

LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1159075

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2014-11-05

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: (A) THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT INCLUDING BY THE CARRYING ON OF THE SERVICE OF GOD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS OF THE HOLY BIBLE AS FOLLOWED BY THOSE CHRISTIANS FORMING PART OF A WORLDWIDE FELLOWSHIP KNOWN AS THE "PLYMOUTH BRETHREN CHRISTIAN CHURCH" (THE "BRETHREN") WHOSE CORE DOCTRINE IS SUMMARISED IN SCHEDULE 1 TO THIS DEED AND WHOSE PROPER PRACTICES IN FURTHERANCE OF SOME ASPECTS OF THAT CORE DOCTRINE ARE SUMMARISED IN SCHEDULE 2 TO THIS DEED; AND (B) ANY OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES CONNECTED WITH BRETHREN.

Activities: The Trust provides and maintains gospel halls for the religious activities of Christians often referred to as "Brethren". Details of the origins, teachings and way of life of the Brethren can be found on their website - www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org. Meetings held at these gospel halls include the Lord's Supper (Communion), Gospel preachings, Bible readings and Bible addresses.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** HAMPSHIRE
- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£190,938	£114,808	-	-
2024-04-05	£117,190	£93,191	-	-
2023-04-05	£136,661	£101,235	-	-
2022-04-05	£126,380	£73,858	-	-
2021-04-05	£45,079	£75,151	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
LINCOLN ROY TAYLOR	Chair	2022-06-04
DARRELL BROWN		2013-08-31
DEREK STUART BARRY		2004-05-12
Reuben Diplock		2018-03-31
Rolf Diplock		2024-06-01

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Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust
For the year ended 5 April 2025

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Legal and Administrative Information

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2025

Charity Name:

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust

Registered Charity Number:

1159075

Trustees:

Lincoln Taylor (Chair)

Reuben Diplock

Darrell Brown

Robert Barry - resigned 1st June 2024

Derek Barry

Rolf Diplock - Appointed 1st June 2024

Treasurer:

Reuben Diplock

Principle Address:

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Independent Examiner:

Lloyd Tunley
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Elliot Court
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Accountant:

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Report of the Trustees

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2025

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 11 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 21st March 1983, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 12th August 2014. The trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 5th November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159075

Recruitment and appointment of new Trustees

The Trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 3. None of the Trustees, nor any person connected with them, received any remuneration or expenses from the Charity in the year ended 5 April 2025.

The Trust operates one Gospel hall and Trustees are chosen from among the regular congregation of the hall. New Trustees are nominated by the existing Trustees or by the congregation and must be appointed by unanimous resolution of the congregation. They are selected according to their skills and experience and are expected to use both in furthering the objects of the Charity. Checks are made to ensure the Trustees' eligibility to act and incoming Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities by the existing Trustees, who ensure that new Trustees read the Trust Deed and relevant Charity Commission guidance.

Wider Network

The Trustees maintain informal links with Trustees of similar Charities with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Trust. The Trust also maintains particular links with East Hill Gospel Hall Trust & Chichester Gospel Hall Trust with which it shares members of its congregation.

Risk Management

The Trustees have identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and confirm that they have established systems to manage and mitigate those risks.

Objectives and Activities

Objectives and Aims

The charitable purposes of the Charity are the advancement of the Christian religion for the public benefit, including by the carrying on of the service of God in accordance with the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Bible as followed by those Christians forming part of the world-wide fellowship known as the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church (the "Brethren") and any other charitable purposes connected with Brethren. The core doctrine of the Brethren and proper practices in furtherance of certain aspects of doctrine are summarised in two schedules to the Trust Deed.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance to charities on public benefit.

Details of public benefit activities carried out by Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust can be found in the separate appendix to this report.

Main activities and achievements

The Trust provides and maintains one Gospel halls where religious meetings are held by the local Brethren community. Details of the origins, teachings and way of life of the Brethren can be found on the website - www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org and in the schedules to the Trust Deed.

The trusts main achievement for the year was to perform significant maintenance on the hall it owns. Further details of the trusts activities can be found in the public benefit report in the appendix to these accounts

Plans for future periods

Despite the increased cost of energy, the trustees feel that these increased costs are not significantly impacting on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern

The trust is seeking to acquire a further property to ensure the needs of the congregation can be met. At the end of the year, the trust had submitted an offer on a new property, and was awaiting a response on this offer.

Meetings

Meetings held at the Gospel halls include the Lord's Supper (Communion), Gospel preachings, Bible readings and Bible addresses. There is a structured weekly schedule of meetings and, depending on the particular meeting, between 20 and 600 people normally attend these occasions.

The meetings are attended by the regular congregation and most are open to other properly disposed visitors. The notice board outside the Hall welcomes visitors and displays the times of Gospel preachings, along with a telephone number for those seeking further information or help. Gospel tracts, which are distributed by street preachers, also display this information.

Bibles and an extensive range of other Christian reading material are on display at the halls and visitors are free to help themselves.

Spreading the Gospel message and the life of a Christian

The Gospel halls are a base from which the regular congregation and others who attend the meetings are encouraged to spread the Christian Gospel, in word and deed.

Members of the congregation participate in a programme of street preaching where Gospel tracts are provided free of charge by the Charity to such preachers to be handed out to interested members of the public.

In addition to street preaching, members of the congregation also undertook further public outreach activities which are detailed in a separate appendix to this report

In carrying out this work, the congregation considers itself to be living out its faith in practice, as particularly exemplified in the following extract from the schedule to the Trust Deed on living a Christian life:

- We seek and are encouraged to live exemplary lives in all our relationships with others in the wider community (including former Brethren), in accordance with the teachings of Holy Scripture (1 Tim 2:2).
- We regularly go out from our homes to preach on the streets, to distribute Christian literature and engage with the wider community (including former Brethren) in order to present eternal salvation, available to all men by faith in Jesus Christ. (2 Tim 4:2).
- We seek as members of the public to lead Christian lives as husbands and wives, parents, children, employers, employees and neighbours. (Col 3:22-25, Col 4:1).
- The preservation and protection of the family unit is fundamental and children are prized as a blessing from God. (Psalm 127:3-5). The elderly are valued members of the community, for whom both their family and the wider community are expected to care.
- Holy Scripture commands us to be good neighbours to others, and deal with all other people (including former Brethren) openly, honestly and fairly and consistent with these principles, we should give our time, talents and money to assist those in need in the wider community, in so far as reasonable given our abilities and our available resources. (Matt 7:12, Matt 22:39, Eph 4:28).

Funding

Funding is sought through gifts from the congregation and Gift Aid is claimed on eligible donations. Funding is sometimes received from other charitable trusts with complementary objectives.

Financial Review

In the year ended 5 April 2025 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended.

Total voluntary income received this year was £190,604 compared to £116,933 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs, based on its size and the level of its financial commitments. The trust is currently seeking to acquire another property to meet the needs of the congregation, and is therefore holding an elevated level of reserves, however on an ongoing basis, the trustees have decided to adopt a policy of maintaining no significant reserves. The congregation is kept regularly informed as to particular needs for funds, and other relevant matters and the Trustees aim to ensure that the Charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure, by raising a funds appeal to the congregation.

Free Reserves at the year end were £127,504 (2024: £44,191)

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. All transactions have been reviewed and approved by two trustees.

