hear about the Christian faith.
- to raise, through prayerful reliance on God and regular reports to the congregation, sufficient funds to cover our activities for this financial year.
- to continue the 'hardship fund' and use it to help those within the congregation who are particularly affected by the pandemic or other financial pressures.
- to use a minimum of ten percent of our non-trading income to support partner organisations in advancing the Christian Faith in Bramcote, the UK and around the world.

The Directors have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in planning the activities of the charity during the year 21-22. This report notes identifiable benefits to the public in line with these purposes.

The year began in the midst of a third national lockdown in response to the COVID 19 pandemic, with restrictions just beginning to be relaxed. This meant our activities had to be held online, though we were able to hold a small number of services in-person at Beeston Free Church.

Weekly services, seeking to advance the Christian faith through teaching, singing and prayer were pre-recorded and made available on our website, with fortnightly Zoom services offered as an alternative option. From June 2021 we were able to start services at Bramcote College again. These were held outdoors until October (barring one wet Sunday in August) to reduce the risk of COVID spreading, and to make it possible for those who were more vulnerable or nervous to attend and feel safe. Indoor services began in October 2021, with attendees being asked to book in advance and wear face masks whilst singing and moving around the building. We ensured adequate ventilation by keeping the fire doors open. We removed these restrictions in March 2022, whilst keeping a measure of social distancing at the back of the hall for those feeling more vulnerable or nervous. By the end of the year we had reintroduced refreshments after the service, and services were beginning to feel more 'normal' again. We are delighted that with these measures the vast majority of our congregation have returned to meeting in-person again. We are also pleased to have seen new people attending on Sunday mornings and joining the church.

To help with the transition back to meeting in-person, we have made a significant investment in equipment and training to enable us to livestream our services online. This means that going forward, our normal weekly in-person services will be accessible to others who are not physically present, both regular members who happen to be unable to attend, and those outside the church who would like to see what our services are like.

The return to in-person services also allowed us to celebrate the Lord's Supper again, a key aspect of advancing the Christian faith in our services that we had been unable to practice during the national lockdowns.

Our nine midweek 'Connect groups' also continued to meet online to begin with, each group deciding independently when to start meeting in-person once that was allowed, or whether to attempt hybrid meetings with some people in-person and some online. All groups continued to meet and see good attendance, allowing them to continue to meet their aim of helping advance the Christian faith and to provide counselling and support to those in the church community and beyond.

We also continued to hold regular online prayer meetings, Church Members' meetings, and monthly meetings for both men and women in the church. Having noted that these meetings are easier to attend online, we held off moving back to in-person meetings this year, though that is something we will be looking to do in future.

We were also able to restart our weekly group 'Pebbles Plus' aimed at preschool children and their carers, providing a place for fun for the children, friendship and support for carers, and a chance to hear something about the Christian faith through the bible stories.

Efforts to reach out to the community online continued as well. We held two virtual quizzes aimed at the general public and each involving an introductory talk to Christianity. Our three carol services were advertised online and through leaflets delivered in the local area, and two of them were livestreamed to enable as many as possible to participate. We had a Christmas trail in the area, aimed at families, and we planned an outdoor community carols service at the college, which unfortunately had to be cancelled at the last minute due to bad weather. Our Good Friday and Easter services were also publicised in the local area. Despite these events, we recognise that we have lost ground in our attempts to reach beyond our regular members. We began to address this by arranging a number of evangelism training events for church members, and hope to have more outreach events in the coming year.

Our children and youth work continued online initially alongside our services, but transitioned back to meeting in-person over the course of the year. This was greatly helped by the appointment in January 2021 of a new Youth and Children's Coordinator.

We continued to support the work of the Midlands Gospel Partnership and the Midlands Ministry Training Course which seeks to provide practical training for biblical ministry. We supported this both financially and through releasing staff members to teach on the course. This year the course moved from meeting online to meeting in-person again.

We continued our support of a local charity, Crossteach, both financially and with staff and volunteer time. Crossteach teaches about the Christian faith in schools, through lessons, assemblies and lunchtime clubs.

We have also provided financial support to charities and individuals working in Argentina, Germany, South Sudan, Nottingham, Oxford and Wigan seeking to advance the Christian faith. We are pleased that we have once again been able to meet our objective of giving 10% of our non-trading income to such partners. To reduce any risk of fraud, all gifts to those working overseas are made via charities based in the UK. We also support these individuals through regular contact and prayer.

Following the Russian invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, we have been considering what we as a church can do to help refugees fleeing the violence. As well as prayer, we have made a gift to help churches in Ukraine and Poland who are helping refugees. We are also aware of a number of church members who have expressed a desire to host refugees in their houses, and we are considering how we can support them in this.

This has been a year of trying to get back to normal in-person meetings after a period of having to meet online. We are so thankful to God for enabling us to do this, for adding new members to our congregation, and for enabling us to continue to share the good news about Jesus through our events and activities.

Financial Review

General Funds:

Income:

This increased by 11%.

