



South Liverpool Deanery

Report for year ending 31 December 2023

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Section I – Trustees’ Report

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1.1 Introduction

This report is prepared as required by the constitution of the Liverpool South Deanery MGF CIO and in accordance with best practice guidelines provided by the Charity Commission.

Liverpool South MGF is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation no 1158339 set up in August 2014 to distribute funds for the advancement of Mission and Growth of the member churches of the Church of England Liverpool South Deanery which is part of the Church of England Liverpool Diocese.

1.1.1 Our Deanery

The Deanery of Liverpool South comprises the following seventeen Church of England churches:

All Saints, Speke; St Mark, Childwall Valley; St Stephen, Gateacre; St Barnabas, Penny Lane; All Souls, Springwood; St Michael, Garston; St Anne, Aigburth; St Mary, Grassendale; St Matthew and St James, Mossley Hill; All Hallows, Aigburth; All Saints, Childwall; St Aidan, 'the Place to Be' Speke; St Nicholas, Halewood; St Mary, Halewood; St Hilda, Hunts Cross; St Peter, Woolton.

1.2 Administrative Information

1.2.1 Correspondence Address for Trustees

Registered address:

The Flat
All Hallows Church Hall
1 Greenhill Road
Mossley Hill
LIVERPOOL
L18 6JJ
United Kingdom

Email address: LiverpoolSouthDeaneryMGF@gmail.com

1.2.2 MGF Trustee Membership

The Trustees for the period to 31 December 2023 were:

- Mr David Bishop
- Rev'd Nicola Milford
- Mrs Natalie White (Secretary)
- Rev'd Andrew Colmer
- Mr Ian Crowe
- Mrs Victoria Grey
- Mr Paul Roberts (appointed 26th October 2023)

1.2.3 Bankers

HSBC Allerton Road branch until 12.03.2023

The co-operative Bank Community Directplus Account opened 13.03.2023



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1.2.4 Day to Day Management Control

Day to day managerial control of the CIO is exercised by the Area Dean, Revd. Nicola Milford contactable on 0151 724 1561

A treasurer has been appointed by the trustees to ensure good financial controls; we give thanks to Sharon Milburn who stood down as treasurer after a number of years' service. We are pleased the Gill Dottie took over this role and handover we completed during the latter part of 2023.

1.3 Structure, Management and Governance

1.3.1 CIO Constitution

The CIO constitution is a foundation model, dated 9 July 2014 and approved on 26 August 2014 upon which date the CIO came into being.

A copy of the constitution has been provided to all trustees.

1.3.2 Related Trusts

The Liverpool South Deanery is part of the Liverpool Diocese, which along with each of the member churches are Charitable Trusts operating under the Charities Act 2011 and relevant Church of England Measures (see note above about change in member churches).

1.3.3 MGF Appointments

Appointments to the MGF trustees are made in accordance with the CIO Constitution section 10.

1.3.4 Assessment of Risks

The trust at present holds no property, nor employs staff, although both are allowed by the constitution. At present funds are only distributed from reserves through the awarding of grants to the churches, singularly or together, or to the Deanery as a whole. The extent of money made available to the trust by the diocese is calculated by the Liverpool Diocese Board of Finance according to a formula based on church attendance within the deanery across the diocese. Funds can be withheld by the diocese from the deanery if individual churches fail to pay their parish share to the diocese. This assessment is made based on the previous year's payment of parish share. Full payment of Parish Share was made for the year to 31 December 2017, and the full MGF grant was therefore paid to the MGF in 2018. However, from 2018 to 2022 Parish Share was not fully paid each year and this impacted on the funds available to distribute in 2022. Mission and growth fund were made available during the latter part of 2023.

1.4 Objectives and Activities

1.4.1 Primary Aims and Objectives

The objectives of the CIO are stated in the constitution as follows:

The advancement of the Christian faith in particular but not exclusively by promoting Christian Mission and/or Growth within the Liverpool South Deanery by the distribution of grants to or via the Church of England parishes within the deanery.



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1.4.2 Main Objectives for the year

The year to December 2023 is the ninth full year of operation of the CIO. The grant application process was frozen again for the first part of this year however, income was received to the MGFin the latter part of the year. Churches were asked towards the end of 2023 to make applications for funds, up to a maximum of £2,000. The criteria for grants were given as:

Our definition of 'Mission and Growth':

- Gospel focussed;
- Reaching the un-churched;
- Community based;
- Meeting a need not yet met;
- Encouraging people back to church.

Positive uses:

- Training;
- Supporting mission-focussed projects;
- Employment.

Negatives uses:

- Not for building alterations;
- Not for an employment post that already exists;
- Not for staff in individual churches;
- Not for money-making ventures.

These criteria were discussed and agreed with the Deanery Synod at the inception of the CIO, and have been used to assess applications received in previous years. Following consideration of the applications, offers of grants were made, and each applicant required to accept the terms of the award prior to receiving the grant. A further condition of the award of a grant is the provision of feedback.

1.5 Achievements and Performance

1.5.1 Summary of Main Achievements

During 2023 funds were received from the Diocese Totalling **£42,942.00**

The opening balance on 1 January 2023 was **£14,523.07**



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Energy Grants were awarded totalling £4500.00 distributed as follows:

Energy Grant All Saints	£500.00
Energy Grant All Hallows	£500.00
Energy Grant St Barnabas	£500.00
Energy Grant St Anne's	£500.00
Energy Grant St Mary's	£500.00
Energy Grant St Hilda's	£500.00
Energy Grant St Aiden's	£500.00
Energy Grant All Saints Speke	£500.00
Energy Grant St Marks	£500.00

Two Deanery Mission and Growth Fund grants totalling £2300.00 distributed as follows:

DMGF PCC Garston St Michael	£300.00
DMGF PCC St Aidens with All Saints	£2,000.00

Four other payments of various deanery totalling £681.59 were made during the year.

The closing balance as of 31st December 2023 was **£49,983.48**

1.5.2 Plans for 2024

As the MGF does anticipate receiving additional grant money this year it will continue with grant applications in line with the agreed criteria and up to a maximum of £2,000 subject to a review by the appointed Trustees of the funds.

1.6 Financial Review

1.6.1 The Financial Position

During the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 the MGF received £42,942.00 from the Diocese, and gave out ££6,800.00 in grants.

The cash position at the end of the period was £49,983.48

1.6.2 Statement of Explanation of Reserves Policy

In 2023 the MGF received additional funds from the Diocese to the value of £42,942.00. The current cash position is £ 49983.48, ability to provide grants is now available. The trustees have therefore agreed to holding a reserve fund of £10,000.



LIVERPOOL SOUTH DEANERY MISSION AND GROWTH FUND

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1158339

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees of Liverpool South Deanery MGF on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 set out on pages 1 and 2.

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31st December 2023.

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

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

Independent Examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Keri J H Owen

8th April 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Liverpool South Deanery MGF

No (if any)
1158339

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
1/1/2023

To

Period end date
12/31/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Liverpool Diocese	42,942	-	-	42,942	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	42,942	-	-	42,942	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	42,942	-	-	42,942	-
A3 Payments					
Grants - events and projects	6,800	-	-	6,800	3,000
MGF administration	682	-	-	682	10
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	7,482	-	-	7,482	3,010
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	7,482	-	-	7,482	3,010
Net of receipts/(payments)	35,460	-	-	35,460	3,010
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,523	-	-	14,523	17,533
Cash funds this year end	49,983	-	-	49,983	14,523

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	49,983	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	49,983	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

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