On Behalf of the board:

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Reuben Diplock (Trustee)

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Date

Report of the Independent Examiner

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust for the year ended 5 April 2025.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Lloyd Tunley
Oldfield Advisory LLP
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26 September 2025

Statement of Financial Activities

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2025

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2025	TOTAL FUNDS 2024
Income and endowments:					
Donations and Legacies:					
Contributions from the Congregation	104,551	-	-	104,551	91,326
Gift Aid Donations	34,458	-	-	34,458	20,486
Income Tax refunds	8,615	-	-	8,615	5,122
Grants Received (note 5)	42,980	-	-	42,980	-
Investments					
Interest Received	334	-	-	334	257
Total Income and endowments:	190,938	-	-	190,938	117,190
Expenditure:					
Running Meeting Rooms (note 9)	70,459	-	-	70,459	59,955
Cost of donated services (note 4)	44,349	-	-	44,349	33,236
Total Expenditure:	114,808	-	-	114,808	93,191
Net Income/(Expenditure)	76,130	-	-	76,130	23,999
Net Movement In Funds	76,130	-	-	76,130	23,999
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2025	TOTAL FUNDS 2024
Reconciliation of funds (note 11)					
Total Funds brought forward	1,389,250	-	-	1,389,250	1,365,252
Net movement in funds	76,130	-	-	76,130	23,999
Total Funds carried forward	1,465,380	-	-	1,465,380	1,389,250

The notes on page 11 - 18 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust As at 5 April 2025

	2025	2024
Fixed Assets		
Tangible assets (note 6)	1,337,876	1,345,059
Total Fixed Assets	1,337,876	1,345,059
Current assets		
Prepayments and accrued income	8,321	3,926
Cash at bank and in hand	120,767	41,775
Total Current assets	129,088	45,701
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals and deferred income	1,584	1,510
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1,584	1,510
Net current assets/(liabilities)	127,504	44,191
Total assets less current liabilities	1,465,380	1,389,250
Net Assets	1,465,380	1,389,250
Funds (note 10)		
Unrestricted funds	1,465,380	1,389,250
Total Funds	1,465,380	1,389,250

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust onand were signed on its behalf by:

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Reuben Diplock (Trustee)

The notes on pages 11 - 18 form part of these financial statements.

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, and incorporating update bulletins 1 and 2, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

The Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2 Income

Donations are recognised in the year in which there is entitlement and probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future year. Gift aid is added to the value of the donation to which it relates.

Donated services are recognised as income and expenditure in the financial statements when organisations or individuals offer their services and support pro bono. The value of these donated services to Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust is considered to be equal to market value which would be paid were the service formally procured. This includes services paid for by other trusts.

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Charitable activities comprise those costs directly attributable to the fulfilment of the charitable objects.

1.4 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related to statutory requirements. Governance and support costs are allocated to charitable activities on the basis of capacity used.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £100) are stated at cost less depreciation. Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold buildings	2% straight line
Property improvements	2% straight line
Fixtures and Fittings	10% reducing balance

1.6 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is not liable to United Kingdom income or corporation tax on charitable activities, provided income falls within the charitable exemptions and is spent on charitable purposes.

1.7 Funds

The general unrestricted fund is free for the Trustees to use for any purposes in furtherance of the trust's charitable objects.

Restricted funds arise from donations to the trust, which are made for a specific purpose. Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose for which funds were given.

1.8 Preparation of consolidated financial statements

The Charity does not have a trading subsidiary.

1.9 Going Concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity and no Trustees were reimbursed for expenses (2024: none)

3. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2024: none)

4. Donated Services

	2025	2024
Donated Services		
Donated To:		
Donated Services to Chichester Gospel Hall Trust	44,349	33,236
Total Donated Services:	44,349	33,236

5. Grants

2025

2024

Grants:

Grants Received from:

Grants Received from Harrow Gospel Hall Trust	42,930	-
Grant Received from East Hill Gospel Hill Trust	50	-
Total Grants Received:	42,980	-

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost	Freehold Property and Refurbishment	Computer Equipment	Totals
At 6 April 2024	1,550,282	20,961	1,571,243
Additions	23,367	-	23,367
Disposals	-	-	-
At 5 April 2025	1,573,649	20,961	1,594,610
Depreciation			
At 6 April 2024	222,853	3,332	226,186
Current Year Depreciation	28,788	1,763	30,550
Eliminated on disposals	-	-	-
At 5 April 2025	251,641	5,095	256,736
Net Book Value			
At 5 April 2025	1,322,009	15,866	1,337,874
At 5 April 2024	1,327,429	17,629	1,345,058

Land registry titles of the above property held are Land registry titles of the above property held are HP820376, HP669689 and HP762106.

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

During the financial year, aggregated donations of £19,625 (2024: £5,400) were received. This included £9,850 from businesses in which the trustees were directors. Reimbursements totalling £450 were made to trustees who had paid for trust expenses on the trusts behalf

8. VOLUNTEERS

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

Resources Expended

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2025

9. Resources Expended

	MEETING ROOMS	OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL COSTS 2025	TOTAL COSTS 2024
Direct Costs				
Premises costs - repairs and maintenance	12,143	-	12,143	5,236
Premises costs - heat, light and power	10,584	-	10,584	11,335
Telephone	351	-	351	88
Health and Safety	1,984	-	1,984	1,319
Legal and professional	5,328	-	5,328	5,097
Public outreach expenses	-	1,406	1,406	576
Special meeting costs	-	-	-	1,224
Depreciation	30,550	-	30,550	30,132
Insurance	3,619	-	3,619	675
Subscriptions	1,388	-	1,388	1,623
Governance	3,105	-	3,105	2,649
Total Direct Costs	69,053	1,406	70,459	59,955

Governance costs include £180 (prior year: £180) in respect of independent examiners fees.

Analysis of Net Assets - Current year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust
For the year ended 5 April 2025

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

10.1 Current Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2025
Funds				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,337,876	-	-	1,337,876
Current Assets	129,088	-	-	129,088
Current Liabilities	(1,584)	-	-	(1,584)
Total Funds	1,465,380	-	-	1,465,380

Analysis of Net Assets - Prior Year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2025

10.2 Prior Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2024
Funds				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,345,059	-	-	1,345,059
Current Assets	45,701	-	-	45,701
Current Liabilities	(1,510)	-	-	(1,510)
Total Funds	1,389,250	-	-	1,389,250

Movement in Funds - Current Year

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11. Movement in Funds

11.1 Movement in funds - current year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2025
Movement in Funds				
Total funds brought forward	1,389,250	-	-	1,389,250
Incoming resources	190,938	-	-	190,938
Resources expended	(114,808)	-	-	(114,808)
Total funds carried forward	1,465,380	-	-	1,465,380

Movement in Funds - Prior Year

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11. Movement in Funds

11.2 Movement in funds - Prior year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2024 DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2024
Movement in Funds				
Total funds brought forward	1,365,252	-	-	1,365,252
Incoming resources	117,190	-	-	117,190
Resources expended	(93,191)	-	-	(93,191)
Total funds carried forward	1,389,250	-	-	1,389,250

Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust
For the year ended 5 April 2025

TOTAL FUNDS 2024

Income and endowments:

Donations and Legacies:

Contributions from the Congregation	91,326
Gift Aid Donations	20,486
Income Tax refunds	5,122

Investments

Interest Received	257
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Total Income and endowments: 117,190

Expenditure:

Running Meeting Rooms (note 9)	59,955
Cost of donated services (note 4)	33,236

Total Expenditure: 93,191

Net Income/(Expenditure) 23,999

Net Movement In Funds 23,999

TOTAL FUNDS 2024

Reconciliation of funds (note 11)

Total Funds bought forward	1,365,252
Net movement in funds	23,999
Total Funds carried forward	1,389,250

Public Benefit Report

One of the Trust's principal activities that furthers its objects is providing a facility for the coordination of "outreach" work into the wider community .

Members of the congregation, acting under the directions of the trustees and with their full active encouragement, have continued with "outreach" work which they have carried out for many years.

2024-2025 Summary.

The trustees of the Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance to charities on public benefit.

Street Preaching and Tract Distribution

From May 2024 to April 2025 we carried out 334 street preachings and distributed a total of 4692 no of tracts.

Tracts and gospel cards are also still available for collection from the main Gospel Hall.