The total amount of donations without conditions received from Directors during the year amounted to £43,565. They were no donations received from the Directors with conditions.

Expenditure:

This was increased by 40%. This mainly reflects the increased activities of the church post-pandemic and employing 3 staff for the whole financial year. Staff salaries remains our biggest expense. None of the employees earned more than £60,000 during this financial year.

The two ministers were both Directors of the company, and in addition to their salaries totaling £74,659, received employer pension contributions of £8,959 and were reimbursed £4,548 for their expenses.

The non-staff Directors did not receive any remuneration, nor receive any expenses apart from being reimbursed for purchases they made for the charity.

We are pleased to have been able to meet our aim of giving 10% of our non-trading income to support partners in Bramcote and around the world who share our objectives.

Balance:

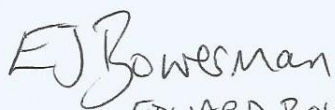
These led to a surplus of £14,706. This meant that our total general funds were £89,846. This equates to 6.4 months of our normal expenditure. This is now just above the upper limit of our reserves policy of aiming to have between 2 – 6 months' of running cost in the church's bank account. The directors are reviewing this to ensure that we are maximizing the use of the church's resources.

Restricted Funds:

Our building fund was not used in this financial year. The donors to this fund are happy that it is kept by us for the future.

We opened a hardship fund at the beginning of the pandemic. In this financial year it had an income of £8,805 (including Gift Aid). No grants were made in this financial year, although some have been made just after the finish of the financial year.

Signed by


EDWARD BOWERMAN

On behalf of the Trustees and Directors

Date approved: 23 JANUARY 2023

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

6 APRIL 2021 to 5 APRIL 2022

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
INCOMING RESOURCES (See page 7)				
Donations & gifts	178055	8805	186860	171180
Investment income	8		8	12
Income from church activities	4259		4259	168
TOTAL	<u>182322</u>	<u>8805</u>	<u>191127</u>	<u>171360</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED (See page 8)				
Church activities	167421	0	167421	123807
Governance costs	195		195	195
TOTAL	<u>167616</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>167616</u>	<u>124002</u>
TRANSFERS				
NET INCOMING RESOURCES	14706	8805	23511	47358
Brought forward	75151	20709	95860	48502
Carried forward	<u>89857</u>	<u>29514</u>	<u>119371</u>	<u>95860</u>

The attached notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

6 APRIL 2021 to 5 APRIL 2022

BALANCE SHEET

	Note	2022	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	4	10740	8999
Bank and cash balances		114320	91046
		125060	100045
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors due within one year	5	5689	4185
NET CURRENT ASSETS		119371	95860
Total assets less current liabilities		119371	95860
Creditors due after one year			
NET ASSETS		119371	95860
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted use income fund		89857	75151
Restricted use income fund (Building fund)		10000	10000
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Approved by the Trustees/Directors on
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Edward Bowerman
EDWARD BOWERMAN
1 JANUARY 2023

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
1 RESULT FOR THE PERIOD IS STATED AFTER CHARGING:		
Trustee's insurance	nil	nil
Auditor's remuneration - the accounts are not subject to an audit		
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Trustees emoluments	nil	nil
There were no transactions during the period in which any trustee had a material interest		
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3 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
The Church has no capitalised Fixed Assets, the small items of equipment purchased have been written off in the year of acquisition.		
4 DEBTORS		
Debtors falling due within one year		
Prepayments and accrued income	10740	8999
Aggregate of debtors falling due in over one year	-	-

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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5 CREDITORS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Accruals	<u>5689</u>	<u>4185</u>
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6 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

No provisions are required

7 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Trustees are not aware of any contingent liabilities

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)**

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Independent Examiner

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL FUNDS	
	£	£	2022	2021
			£	£
<u>Donations and gifts</u>				
Regular committed giving	138056		138056	118516
Gift Aid reclaimed	34253		34253	29328
Collections and One-off gifts	5746	8805	14551	23336
	<u>178055</u>	<u>8805</u>	<u>186860</u>	<u>171180</u>
<u>Investment income</u>				
Bank interest	<u>8</u>		<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>
<u>Income from church activities</u>				
Charitable trading	-		-	-
Non Charitable trading	4259		4259	168
	<u>4259</u>		<u>4259</u>	<u>168</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES	<u>182322</u>	<u>8805</u>	<u>191127</u>	<u>171360</u>

Detailed analysis of the comparative figures is given on page 9

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	FUNDS
	£	£	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
<u>Church activities</u>				
Staff salaries & expenses	113375		113375	91889
Premises hire	8595		8595	0
Childrens' work	2254		2254	488
Mission & Outreach	1136		1136	1626
Mission support	18944		18944	16724
Capital	11437		11437	584
Food & hospitality	722		722	0
Licences & insurance	7197		7197	6789
Stationery & publicity	900		900	626
Training	2204		2204	60
Bookstall	200		200	276
Miscellaneous	457		457	336
Restricted donation			-	4409
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Details of 2021 Incoming Resources and Expenditure