Working with other charities

Members of the Andover RRT team have also carried out the following activities in our local community:

Donations:

Charity	Date	Donated Goods
Stop Domestic Abuse	09/17/24	48 Food boxes and 48 care kits to various sites - addresses confidential
Andover Crisis Centre	09/17/24	2 care kits and 3 baby care kits
Enham Trust	09/17/24	2 crates of smartt cookies, 3 baby care kits and 13 frontline snack packs
Stop Domestic Abuse	09/17/24	4 baby care kits
Unity	03/17/25	980 food boxes, donations are ongoing to a expected total of 1500, this is supported by HCC
Unity	06/09/25	22 care kits following the fire following the flat fire
Unity	06/17/25	12 baby care kits following the fire at the flats

Events in support of emergency services:

- 14th March 2025 - rose Cottage Quarley, Served around 80 hot meals for the emergency services
- 12th April 2025 - Wherwell House Fire, served circa 70 hot meals for the emergency services and displaced residents.
- 1st June 2025 - a flat fire at Dairy Court. There were 24 fire trucks on site through the event, and we served 150+ meals to the fire crew, police and ambulance service. We arrived on site at about 8pm and were on site for roughly 4 hours.

Support of Food Banks

The trust purchased food with a value of £1,405.94, which was donated to local foodbanks in the area.

Public Benefit Examples Carried Out By Members of Andover PBCC.

Members of the congregation:

On Saturday 29th June, members of the congregation volunteered to install a small picket fence at Longstock Park Nursery in the new 'Garden For Mind'. This garden is a collaboration between Andover Mind and John Lewis Partnership and will serve as a community garden which people can enjoy and garden in to help with the mental wellbeing. It took us around 4.5hrs.

All the materials were donated by a local business.

Below is a message from Libby Hilling who came up with the concept of and ran the Garden For Mind project:

"Braden, lovely to see you all this morning. The gate and fence look fabulous. Great job, thank you to yourself, Trent, and Leo. Your continued support and wonderful enthusiasm are very much appreciated. Look out for my post as I will do one either later today or tomorrow. Thank you again. If you have some people from your church who are interested in volunteering, then afternoons are good for me or next weekend so we can prep for the Grand Opening on 11th July. Enjoy the rest of your weekend. Many thanks Libby"



Members of the congregation cleared weeds around traffic island in their road.



Members of the congregation:

On 7th December mid afternoon, a tree blew down and completely blocked Short lane, Penton, members of the congregation spent the afternoon with another local resident clearing the tree, completed the clearing on Sunday 8th December. About 6 hours work in total



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Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2024

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Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust

Registered Charity Number:

1159075

Trustees:

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Reuben Diplock

Darrell Brown

Robert Barry - resigned 1st June 2024

Derek Barry

Rolf Diplock - appointed 1st June 2024

Treasurer:

Reuben Diplock

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The trust will also be supporting them in a 'StopDomesticAbuse' programme to support the Hampshire County Council in the new financial year, with an estimated 1500 food boxes to be delivered in the next 12 months to Domestic Abuse Centres.

During the financial year members of the congregation also cleaned and restored three benches in local parks that the trust had donated a few years ago.

Plans for future periods

Despite the increased cost of energy, the trustees feel that these increased costs are not significantly impacting on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

The Charity has committed to grant approximately £15,000 to the Chichester Gospel Hall Trust in the new financial year for essential upgrades and maintenance that the trust needs to spend on the rooms it operates. The Charity is also expecting to spend around £30,000 in the new financial year to install and fit a new electric gate on the gospel hall that it operates.

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The Gospel halls are a base from which the regular congregation and others who attend the meetings are encouraged to spread the Christian Gospel, in word and deed.

Members of the congregation participate in a programme of street preaching and Gospel tracts are provided free of charge by the Charity to such preachers to be handed out to interested members of the public.

In carrying out this work, the congregation considers itself to be living out its faith in practice, as particularly exemplified in the following extract from the schedule to the Trust Deed on living a Christian life:

- We seek and are encouraged to live exemplary lives in all our relationships with others in the wider community (including former Brethren), in accordance with the teachings of Holy Scripture (1 Tim 2:2).
- We regularly go out from our homes to preach on the streets, to distribute Christian literature and engage with the wider community (including former Brethren) in order to present eternal salvation, available to all men by faith in Jesus Christ. (2 Tim 4:2).
- We seek as members of the public to lead Christian lives as husbands and wives, parents, children, employers, employees and neighbours. (Col 3:22-25, Col 4:1).
- The preservation and protection of the family unit is fundamental and children are prized as a blessing from God. (Psalm 127:3-5). The elderly are valued members of the community, for whom both their family and the wider community are expected to care.
- Holy Scripture commands us to be good neighbours to others, and deal with all other people (including former Brethren) openly, honestly and fairly and consistent with these principles, we should give our time, talents and money to assist those in need in the wider community, in so far as reasonable given our abilities and our available resources. (Matt 7:12, Matt 22:39, Eph 4:28).

Funding

Funding is sought through gifts from the congregation and Gift Aid is claimed on eligible donations. Funding is sometimes received from other charitable trusts with complementary objectives.

Financial Review

In the year ended 5 April 2024 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended.

Total voluntary income received this year was £116,933 compared to £136,657 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs, based on its size and the level of its financial commitments. The Trust has no employees and its regular outgoings are minimal. Accordingly, the Trustees have decided to adopt a policy of maintaining no significant reserves. The congregation is kept regularly informed as to particular needs for funds, and other relevant matters and the Trustees aim to ensure that the Charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure, by raising a funds appeal to the congregation. The trust has had a slight build up in free reserves during the current financial year due to committing to grant approximately £15,000 to the Chichester Gospel Hall Trust in the new financial year for essential upgrades & maintenance on the rooms that it holds. The trust is also expecting to spend approximately £30,000 on fitting a new electric gate at the gospel hall that it operates.

Free Reserves at the year end were £44,191 (2023: £8,648)

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. All transactions have been reviewed and approved by two trustees.

On Behalf of the board:

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Reuben Diplock (Trustee)

.....

Date

Report of the Independent Examiner

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust for the year ended 5 April 2024.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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4 September 2024

Statement of Financial Activities

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2024

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2024	TOTAL FUNDS 2023
Income and endowments:					
Donations and Legacies:					
Contributions from the Congregation	91,326	-	-	91,326	81,192
Gift Aid Donations	20,486	-	-	20,486	5,033
Income Tax refunds	5,122	-	-	5,122	433
Grants Received (note 5)	-	-	-	-	50,000
Investments					
Interest Received	257	-	-	257	4
Total Income and endowments:	117,190	-	-	117,190	136,661
Expenditure:					
Running Meeting Rooms (note 9)	59,955	-	-	59,955	73,115
Cost of donated services (note 4)	33,236	-	-	33,236	28,120
Total Expenditure:	93,191	-	-	93,191	101,235
Net Income/(Expenditure)	23,999	-	-	23,999	35,426
Net Movement In Funds	23,999	-	-	23,999	35,426
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2024	TOTAL FUNDS 2023
Reconciliation of funds (note 11)					
Total Funds brought forward	1,365,252	-	-	1,365,252	1,329,825
Net movement in funds	23,999	-	-	23,999	35,426
Total Funds carried forward	1,389,250	-	-	1,389,250	1,365,252

The notes on page 11 - 18 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust As at 5 April 2024

	2024	2023
Fixed Assets		
Tangible assets (note 6)	1,345,059	1,356,604
Total Fixed Assets	1,345,059	1,356,604
Current assets		
Prepayments and accrued income	3,926	2,604
Cash at bank and in hand	41,775	7,089
Total Current assets	45,701	9,693
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals and deferred income	1,510	1,045
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1,510	1,045
Net current assets/(liabilities)	44,191	8,648
Total assets less current liabilities	1,389,250	1,365,252
Net Assets	1,389,250	1,365,252
Funds (note 10)		
Unrestricted funds	1,389,250	1,365,252
Total Funds	1,389,250	1,365,252

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust onand were signed on its behalf by:

.....
Reuben Diplock (Trustee)

The notes on pages 11 - 18 form part of these financial statements.

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, and incorporating update bulletins 1 and 2, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

The Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2 Income

Donations are recognised in the year in which there is entitlement and probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future year. Gift aid is added to the value of the donation to which it relates.

Donated services are recognised as income and expenditure in the financial statements when organisations or individuals offer their services and support pro bono. The value of these donated services to Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust is considered to be equal to market value which would be paid were the service formally procured. This includes services paid for by other trusts.

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Charitable activities comprise those costs directly attributable to the fulfilment of the charitable objects.

1.4 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related to statutory requirements. Governance and support costs are allocated to charitable activities on the basis of capacity used.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £100) are stated at cost less depreciation. Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold property and refurbishments	2% straight line
Computer Equipment	10% reducing balance

1.6 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is not liable to United Kingdom income or corporation tax on charitable activities, provided income falls within the charitable exemptions and is spent on charitable purposes.

1.7 Funds

The general unrestricted fund is free for the Trustees to use for any purposes in furtherance of the trust's charitable objects.

Restricted funds arise from donations to the trust, which are made for a specific purpose. Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose for which funds were given.

1.8 Preparation of consolidated financial statements

The Charity does not have a trading subsidiary.

1.9 Going Concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity and no Trustees were reimbursed for expenses (2023: none)

3. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2023: none)

4. Donated Services

	2024	2023
Donated Services		
Donated To:		
Donated Services to Chichester Gospel Hall Trust	33,236	28,120
Total Donated Services:	33,236	28,120

5. Grants

	2024	2023
Grants		
Grants from CGHT	-	50,000
Total Grants	-	50,000

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost	Freehold Property and Refurbishment	Computer Equipment	Totals
At 6 April 2023	1,532,051	20,605	1,552,656
Additions	18,231	356	18,587
Disposals	-	-	-
At 5 April 2024	1,550,282	20,961	1,571,243
Depreciation			
At 6 April 2023	194,652	1,402	196,054
Current Year Depreciation	28,201	1,931	30,132
Eliminated on disposals	-	-	-
At 5 April 2024	222,853	3,332	226,186
Net Book Value			
At 5 April 2024	1,327,429	17,629	1,345,058
At 5 April 2023	1,337,399	19,203	1,356,602

Land registry titles of the above property held are Land registry titles of the above property held are HP820376, HP669689 and HP762106.

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

During the financial year, aggregated donations of £5,400 (2023: £3,434) were received. Reimbursements totalling £547 were made to trustees who had paid for trust expenses on the trusts behalf.

8. VOLUNTEERS

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

Resources Expended

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2024

9. Resources Expended

	MEETING ROOMS	OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL COSTS 2024	TOTAL COSTS 2023
Direct Costs				
Premises costs - repairs and maintenance	5,236	-	5,236	5,936
Premises costs - heat, light and power	11,335	-	11,335	11,133
Telephone	88	-	88	42
Health and Safety	1,319	-	1,319	720
Legal and professional	5,097	-	5,097	17,100
Public outreach expenses	-	576	576	950
Special meeting costs	1,224	-	1,224	948
Depreciation	30,132	-	30,132	31,793
Insurance	675	-	675	1,901
Subscriptions	1,623	-	1,623	815
Governance	2,649	-	2,649	1,776
Total Direct Costs	59,379	576	59,955	73,115

Governance costs include £180 (prior year: £180) in respect of independent examiners fees.

Analysis of Net Assets - Current year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2024

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

10.1 Current Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2024
Funds				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,345,059	-	-	1,345,059
Current Assets	45,701	-	-	45,701
Current Liabilities	(1,510)	-	-	(1,510)
Total Funds	1,389,250	-	-	1,389,250

Analysis of Net Assets - Prior Year

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10.2 Prior Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2023
Funds				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,356,604	-	-	1,356,604
Current Assets	9,693	-	-	9,693
Current Liabilities	(1,045)	-	-	(1,045)
Total Funds	1,365,252	-	-	1,365,252

Movement in Funds - Current Year

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11. Movement in Funds

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Resources expended	(93,191)	-	-	(93,191)
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Movement in Funds - Prior Year

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Incoming resources	136,661	-	-	136,661
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Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

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Donations and Legacies:				
Contributions from the Congregation	81,192	-	-	81,192
Gift Aid Donations	5,033	-	-	5,033
Income Tax refunds	433	-	-	433
Grants Received (note 5)	50,000	-	-	50,000
Investments				
Interest Received	4	-	-	4
Total Income and endowments:	136,661	-	-	136,661
Expenditure:				
Running Meeting Rooms (note 9)	73,115	-	-	73,115
Cost of donated services (note 4)	28,120	-	-	28,120
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LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

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Accounts

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May 2022 - Volunteers from the Lansdowne GHT congregation supported the RRT at a fire at a 3-story apartment complex in Basingstoke. Over 100 fire crew and 16 fire units from across the county were in attendance and 120 burger meals were served.

March 2023 - Volunteers from the Lansdowne GHT congregation supported the RRT with a Rapid Response call to a major fire at Dormy House on Walworth Industrial Estate. There were over 16 fire units in attendance and around 150-160 burger meals were served to over 100 fire personnel.

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In the year ended 5 April 2023 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended.

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A balance of £50,000 outstanding on a loan was reclassified as a gift during the financial year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

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The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs, based on its size and the level of its financial commitments. The Trust has no employees and its regular outgoings are minimal. Accordingly, the Trustees have decided to adopt a policy of maintaining no significant reserves. The congregation is kept regularly informed as to particular needs for funds, and other relevant matters and the Trustees aim to ensure that the Charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure, by raising a funds appeal to the congregation.

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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On Behalf of the board:

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Reuben Diplock (Trustee)

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Date

Report of the Independent Examiner

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust for the year ended 5 April 2023.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Lloyd Tunley
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12 September 2023

Statement of Financial Activities

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
Income and endowments:					
Donations and Legacies:					
Contributions from the Congregation	81,192	-	-	81,192	115,051
Gift Aid Donations	5,033	-	-	5,033	600
Income Tax refunds	433	-	-	433	150
Grants Received (note 5)	50,000	-	-	50,000	-
Congregation Support	-	-	-	-	10,575
Investments					
Interest Received	4	-	-	4	4
Total Income and endowments:	136,661	-	-	136,661	126,380
Expenditure:					
Running Meeting Rooms (note 9)	73,115	-	-	73,115	49,045
Congregation Support (note 9)	-	-	-	-	8,900
Cost of donated services (note 4)	28,120	-	-	28,120	15,913
Total Expenditure:	101,235	-	-	101,235	73,858
Net Income/(Expenditure)	35,426	-	-	35,426	52,522
Net Movement In Funds	35,426	-	-	35,426	52,522
Reconciliation of funds (note 11)					
Total Funds brought forward	1,329,825	-	-	1,329,825	1,277,303
Net movement in funds	35,426	-	-	35,426	52,522
Total Funds carried forward	1,365,252	-	-	1,365,252	1,329,825

The notes on page 11 - 18 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust As at 5 April 2023

	2023	2022
Fixed Assets		
Tangible assets (note 6)	1,356,604	1,373,856
Total Fixed Assets	1,356,604	1,373,856
Current assets		
Prepayments and accrued income	2,604	2,054
Cash at bank and in hand	7,089	4,671
Total Current assets	9,693	6,726
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Loans	-	50,000
Accruals and deferred income	1,045	756
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1,045	50,756
Net current assets/(liabilities)	8,648	(44,030)
Total assets less current liabilities	1,365,252	1,329,825
Net Assets	1,365,252	1,329,825
Funds (note 10)		
Unrestricted funds	1,365,252	1,329,825
Total Funds	1,365,252	1,329,825

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust onand were signed on its behalf by:

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Reuben Diplock (Trustee)

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Notes forming part of the Financial Statements

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, and incorporating update bulletins 1 and 2, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

The Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2 Income

Donations are recognised in the year in which there is entitlement and probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future year. Gift aid is added to the value of the donation to which it relates.