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Regular committed giving	118516		118516
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<u>Income from church activities</u>			
Charitable trading	0		0
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<u>Church activities</u>			
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Mission & Outreach	1626		1626
Mission support	16724		16724
Capital	584		584
Food & hospitality	0		0
Licences & insurance	6789		6789
Stationery & publicity	626		626
Training	60		60
Bookstall	276		276
Miscellaneous	336		336
Restricted donation		4409	4409
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EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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Independent Examiner's Statement

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

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- a) to keep accounting records in accordance with S 130 of the Act; and
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Independent Examiner

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL FUNDS	
	£	£	2022	2021
			£	£
<u>Donations and gifts</u>				
Regular committed giving	138056		138056	118516
Gift Aid reclaimed	34253		34253	29328
Collections and One-off gifts	5746	8805	14551	23336
	<u>178055</u>	<u>8805</u>	<u>186860</u>	<u>171180</u>
<u>Investment income</u>				
Bank interest	<u>8</u>		<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>
<u>Income from church activities</u>				
Charitable trading	-		-	-
Non Charitable trading	4259		4259	168
	<u>4259</u>		<u>4259</u>	<u>168</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES	<u>182322</u>	<u>8805</u>	<u>191127</u>	<u>171360</u>

Detailed analysis of the comparative figures is given on page 9

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RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	FUNDS
	£	£	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
<u>Church activities</u>				
Staff salaries & expenses	113375		113375	91889
Premises hire	8595		8595	0
Childrens' work	2254		2254	488
Mission & Outreach	1136		1136	1626
Mission support	18944		18944	16724
Capital	11437		11437	584
Food & hospitality	722		722	0
Licences & insurance	7197		7197	6789
Stationery & publicity	900		900	626
Training	2204		2204	60
Bookstall	200		200	276
Miscellaneous	457		457	336
Restricted donation			-	4409
	<u>167421</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>167421</u>	<u>123807</u>

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Details of 2021 Incoming Resources and Expenditure

Incoming Resources	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2021 £
<u>Donations and gifts</u>			
Regular committed giving	118516		118516
Gift Aid reclaimed	29328		29328
Collections and One-off gifts	15593	7743	23336
	<u>163437</u>	<u>7743</u>	<u>171180</u>
<u>Income from church activities</u>			
Charitable trading	0		0
Non Charitable trading	168		168
	<u>168</u>	<u></u>	<u>168</u>

Resources Expended	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2021 £
<u>Church activities</u>			
Staff salaries & expenses	91889		91889
Premises hire	0		0
Childrens' work	488		488
Mission & Outreach	1626		1626
Mission support	16724		16724
Capital	584		584
Food & hospitality	0		0
Licences & insurance	6789		6789
Stationery & publicity	626		626
Training	60		60
Bookstall	276		276
Miscellaneous	336		336
Restricted donation		4409	4409
	<u>119398</u>	<u>4409</u>	<u>123807</u>

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

England & Wales - Charity number 1157080

Accounts



Emmanuel Church (Bramcote)

Combined Trustees and Directors Report

06 April 2020 – 05 April 2021

Introduction

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) is a Registered Charity in England and Wales (1157080) and is registered as a company limited by guarantee in England and Wales (08898983). It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association. The charity also uses the name Emmanuel Church Bramcote.

Registered Charity and Company Office: 10 Crummock Close, Bramcote, Nottingham, NG9 3BG.

The Directors: Richard Adam, Edward Bowerman, Philip Carter, Brian Davies, Richard Hopkins, Brian Kruger, Alexander Slowey

The Members: Richard Adam, Edward Bowerman, Richard Hopkins, Brian Kruger, Alexander Slowey

New Members and Directors are appointed by the current Members. There were no new Members or Directors appointed during the time covered by this report.

The Directors normally meet five times per year, and the meetings are fully recorded with agendas and minutes. A sub group consisting of the Directors, but excluding those who are also paid members of staff, sets pay and remuneration, using the Teachers Pay Scale as a guide. The Directors are assisted in the day to day care and running of the Church by a body of Elders comprising the Members of the company, which meets roughly fortnightly. Induction to the role of Director and training are provided on a personal basis as appropriate.

The Directors ensure that policies and procedures are regularly updated and reviewed. Legal advice is sought when necessary. A register of Directors' interests is held to ensure that we are aware of conflicts of interest and manage them appropriately. This is updated regularly. The trustees have a clear procedure that if there is a potential conflict of interest on any matter, the trustee with the potential conflict of interest is asked to leave the room and take no part in the debate or decision. The Church had three paid employees during the period of this report, of whom two were also Directors: Richard Adam and Richard Hopkins. We are heavily dependent in all our activities on help voluntarily given by members of the congregation, including a full time member of staff employed on a voluntary basis.