Donated services are recognised as income and expenditure in the financial statements when organisations or individuals offer their services and support pro bono. The value of these donated services to Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust is considered to be equal to market value which would be paid were the service formally procured. This includes services paid for by other trusts.

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Charitable activities comprise those costs directly attributable to the fulfilment of the charitable objects.

1.4 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related to statutory requirements. Governance and support costs are allocated to charitable activities on the basis of capacity used.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £100) are stated at cost less depreciation. Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold property and refurbishments	2% straight line
Computer Equipment	10% reducing balance

1.6 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is not liable to United Kingdom income or corporation tax on charitable activities, provided income falls within the charitable exemptions and is spent on charitable purposes.

1.7 Funds

The general unrestricted fund is free for the Trustees to use for any purposes in furtherance of the trust's charitable objects.

Restricted funds arise from donations to the trust, which are made for a specific purpose. Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose for which funds were given.

1.8 Preparation of consolidated financial statements

The Charity does not have a trading subsidiary.

1.9 Going Concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity and no Trustees were reimbursed for expenses (2022: none)

3. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2022: none)

4. Donated Services

	2023	2022
Donated Services		
Donated To:		
Donated Services to Chichester Gospel Hall Trust	28,120	11,407
Donated Services to Easthill Trust	-	4,506
Total Donated Services:	28,120	15,913

5. Grants

	2023	2022
Grants		
Grants from CGHT	50,000	-
Total Grants	50,000	-

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost	Freehold Property and Refurbishment	Computer Equipment	Totals
At 6 April 2022	1,531,785	6,330	1,538,115
Additions	266	14,275	14,541
Disposals			
At 5 April 2023	1,532,051	20,605	1,552,656
Depreciation			
At 6 April 2022	164,015	245	164,259
Current Year Depreciation	30,637	1,157	31,794
Eliminated on disposals			
At 5 April 2023	194,652	1,402	196,054
Net Book Value			
At 5 April 2023	1,337,399	19,203	1,356,604
At 5 April 2022	1,367,770	6,086	1,373,856

Land registry titles of the above property held are Land registry titles of the above property held are HP820376, HP669689 and HP762106.

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

During the financial year, aggregated donations of £3,434 (2022: £nil) were received.

8. VOLUNTEERS

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

Resources Expended

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

9. Resources Expended

	MEETING ROOMS	OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL COSTS 2023	TOTAL COSTS 2022
Direct Costs				
Premises costs - repairs and maintenance	5,936	-	5,936	3,595
Premises costs - heat, light and power	11,133	-	11,133	3,249
Telephone	42	-	42	-
Health and Safety	720	-	720	360
Legal and professional	17,100	-	17,100	6,662
Congregation Support	-	-	-	8,900
Public outreach expenses	-	950	950	858
Special meeting costs	948	-	948	-
Depreciation	31,793	-	31,793	30,032
Insurance	1,901	-	1,901	1,576
Subscriptions	815	-	815	1,542
Governance	1,776	-	1,776	1,170
Total Direct Costs	72,165	950	73,115	57,945

Governance costs include £180 (prior year: £180) in respect of independent examiners fees.

Analysis of Net Assets - Current year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

10.1 Current Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2023
Funds				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,356,604	-	-	1,356,604
Current Assets	9,693	-	-	9,693
Current Liabilities	(1,045)	-	-	(1,045)
Total Funds	1,365,252	-	-	1,365,252

Analysis of Net Assets - Prior Year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

10.2 Prior Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
Funds				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,373,856	-	-	1,373,856
Current Assets	6,726	-	-	6,726
Current Liabilities	(50,756)	-	-	(50,756)
Total Funds	1,329,825	-	-	1,329,825

Movement in Funds - Current Year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

11. Movement in Funds

11.1 Movement in funds - current year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2023
Movement in Funds				
Total funds brought forward	1,329,825	-	-	1,329,825
Incoming resources	136,661	-	-	136,661
Resources expended	(101,235)	-	-	(101,235)
Total funds carried forward	1,365,252	-	-	1,365,252

Movement in Funds - Prior Year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

11. Movement in Funds

11.2 Movement in funds - Prior year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
Movement in Funds				
Total funds brought forward	1,329,825	(1,675)	-	1,277,303
Incoming resources	136,661	10,575	-	126,380
Resources expended	(101,235)	(8,900)	-	(73,858)
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Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2023

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
Income and endowments:				
Donations and Legacies:				
Contributions from the Congregation	115,051	-	-	115,051
Gift Aid Donations	600	-	-	600
Income Tax refunds	150	-	-	150
Congregation Support	-	10,575	-	10,575
Investments				
Interest Received	4	-	-	4
Total Income and endowments:	115,805	10,575	-	126,380
Expenditure:				
Running Meeting Rooms (note 9)	49,045	-	-	49,045
Congregation Support (note 9)	-	8,900	-	8,900
Cost of donated services (note 4)	15,868	-	-	15,868
Grants to affiliated trusts (note 5)	46	-	-	46
Total Expenditure:	64,958	8,900	-	73,858
Net Income/(Expenditure)	50,847	1,675	-	52,522
Net Movement In Funds	50,847	1,675	-	52,522
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
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LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1159075

Accounts

Trustees Report & Unaudited Financial Statements

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust
For the year ended 5 April 2022

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Legal and Administrative Information

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

Charity Name:

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust

Registered Charity Number:

1159075

Trustees:

Paul Morrish - resigned 5th April 2022 (Chair)

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Report of the Trustees

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the 5 April 2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 10 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 21st March 1983, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 12th August 2014. The trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 5th November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159075

Recruitment and appointment of new Trustees

The Trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 3. None of the Trustees, nor any person connected with them, received any remuneration or expenses from the Charity in the year ended 5 April 2022.

The Trust operates one Gospel hall and Trustees are chosen from among the regular congregation of the halls. New Trustees are nominated by the existing Trustees or by the congregation and must be appointed by unanimous resolution of the congregation. They are selected according to their skills and experience and are expected to use both in furthering the objects of the Charity. Checks are made to ensure the Trustees' eligibility to act and incoming Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities by the existing Trustees, who ensure that new Trustees read the Trust Deed and relevant Charity Commission guidance.

Wider Network

The Trustees maintain informal links with Trustees of similar Trusts with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Trust. The Trust also maintains particular links with East Hill and Chichester Gospel Hall Trusts with which it shares members of its congregation.

Risk Management

The Trustees have identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and confirm that they have established systems to manage and mitigate those risks.

Objectives and Activities

Objectives and Aims

The charitable purposes of the Charity are the advancement of the Christian religion for the public benefit, including by the carrying on of the service of God in accordance with the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Bible as followed by those Christians forming part of the world-wide fellowship known as the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church (the "Brethren") and any other charitable purposes connected with Brethren. The core doctrine of the Brethren and proper practices in furtherance of certain aspects of doctrine are summarised in two schedules to the Trust Deed.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance to charities on public benefit.

Main activities and achievements

The Trust provides and maintains one Gospel halls where religious meetings are held by the local Brethren community. Details of the origins, teachings and way of life of the Brethren can be found on the website - www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org and in the schedules to the Trust Deed.