The company is affiliated to three organisations: The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC), the Midlands Gospel Partnership (MGP), and the Evangelical Alliance (EA). These affiliations have no impact on the operating policies adopted by the company.

Objectives and activities

Our charitable purposes:

- to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith;
- to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support;
- to advance education.

On 23rd March 2020 a national lockdown was announced by the UK government to combat the spread of COVID-19. This meant our regular activities could not continue, and our objectives for the year had to be reconsidered.

Our key objectives for this financial year have been:

- to run weekly online church services to advance the Christian faith in Bramcote, and to develop these services to better achieve this objective.
- to develop additional online meetings and activities to advance the Christian faith in Bramcote, including activities for children and young people.
- to maintain contact with regular members of the congregation, providing support and a sense of 'togetherness'.
- to find ways to maintain communication with those outside the church living in the Bramcote area.
- to provide regular online events to which unbelievers can be invited to hear about the Christian faith.
- to raise, through prayerful reliance on God and regular reports to the congregation, sufficient funds to cover our activities for this financial year.
- to establish a 'hardship fund' to help those within the congregation who are particularly affected by the pandemic.
- to use a minimum of ten percent of our non-trading income to support partner organisations in advancing the Christian Faith in Bramcote, the UK and around the world.

The Directors have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in planning the activities of the charity during the year 20-21. This report notes identifiable benefits to the public in line with these purposes.

The national lockdown meant that we could no longer run weekly church services at Bramcote College. Instead, we moved to providing online services that could be accessed at home. Initially, these involved a selection of pre-recorded videos and music videos from Youtube. These services, like our previous services at Bramcote College, seek to advance the Christian faith through teaching, singing and prayer. As we grew more confident with the technology, we moved to creating our own music videos for services, and began providing the option for services to be held live online using Zoom. In October 2020 we began exploring the possibility of holding small physical gatherings in a hired venue. Further lockdowns and restrictions delayed these plans, but from March 2021 we were able to hold a number of small services at Beeston Free church. This paved the way for our return to Bramcote College in June 2021. Our services are open to all, and we sought find ways to promote them to the Bramcote area. We were pleased to see that numbers accessing our pre recorded videos at the start of the pandemic exceeded the total number of households in our congregation, and were thrilled that some of our live services were joined by people living in different parts of the UK, and around the world.

From the start of the national lockdown, we provided resources for use by families with children to explore the Christian faith together each Sunday. We also began providing online meetings for our children and youth groups, and in-person meetings at points of the year where government restrictions allowed.

A central part of our strategy for keeping in touch with the church congregation has been our nine 'Connect Groups'. We moved quickly to ensure all Connect Group leaders had accounts with Zoom, and all regular attenders had technology that would enable them to access Zoom, as well as our online services. We have kept regular contact with Connect group leaders to support and equip them, and they in turn have kept regular contact with their group members, thus keeping the church congregation together through this national crisis. The central aim of these groups

remained the same as when they were able to meet in person: to help advance the Christian faith and to provide counselling and support to those in the church community and beyond.

We also took advantage of the opportunities given by Zoom to hold regular online prayer meetings, Church Members' meetings, and monthly meetings for both men and women in the church. We have noticed an increase in attendance at all our groups and activities since moving them online, presumably because online meetings are easier to access. This is something we will need to consider as we come out of lockdown.

Other activities we ran have had to stop. Our two weekly groups for preschool children could not be continued in the lockdown. Our monthly visits to run services at a local Care Home also had to stop, though we were able to make contact with residents during the summer and at Christmas. Community events that we would have normally been involved with were cancelled.

But we have not stopped efforts to reach out to the community and advance the Christian faith with events aimed at the general public. We were able to run two quiz nights, each including a short talk about Christianity. We have held regular services designed to introduce guests to the Christian faith, including special services at Christmas and Easter. We have sought to publicise these through personal invitation by church members, through Facebook advertising, and through leaflet deliveries in the area. We also delivered 1200 copies of 'Life Magazine', a magazine seeking to advance the Christian faith, to local residents. During advent, 24 households in Bramcote created window displays to tell the Christmas story. Each display contained a letter. And a prize was offered to children who managed to decode the message. This was very well received by the community, with many from outside the church taking part. At Easter 2020, we organized an easter egg trail around Bramcote, which saw fifty households, half of which were from outside the church, take part. We also ran an online holiday club for four days in the week following Easter, providing songs, activities and teaching on the Easter story on our website. We have also run three online courses covering the basics of the Christian faith.

In January of 2020, the Leadership Team of the church identified the need to appoint a new Children's and Youth Coordinator on a paid, part-time basis. This was necessary to maintain our work in advancing the Christian faith amongst children and young people, and to allow another member of staff to spend more time in ministry amongst women. These plans were delayed by the pandemic, but were taken to a church members' meeting in June and approved. Applications opened in September, an appointment was made in October, and the new member of staff began their employment in January. We thank God for providing both the individual to fill this post, and the finances to fund it.

We continued to support the work of the Midlands Gospel Partnership and the Midlands Ministry Training Course which seeks to provide practical training for biblical ministry. We supported this both financially and through releasing staff members to teach on the course. This year the course has been running online.

We continued our support of a local charity, Crossteach, both financially and with staff and volunteer time. Crossteach teaches about the Christian faith in schools, through lessons, assemblies and lunchtime clubs. We are pleased that Crossteach were once again able to run interactive experiences in Bramcote College, even though Covid restrictions meant that volunteers from the church weren't able to be involved this year.

We have also provided financial support to charities and individuals working in Argentina, Germany, South Sudan, Nottingham, Oxford and Wigan seeking to advance the Christian faith. We are pleased that we have once again been able to meet our objective of giving 10% of our non-trading income to such partners. To reduce any risk of fraud, all gifts to those working overseas are made via charities based in the UK. We also support these individuals through regular contact and prayer.

Although it has been a strange and challenging year, we do thank God that he has sustained us and enabled us to do so much despite the pandemic. As ever, we are particularly thankful for new members of our congregation who have heard of us through our publicity, including some who were not Christians when they first came, and for the many who have had the opportunity to hear of the Christian faith through our events and activities.

Financial Review

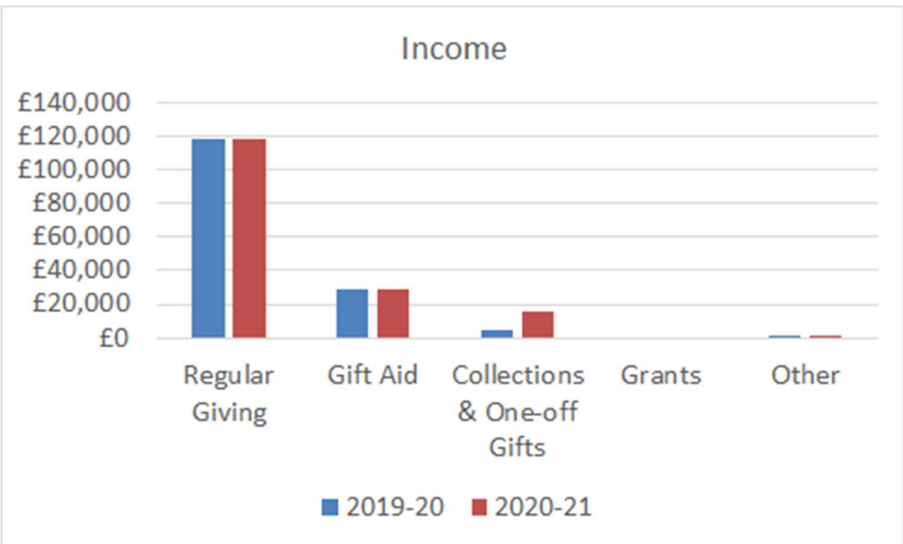
Although many charities struggled financially through the pandemic, fortunately, our income was maintained and our expenses reduced during this time, thus we had a significant surplus at the end of the financial year. We are very thankful for the continued generosity of many members the church. Some of this surplus has been used since to purchase audio-visual equipment to allow our services to be live-streamed to those unable to attend.

General Funds:

Income:

This increased by 7%. This was mainly due to a number of one-off donations from supporters. Our regular committed giving was very similar to previous years. We continue to have a high uptake of Gift Aid declarations from those donors who are tax-payers.

The total amount of donations without conditions received from Directors during the year amounted to £39,810. They were no donations received from the Directors with conditions.



Expenditure:

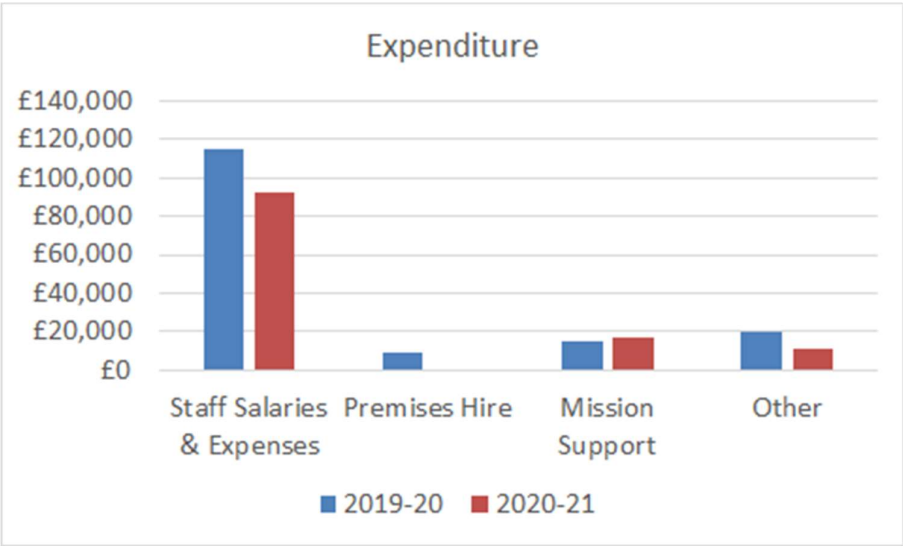
This was reduced by 26%. This was due to the delayed appointment of a third paid member of staff (see above) and not being able to hire venues for our events (Nil v nearly £10,000 in the previous year. Other expenses related to holding in person events were also reduced. Staff salaries remains our biggest expense. None of the employees earned more than £60,000 during this financial year. We spent a little more on licenses to allow online events (copywrite and Zoom).