During the year the Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust has made donations to a local food bank totaling £858. Members of the congregation have also been involved in working at events with another charity, the Rapid Relief Team (RRT), which supports local communities in time of need. The congregation has supported RRT in the following events:

December 2021 - Volunteers from the Lansdowne GHT congregation supported the Rapid Relief Team in packing and delivering 8 family food boxes to Dene Court, a local care home and Two Saints Homeless Charity.

January 2022 - Volunteers from the Lansdowne GHT congregation supported the RRT in packing and delivery 17 family food boxes to a local charity, Andover Young Carers.

February 2022 - Volunteers from the Lansdowne GHT again supported the RRT, packing and delivering 30 family food boxes, 30 water bottles, and 30 classroom activity kits to Vigo Road Primary School.

The trustees have also operated an Emergency Needs fund for the duration of the coronavirus pandemic and any resultant economic downturn. This is providing limited financial assistance by the way of grocery vouchers to households, who have experienced a recent and significant decrease in income due to the pandemic, such that it is likely to impact on the health and/or welfare of members of the household. The trust has appointed a Local Welfare Panel to manage the application process and to administer the vouchers to qualifying applicants.

Plans for future periods

With the commencement of lockdown restrictions in the UK the trust ceased using the gospel hall it operates. During the financial year, restrictions were eased sufficiently to allow the congregation to use the gospel hall for the Lord's Supper (Communion). The use of the rooms was conducted in a manner which always complied with the government guidance, and the trust intends to continue using the rooms when it is safe to do so. The trustees do not consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will have any effect on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern.

The trust has applied for and is hoping to be granted planning permission to extend the car park of the gospel hall it operates.

Meetings

Meetings held at the Gospel halls include the Lord's Supper (Communion), Gospel preachings, Bible readings and Bible addresses. There is a structured weekly schedule of meetings and, depending on the particular meeting, between 20 and 600 people normally attend these occasions.

The meetings are attended by the regular congregation and most are open to other properly disposed visitors. The notice board outside the Hall welcomes visitors and displays the times of Gospel preachings, along with a telephone number for those seeking further information or help. Gospel tracts, which are distributed by street preachers, also display this information.

Bibles and an extensive range of other Christian reading material are on display at the halls and visitors are free to help themselves.

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Reuben Diplock (Trustee)

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Date

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Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

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

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

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14 December 2022

Statement of Financial Activities

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
Income and endowments:					
Donations and Legacies:					
Collections	6,851	-	-	6,851	25
Contributions from the Congregation	108,200	-	-	108,200	30,000
Gift Aid Donations	600	-	-	600	790
Income Tax refunds	150	-	-	150	198
Congregation Support	-	10,575	-	10,575	14,050
Investments	4	-	-	4	16
Total Income and endowments:	115,805	10,575	-	126,380	45,079
Expenditure:					
Running Meeting Rooms (note 9)	49,045	-	-	49,045	43,954
Congregation Support (note 9)	-	8,900	-	8,900	15,725
Cost of donated services (note 4)	15,913	-	-	15,913	15,473
Total Expenditure:	64,958	8,900	-	73,858	75,152
Net Income/(Expenditure)	50,847	1,675	-	52,522	(30,073)
Net Movement In Funds	50,847	1,675	-	52,522	(30,073)
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
Reconciliation of funds (note 11)					
Total Funds brought forward	1,278,978	(1,675)	-	1,277,303	1,307,377
Net movement in funds	50,847	1,675	-	52,522	(30,073)
Total Funds carried forward	1,329,825	-	-	1,329,825	1,277,303

The notes on page 11 - 18 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust As at 5 April 2022

	2022	2021
Fixed Assets		
Tangible assets (note 6)	1,373,856	1,267,422
Total Fixed Assets	1,373,856	1,267,422
Current assets		
Prepayments and accrued income	2,054	1,637
Cash at bank and in hand	4,671	59,000
Total Current assets	6,726	60,637
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Loans	50,000	50,000
Accruals and deferred income	756	756
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	50,756	50,756
Net current assets/(liabilities)	(44,030)	9,881
Total assets less current liabilities	1,329,825	1,277,303
Net Assets	1,329,825	1,277,303
Funds (note 10)		
Unrestricted funds	1,329,825	1,277,303
Total Funds	1,329,825	1,277,303

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust onand were signed on its behalf by:

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Reuben Diplock (Trustee)

The notes on pages 11 - 18 form part of these financial statements.

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, and incorporating update bulletins 1 and 2, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

The Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2 Income

Donations are recognised in the year in which there is entitlement and probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future year. Gift aid is added to the value of the donation to which it relates.

Donated services are recognised as income and expenditure in the financial statements when organisations or individuals offer their services and support pro bono. The value of these donated services to Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust is considered to be equal to market value which would be paid were the service formally procured. This includes services paid for by other trusts.

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Charitable activities comprise those costs directly attributable to the fulfilment of the charitable objects.

1.4 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related to statutory requirements. Governance and support costs are allocated to charitable activities on the basis of capacity used.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £100) are stated at cost less depreciation. Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold property and refurbishments	2% straight line
Computer Equipment	10% Reducing Balance

1.6 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is not liable to United Kingdom income or corporation tax on charitable activities, provided income falls within the charitable exemptions and is spent on charitable purposes.

1.7 Funds

The general unrestricted fund is free for the Trustees to use for any purposes in furtherance of the trust's charitable objects.

Restricted funds arise from donations to the trust, which are made for a specific purpose. Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose for which funds were given.

1.8 Preparation of consolidated financial statements

The Charity does not have a trading subsidiary.

1.9 Going Concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

The trustees do not consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will have any effect on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity and no Trustees were reimbursed for expenses (2021: none)

3. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2021: none)

4. Donated Services

	2022	2021
Donated Services		
Donated To:		
Donated Services to Chichester Gospel Hall Trust	11,407	9,360
Donated Services to Easthill Trust	4,506	6,113
Total Donated Services:	15,913	15,473

5. Grants

2022

2021

Grants:

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost	Freehold Property and Refurbishment	Computer Equipment	Totals
At 6 April 2021	1,401,650	-	1,401,650
Additions	130,135	6,330	136,465
Disposals			
At 5 April 2022	1,531,785	6,330	1,538,115
Depreciation			
At 6 April 2021	134,228	-	134,228
Current Year Depreciation	29,787	245	30,032
Eliminated on disposals			
At 5 April 2022	164,015	245	164,260
Net Book Value			
At 5 April 2022	1,367,770	6,086	1,373,856
At 5 April 2021	1,267,422	-	1,267,422

Land registry titles of the above property held are Land registry titles of the above property held are HP820376, HP669689 and HP762106.

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

No material donations have been received from related parties of the trustees. The trust made reimbursements to Reuben Diplock, a trustee, totaling £9,642.04 for expenses relating to public benefit and congregation support.

8. VOLUNTEERS

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

Resources Expended

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

9. Resources Expended

	MEETING ROOMS	OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL COSTS 2022	TOTAL COSTS 2021
Direct Costs				
Premises costs - repairs and maintenance	3,595	-	3,595	5,723
Premises costs - heat, light and power	3,249	-	3,249	1,477
Health and Safety	360	-	360	-
Legal and professional	6,662	-	6,662	4,823
Congregation Support	-	8,900	8,900	15,725
Public outreach expenses	858	-	858	999
Depreciation	30,032	-	30,032	28,019
Insurance	1,576	-	1,576	1,285
Subscriptions	1,542	-	1,542	691
Governance	1,170	-	1,170	936
Total Direct Costs	49,045	8,900	57,945	59,679

Governance costs include £180 (prior year: £180) in respect of independent examiners fees.