The two ministers were both Directors of the company, and in addition to their salaries totaling

£73,463, received employer pension contributions of £8,816 and were reimbursed £1,165.43 for their expenses.

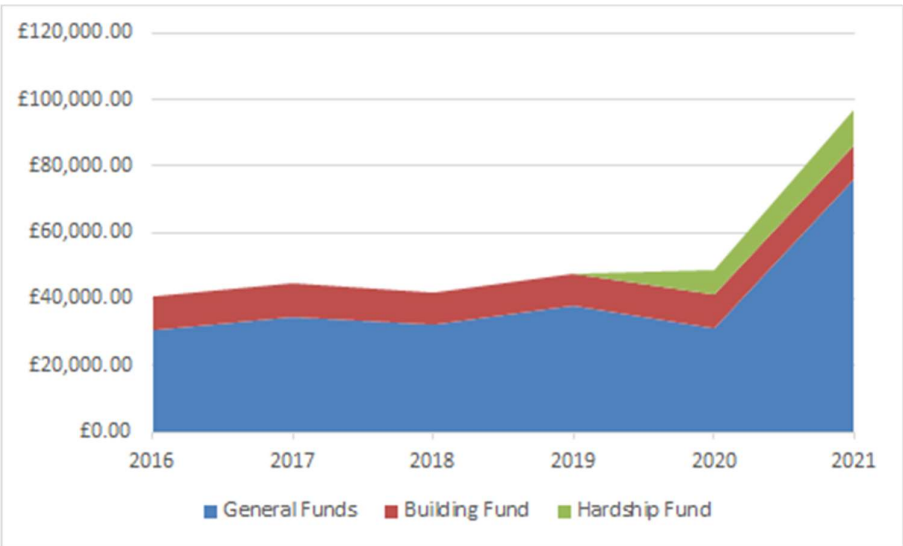
The non-staff Directors did not receive any remuneration, nor receive any expenses apart from being reimbursed for purchases they made for the charity.

We are pleased to have been able to meet our aim of giving 10% of our non-trading income to support partners in Bramcote and around the world who share our objectives.



Balance:

These led to a surplus of £44,024. This meant that our total general funds were £76,152. This equates to 5 ½ months of our normal (pre & post pandemic) expenditure. This is now just below the upper limit of our reserves policy of aiming to have between 2 – 6 months’ of running cost in the church’s bank account. The graph below illustrates our end of year funds and includes our two restricted funds.



Restricted Funds:

Our building fund was not used in this financial year. The donors to this fund are happy that it is kept by us for the future.

We opened a hardship fund at the beginning of the pandemic. In this financial year it had an income of £7,743 (including Gift Aid) and grants totaling £4,409 were made.

Signed by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alex Dowling'.

On behalf of the Trustees and Directors

Date approved: 29th November 2021

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

6 APRIL 2020 to 5 APRIL 2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Restricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
INCOMING RESOURCES (See page 7)				
Donations & gifts	163437	7743	171180	159346
Investment income	12		12	46
Income from church activities	168		168	861
TOTAL	<u>163617</u>	<u>7743</u>	<u>171360</u>	<u>160253</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED (See page 8)				
Church activities	119398	4409	123807	159373
Governance costs	195		195	195
TOTAL	<u>119593</u>	<u>4409</u>	<u>124002</u>	<u>159568</u>
TRANSFERS				
NET INCOMING RESOURCES	44024	3334	47358	685
Brought forward	31127	17375	48502	47817
Carried forward	<u>75151</u>	<u>20709</u>	<u>95860</u>	<u>48502</u>

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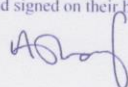
6 APRIL 2020 to 5 APRIL 2021

BALANCE SHEET

	Note	2021	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	4	8999	10369
Bank and cash balances		91046	40301
		<u>100045</u>	<u>50670</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors due within one year	5	<u>4185</u>	<u>2168</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>95860</u>	<u>48502</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		95860	48502
Creditors due after one year			
NET ASSETS		<u>95860</u>	<u>48502</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted use income fund		75151	31127
Restricted use income fund (Building fund)		10000	10000
Restricted use income fund (Hardship fund)		<u>10709</u>	<u>7375</u>
		<u>95860</u>	<u>48502</u>

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For the year ended 5 April 2021 the company was entitled to exemption under S477 Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the period in accord with S 476 Companies Act. The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the Trustees/Directors on
and signed on their behalf

 04 OCT 2021

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The accounts have been prepared on the historic cost basis, in accordance with the appropriate Accounting Standards.

DEPRECIATION

The historic policy has been to write off the cost of fixtures, fittings and equipment in the year of acquisition.

FUNDS

Restricted use income funds are to be used for projects designated by donors.

The Unrestricted use income fund allows the Church to budget for anticipated commitments and short term emergency needs.

RESERVES POLICY

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) aims to have financial reserves of between two to six times our current average monthly expenditure. The Directors/Trustees regularly review the financial health of their church at each of their managing trustees meetings.

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
1 RESULT FOR THE PERIOD IS STATED AFTER CHARGING:		
Trustee's insurance	nil	nil
Auditor's remuneration - the accounts are not subject to an audit		
2 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION		
Trustees emoluments	nil	nil
There were no transactions during the period in which any trustee had a material interest		
There were no transactions with Trustees, relatives of Trustees or any other related parties that require disclosure.		
3 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
The Church has no capitalised Fixed Assets, the small items of equipment purchased have been written off in the year of acquisition.		
4 DEBTORS		
Debtors falling due within one year		
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>8999</u>	<u>10369</u>
Aggregate of debtors falling due in over one year	-	-

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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5 CREDITORS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Accruals	<u>4185</u>	<u>2168</u>
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6 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

No provisions are required

7 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Trustees are not aware of any contingent liabilities

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)**

I report on the accounts for the Church for the year ended 5 April 2021, set out on pages 1 to 5

Respective responsibilities of Trustee and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of S.144(2) Charities Act 2011 does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified by the Charity Commissioners under S 145 of the Act whether particular matters have come to my attention.

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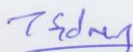
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Tom Sydney
Independent Examiner

4 October 2021

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2021 £	FUNDS 2020 £
<u>Donations and gifts</u>				
Regular committed giving	118516		118516	117954
Gift Aid reclaimed	29328		29328	29168
Collections and One-off gifts	15593	7743	23336	12224
	<u>163437</u>	<u>7743</u>	<u>171180</u>	<u>159346</u>
<u>Investment income</u>				
Bank interest	<u>12</u>	<u> </u>	<u>12</u>	<u>46</u>
<u>Income from church activities</u>				
Charitable trading	-		-	405
Non Charitable trading	168		168	456
	<u>168</u>	<u> </u>	<u>168</u>	<u>861</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES	<u>163617</u>	<u>7743</u>	<u>171360</u>	<u>160253</u>

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	FUNDS
	£	£	2021	2020
			£	£
<u>Church activities</u>				
Staff salaries & expenses	91889		91889	115080
Premises hire	-		0	9471
Childrens' work	488		488	2618
Mission & Outreach	1626		1626	2531
Mission support	16724		16724	15277
Capital	584		584	1255
Food & hospitality	-		0	1492
Licences & insurance	6789		6789	6121
Stationery & publicity	626		626	1896
Training	60		60	1227
Bookstall	276		276	1017
Miscellaneous	336		336	1388
Restricted donation		4409	4409	
	<u>119398</u>	<u>4409</u>	<u>123807</u>	<u>159373</u>

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Details of 2020 Incoming Resources and Expenditure

Incoming Resources	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2020 £
<u>Donations and gifts</u>			
Regular committed giving	117954		117954
Gift Aid reclaimed	29168		29168
Collections and One-off gifts	4849	7375	12224
	<u>151971</u>	<u>7375</u>	<u>159346</u>
<u>Income from church activities</u>			
Charitable trading	405		405
Non Charitable trading	456		456
	<u>861</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>861</u>

Resources Expended	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2019 £
<u>Church activities</u>			
Staff salaries & expenses	115080		115080
Premises hire	9471		9471
Childrens' work	2618		2618
Mission & Outreach	2531		2531
Mission support	15277		15277
Capital	1255		1255
Food & hospitality	1492		1492
Licences & insurance	6121		6121
Stationery & publicity	1896		1896
Training	1227		1227
Bookstall	1017		1017
Miscellaneous	1388		1388
	<u>159373</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>159373</u>

EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

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RESOURCES EXPENDED (See page 8)				
Church activities	119398	4409	123807	159373
Governance costs	195		195	195
TOTAL	<u>119593</u>	<u>4409</u>	<u>124002</u>	<u>159568</u>
TRANSFERS				
NET INCOMING RESOURCES	44024	3334	47358	685
Brought forward	31127	17375	48502	47817
Carried forward	<u>75151</u>	<u>20709</u>	<u>95860</u>	<u>48502</u>

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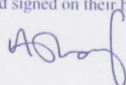
6 APRIL 2020 to 5 APRIL 2021

BALANCE SHEET

	Note	2021	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	4	8999	10369
Bank and cash balances		91046	40301
		<u>100045</u>	<u>50670</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors due within one year	5	<u>4185</u>	<u>2168</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>95860</u>	<u>48502</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		95860	48502
Creditors due after one year			
NET ASSETS		<u>95860</u>	<u>48502</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted use income fund		75151	31127
Restricted use income fund (Building fund)		10000	10000
Restricted use income fund (Hardship fund)		<u>10709</u>	<u>7375</u>
		<u>95860</u>	<u>48502</u>

The attached notes form an integral part of these statements.
For the year ended 5 April 2021 the company was entitled to exemption under S477 Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the period in accord with S 476 Companies Act. The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the Trustees/Directors on
and signed on their behalf

 04 OCT 2021

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The accounts have been prepared on the historic cost basis, in accordance with the appropriate Accounting Standards.