Analysis of Net Assets - Current year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

10.1 Current Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
Funds			
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,373,856	-	1,373,856
Current Assets	6,726	-	6,726
Current Liabilities	(50,756)	-	(50,756)
Total Funds	1,329,825	-	1,329,825

Analysis of Net Assets - Prior Year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

10.2 Prior Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
Funds			
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,267,422	-	1,267,422
Current Assets	60,637	-	60,637
Current Liabilities	(50,756)	-	(50,756)
Total Funds	1,277,303	-	1,277,303

Movement in Funds - Current Year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

11. Movement in Funds

11.1 Movement in funds - current year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
Movement in Funds				
Total funds brought forward	1,278,978	(1,675)	-	1,277,303
Incoming resources	115,805	10,575	-	126,380
Resources expended	(64,958)	(8,900)	-	(73,858)
Total funds carried forward	1,329,825	-	-	1,329,825

Movement in Funds - Prior Year

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

11. Movement in Funds

11.2 Movement in funds - Prior year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
Movement in Funds				
Total funds brought forward	1,307,377	-	-	1,307,377
Incoming resources	31,029	14,050	-	45,079
Resources expended	(59,427)	(15,725)	-	(75,152)
Total funds carried forward	1,278,978	(1,675)	-	1,277,303

Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust For the year ended 5 April 2022

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
Income and endowments:				
Collections	25	-	-	25
Donations and Legacies:	30,988	14,050	-	45,038
Investments	16	-	-	16
Total Income and endowments:	31,029	14,050	-	45,079
Expenditure:				
Running Meeting Rooms (note 9)	43,954	-	-	43,954
Congregation Support (note 9)	-	15,725	-	15,725
Cost of donated services (note 4)	15,473	-	-	15,473
Total Expenditure:	59,427	15,725	-	75,152
Net Income/(Expenditure)	(28,398)	(1,675)	-	(30,073)
Net Movement In Funds	(28,398)	(1,675)	-	(30,073)
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
Reconciliation of funds (note 11)				
Total Funds brought forward	1,307,377	-	-	1,307,377
Net movement in funds	(28,398)	(1,675)	-	(30,073)
Total Funds carried forward	1,278,978	(1,675)	-	1,277,303

LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1159075

Accounts

LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

CHARITY NAME: Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1159075

TRUSTEES: Derek Barry
Robert Barry
Darrell Brown
Reuben Diplock
Paul Morrish (Chair)

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LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 05 April 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page ten and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 21 March 1983, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 12 August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 05 November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159075

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 2. None of the Trustees, nor any person connected with them, received any remuneration or expenses from the Charity in the year ended 05 April 2021 (2020: £nil).

The Trust operates a Gospel hall and Trustees are chosen from among the regular congregation of the hall. New Trustees are nominated by the existing Trustees or by the congregation and must be appointed by unanimous resolution of the congregation. They are selected according to their skills and experience and are expected to use both in furthering the objects of the Charity. Checks are made to ensure the Trustees' eligibility to act and incoming Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities by the existing Trustees, who ensure that new Trustees read the Trust Deed and relevant Charity Commission guidance.

Wider network

The Trustees maintain informal links with Trustees of similar Trusts with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Trust. The Trust also maintains particular links with East Hill Trust and Chichester Gospel Hall Trust with which it shares members of its congregation.

Risk management

The Trustees have identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and confirm that they have established systems to manage and mitigate those risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charitable purposes of the Charity are the advancement of the Christian religion for the public benefit, including by the carrying on of the service of God in accordance with the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Bible as followed by those Christians forming part of the world-wide fellowship known as the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church (the "Brethren") and any other charitable purposes connected with Brethren. The core doctrine of the Brethren and proper practices in furtherance of certain aspects of doctrine are summarised in two schedules to the Trust Deed.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance to charities on public benefit.

LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

Main activities and achievements

The Trust provides and maintains a Gospel hall where religious meetings are held by the local Brethren community. Details of the origins, teachings and way of life of the Brethren can be found on the website - www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org and in the schedules to the Trust Deed.

During the year, members of the congregation have also been involved in working at events with another charity, the Rapid Relief Team (RRT), which supports local communities in time of need. The congregation has supported the work of RRT in the following events:

On 4th July 2020, A total of 9 volunteers from the Lansdowne GHT congregation supported the Rapid Relief Team at a thatch fire in Thrupton. The team provided food and drink to the emergency services at the scene.

On 28th November 2020, 6 volunteers from the Lansdowne GHT congregation delivered food boxes to the following charities: YMCA Basingstoke, Andover Crisis Centre and Andover Young Carers. These food boxes contained family-friendly nutritional food to people affected by the covid pandemic and being cared for by the named charities.

On 7th March 2021, a total of 8 volunteers from the Lansdowne congregation supported the Rapid Relief team at another thatch fire in Barton Stacey. Again they provided refreshments for the emergency services at the scene.

The trustees have also established an Emergency Needs fund for the duration of the current pandemic and any resultant economic downturn. This is providing limited financial assistance by the way of grocery vouchers to households, who have experienced a recent and significant decrease in income due to the pandemic, such that it is likely to impact on the health and/or welfare of members of the household. The trust has appointed a Local Welfare Panel to manage the application process and to administer the vouchers to qualifying applicants.

Plans for Future Periods

From 18th March 2020, Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust ceased using the gospel hall which it operates. This was as a result of the global COVID-19 pandemic and the general lockdown imposed by the government on 23rd March 2020.

The Trust aims to use this Gospel Hall again once the general lockdown is lifted and it is deemed safe to do so. The trustees do not consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will have any effect on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern.

Meetings

Meetings held at the Gospel hall include the Lord's Supper (Communion), Gospel preachings, Bible readings and Bible addresses. There is a structured weekly schedule of meetings and, depending on the particular meeting, between 20 and 600 people normally attend these occasions.

The meetings are attended by the regular congregation and most are open to other properly disposed visitors. The notice board outside the Hall welcomes visitors and displays the times of Gospel preachings, along with a telephone number for those seeking further information or help. Gospel tracts, which are distributed by street preachers, also display this information.

Bibles and an extensive range of other Christian reading material are on display at the halls and visitors are free to help themselves.

Spreading the Gospel message and the life of a Christian

The Gospel halls are a base from which the regular congregation and others who attend the meetings are encouraged to spread the Christian Gospel, in word and deed.

Members of the congregation would usually participate in a programme of street preaching where Gospel tracts are provided free of charge by the Charity to such preachers to be handed out to interested members of the public. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic this has not been possible during the financial year, but the congregation aim to continue this once it is safe to do so.

LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

In carrying out this work, the congregation considers itself to be living out its faith in practice, as particularly exemplified in the following extract from the schedule to the Trust Deed on living a Christian life:

- We seek and are encouraged to live exemplary lives in all our relationships with others in the wider community (including former Brethren), in accordance with the teachings of Holy Scripture (1 Tim 2:2).

- We regularly go out from our homes to preach on the streets, to distribute Christian literature and engage with the wider community (including former Brethren) in order to present eternal salvation, available to all men by faith in Jesus Christ. (2 Tim 4:2).

- We seek as members of the public to lead Christian lives as husbands and wives, parents, children, employers, employees and neighbours. (Col 3:22-25, Col 4:1).

- The preservation and protection of the family unit is fundamental and children are prized as a blessing from God. (Psalm 127:3-5). The elderly are valued members of the community, for whom both their family and the wider community are expected to care.

- Holy Scripture commands us to be good neighbours to others, and deal with all other people (including former Brethren) openly, honestly and fairly and consistent with these principles, we should give our time, talents and money to assist those in need in the wider community, in so far as reasonable given our abilities and our available resources. (Matt 7:12, Matt 22:39, Eph 4:28).

Funding

Funding is sought through gifts from the congregation and Gift Aid is claimed on eligible donations. Funding is sometimes received from other charitable trusts with complementary objectives.

LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

In the year ended 05 April 2021 the Trust had a modest deficit of incoming resources over resources expended. This is mostly due to non-monetary items such as depreciation

The designated fund for congregation support showed a modest deficit at the financial yearend. The trustees were aware of the deficit and ensured this was cleared immediately following the financial yearend. The shortfall was covered by funds received on 08/04/2021.

Total voluntary income received this year was £45,063 compared to £81,664 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

The Trust is committed to ensuring that rooms are safe for the congregation to use again once the Coronavirus restrictions are lifted.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs, based on its size and the level of its financial commitments. The Trust has no employees and its regular outgoings are minimal. Accordingly, the Trustees have decided to adopt a policy of maintaining no significant reserves. The congregation is kept regularly informed as to particular needs for funds, and other relevant matters and the Trustees aim to ensure that the Charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure, by raising a funds appeal to the congregation.

Free reserves at the year end were £ 9,882

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES - continued

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. All transactions have been reviewed and approved by two trustees.

On behalf of the board:

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Reuben Diplock

.....
Date

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER
TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust for the year ended 05 April 2021.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

BASIS OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

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24 September 2021

LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Income and endowments from:						
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>						
Collections		25	-	-	25	80
Contributions from the congregation		30,000	-	-	30,000	31,000
Gift Aid donations		790	-	-	790	6,783
Income tax refunds		198	-	-	198	1,696
Other Donations		-	-	-	-	1,105
Congregation support Grants		-	14,050	-	14,050	-
		-	-	-	-	41,000
<i>Investments:</i>						
Bank interest		16	-	-	16	39
Total		31,029	14,050	-	45,079	81,703
Expenditure on:						
<i>Charitable activities</i>						
Running meeting rooms	5	43,953	-	-	43,953	61,708
Congregation Support	5	-	15,725	-	15,725	-
Cost of donated services	4	15,473	-	-	15,473	14,280
Grants to Affiliated Trusts	5	-	-	-	-	-
Total		59,426	15,725	-	75,151	75,988
Net income/(expenditure)		(28,397)	(1,675)	-	(30,072)	5,715
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(28,397)	(1,675)	-	(30,072)	5,715
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	8	1,307,377	-	-	1,307,377	1,301,662
Total funds carried forward		1,278,980	(1,675)	-	1,277,305	1,307,377

The notes on pages 10 - 13 form part of these financial statements. All of the above activities are classed as continuing and there are no gains and losses other than those included above.

LANSDOWNE GOSPEL HALL TRUST

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 05 APRIL 2021

	Notes	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	6		1,267,423		1,293,346
Current Assets					
Debtors		-		-	
Prepayments and accrued income		1,637		1,283	
Cash at bank and in hand		59,001		63,504	
		<u>60,638</u>		<u>64,787</u>	
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:				-	
Other creditors		50,000		-	
Accruals and deferred income		756		756	
		<u>50,756</u>		<u>756</u>	
Net current assets			9,882		64,031
			<u>1,277,305</u>		<u>1,357,377</u>
Total assets less current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:					
Loan			-		50,000
					<u>1,307,377</u>
Net assets			<u>1,277,305</u>		<u>1,307,377</u>
Funds					
Restricted funds			-		-
Unrestricted income fund			1,278,980		1,307,377
Designated Funds			(1,675)		-
Total funds	7		<u>1,277,305</u>		<u>1,307,377</u>
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The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust onand were signed on its behalf by

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Reuben Diplock

The notes on pages 10 - 13 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, and incorporating update bulletins 1 and 2, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

The Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2 Income

Donations are recognised in the year in which there is entitlement and probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future year. Gift aid is added to the value of the donation to which it relates.

Donated services are recognised as income and expenditure in the financial statements when organisations or individuals offer their services and support pro bono. The value of these donated services to Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust is considered to be equal to market value which would be paid were the service formally procured. This includes services paid for by other trusts.

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Charitable activities comprise those costs directly attributable to the fulfilment of the charitable objects.

1.4 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related to statutory requirements. Governance and support costs are allocated to charitable activities on the basis of capacity used.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £100) are stated at cost less depreciation. Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold buildings	2.5% straight line
Property improvements	2.5% straight line
Fixtures and Fittings	20% reducing balance

1.6 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is not liable to United Kingdom income or corporation tax on charitable activities, provided income falls within the charitable exemptions and is spent on charitable purposes.

1.7 Funds

The general unrestricted fund is free for the Trustees to use for any purposes in furtherance of the trust's charitable objects.

Restricted funds arise from donations to the trust, which are made for a specific purpose. Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose for which funds were given.

1.8 Preparation of consolidated financial statements

The Charity does not have a trading subsidiary.

1.9 Going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

From 18th March 2020, Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust ceased using the gospel halls which it operates, due to the global COVID-19 pandemic and the general lockdown imposed by the government.

The trustees do not consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will have any effect on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity and no Trustees were reimbursed for expenses (2020: None).

3. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2020: none).

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4. **DONATED SERVICES**

<i>Donated to:</i>	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
East Hill Gospel Hall Trust	6,113	4,238
Chichester Gospel Hall Trust	9,360	10,042
Total	15,473	14,280

5. **RESOURCES EXPENDED**

	Meeting rooms £	Other charitable activities £	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
Direct costs				
Premises costs - Rent and Rates	-	-	-	-
Premises costs - Light and heat	1,477	-	1,477	7,079
Premises costs - Repairs and maintenance	5,723	-	5,723	21,231
Telephone	-	-	-	649
Health and safety				360
Insurance	1,285	-	1,285	1,194
Training	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	28,019	-	28,019	27,819
Congregation support	-	15,725	15,725	-
Professional charges	4,823	-	4,823	292
Subscriptions	691	-	691	1,274
Donations	999	-	999	286
Loss on sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Support costs				
Public Outreach Day expenses	-	-	-	-
Other Public Outreach expenses				-
Governance	936		936	1,524
	43,953	15,725	59,678	61,708

Governance costs include £180 (2020: £180) in respect of independent examiners fees

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6. **TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Freehold Property and Refurbishment	Totals
	£	£
Cost		
At 06 April 2020	1,399,555	1,399,555
Additions	2,095	2,095
Disposals	-	-
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,401,650</u>	<u>1,401,650</u>
Depreciation		
At 06 April 2020	106,209	106,209
Charge for the year	28,019	28,019
Depreciation on disposals	-	-
At 05 April 2021	<u>134,228</u>	<u>134,228</u>
Net book value		
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,267,422</u>	<u>1,267,422</u>
At 05 April 2020	<u>1,293,346</u>	<u>1,293,346</u>

Property Details:

Land registry titles of the above property held are HP820376, HP669689 and HP762106

7. **ANALYSIS OF NET ASSET BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
7.1 Current year			
Tangible fixed assets	1,267,423	-	1,267,423
Current assets	60,638	-	60,638
Current liabilities	(50,756)	-	(50,756)
Non-current liabilities	-	-	-
Total funds	<u>1,277,305</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,277,305</u>
7.2 Prior year			
Tangible fixed assets	1,293,346	-	1,293,346
Current assets	64,787	-	64,787
Current liabilities	(756)	-	(756)
Non-current liabilities	(50,000)	-	(50,000)
Total funds	<u>1,307,377</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,307,377</u>

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8. **MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

8.1 Current year

	Fund balance At 06 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses £	Fund balance At 05 April 2021 £
Restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	1,307,377	31,029	(59,426)	-	1,278,980
Designated Funds	-	14,050	(15,725)	-	(1,675)
Total funds	1,307,377	45,079	(75,151)	-	1,277,305

8.2 Prior year

	Fund balance At 06 April 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses £	Fund balance At 05 April 2020 £
Restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	1,301,662	81,703	(75,988)	-	1,307,377
Designated Funds	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds	1,301,662	81,703	(75,988)	-	1,307,377

9. **TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

No material donations have been received from related parties of the trustees. The trust made reimbursements to Reuben Diplock, a trustee, totalling £18,517 for expenses relating to public benefit and congregation support.

10 **VOLUNTEERS**

Lansdowne Gospel Hall Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.