DEPRECIATION

The historic policy has been to write off the cost of fixtures, fittings and equipment in the year of acquisition.

FUNDS

Restricted use income funds are to be used for projects designated by donors.

The Unrestricted use income fund allows the Church to budget for anticipated commitments and short term emergency needs.

RESERVES POLICY

Emmanuel Church (Bramcote) aims to have financial reserves of between two to six times our current average monthly expenditure. The Directors/Trustees regularly review the financial health of their church at each of their managing trustees meetings.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
1 RESULT FOR THE PERIOD IS STATED AFTER CHARGING:		
Trustee's insurance	nil	nil
Auditor's remuneration - the accounts are not subject to an audit		
2 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION		
Trustees emoluments	nil	nil
There were no transactions during the period in which any trustee had a material interest		
There were no transactions with Trustees, relatives of Trustees or any other related parties that require disclosure.		
3 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
The Church has no capitalised Fixed Assets, the small items of equipment purchased have been written off in the year of acquisition.		
4 DEBTORS		
Debtors falling due within one year		
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>8999</u>	<u>10369</u>
Aggregate of debtors falling due in over one year	-	-

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5 CREDITORS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Accruals	<u>4185</u>	<u>2168</u>
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6 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

No provisions are required

7 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Trustees are not aware of any contingent liabilities

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
EMMANUEL CHURCH (BRAMCOTE)**

I report on the accounts for the Church for the year ended 5 April 2021, set out on pages 1 to 5

Respective responsibilities of Trustee and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of S.144(2) Charities Act 2011 does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified by the Charity Commissioners under S 145 of the Act whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's Statement

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 in the accounts. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence required in an audit, and I therefore do not express an audit opinion.

Independent Examiner's Statement

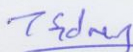
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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

- a) to keep accounting records in accordance with S 130 of the Act; and
- b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Charities 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.



Tom Sydney
Independent Examiner

4 October 2021

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INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL FUNDS	
	£	£	2021	2020
			£	£
<u>Donations and gifts</u>				
Regular committed giving	118516		118516	117954
Gift Aid reclaimed	29328		29328	29168
Collections and One-off gifts	15593	7743	23336	12224
	<u>163437</u>	<u>7743</u>	<u>171180</u>	<u>159346</u>
<u>Investment income</u>				
Bank interest	<u>12</u>	<u> </u>	<u>12</u>	<u>46</u>
<u>Income from church activities</u>				
Charitable trading	-		-	405
Non Charitable trading	168		168	456
	<u>168</u>	<u> </u>	<u>168</u>	<u>861</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES	<u>163617</u>	<u>7743</u>	<u>171360</u>	<u>160253</u>

Detailed analysis of the comparative figures is given on page 9

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RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	FUNDS
	£	£	2021	2020
			£	£
<u>Church activities</u>				
Staff salaries & expenses	91889		91889	115080
Premises hire	-		0	9471
Childrens' work	488		488	2618
Mission & Outreach	1626		1626	2531
Mission support	16724		16724	15277
Capital	584		584	1255
Food & hospitality	-		0	1492
Licences & insurance	6789		6789	6121
Stationery & publicity	626		626	1896
Training	60		60	1227
Bookstall	276		276	1017
Miscellaneous	336		336	1388
Restricted donation		4409	4409	
	<u>119398</u>	<u>4409</u>	<u>123807</u>	<u>159373</u>

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Details of 2020 Incoming Resources and Expenditure

Incoming Resources	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2020 £
<u>Donations and gifts</u>			
Regular committed giving	117954		117954
Gift Aid reclaimed	29168		29168
Collections and One-off gifts	4849	7375	12224
	<u>151971</u>	<u>7375</u>	<u>159346</u>
<u>Income from church activities</u>			
Charitable trading	405		405
Non Charitable trading	456		456
	<u>861</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>861</u>

Resources Expended	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2019 £
<u>Church activities</u>			
Staff salaries & expenses	115080		115080
Premises hire	9471		9471
Childrens' work	2618		2618
Mission & Outreach	2531		2531
Mission support	15277		15277
Capital	1255		1255
Food & hospitality	1492		1492
Licences & insurance	6121		6121
Stationery & publicity	1896		1896
Training	1227		1227
Bookstall	1017		1017
Miscellaneous	1388		1388
	<u>159373</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>159373</u>