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DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1159102

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DOWNHAM 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 13 November 1979, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 08 August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 06 November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159102

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 2 Gospel halls 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 Charity also maintains particular links with The Southgates Trust, who Downham Gospel Hall Trust pay most of The Southgates Trust expenses on its behalf.

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. The Trust continued to support the local Food Bank Scheme, an organisation that the Trust has consistently supported for the past few years.

Plans for future periods

From 18th March 2020, Downham Gospel Hall Trust ceased using the gospel halls which it operates. This was 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 the gospel halls again once the 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.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

Main activities and achievements

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 and in the schedules to the Trust Deed.

An upgrade of Willow Drive was completed to support residents in close proximity to the main Gospel Hall, at a cost of £1,177.92.

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.

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 40 and 400 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 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).

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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

Financial position

In the year ended 05 April 2021 the Trust had a modest surplus of incoming resources over resources expended. Total voluntary income received this year was £171,352 compared to £142,793 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

During the year, the following loan repayment was made:

£48,750 to Central Gospel Hall Trust.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim for the charity to hold approximately £10,000 in a current account to meet the day to day expenses, plus an allowance for any urgent repairs and capital expenses. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily. Free reserves accumulated in excess of the minimum will be used at the discretion of the trustees for the strategic development of Downham Gospel Hall Trust. 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.

Free reserves at the year end were £156,252.

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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.

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.

On behalf of the board:

.....
Mr S Turner (Trustee)

.....
Date

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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Downham 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

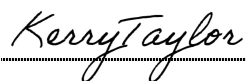
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or 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.

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

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>						
Collections		51,666	-	-	51,666	46,164
Contributions from the congregation		51,006	38,175	-	89,181	56,040
Gift Aid donations		23,295	-	-	23,295	31,610
Income tax refunds		5,829	-	-	5,829	7,903
Donated services	4	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll giving		1,381	-	-	1,381	1,076
Legacies		-	-	-	-	-
Grants received		-	-	-	-	-
<i>Investments:</i>						
Bank interest		88	-	-	88	283
<i>Other</i>						
Interments		-	-	-	-	-
Other interest		-	-	-	-	-
Total		133,265	38,175	-	171,440	143,076
Expenditure on:						
<i>Charitable activities</i>						
Running meeting rooms	5	95,864	-	-	95,864	111,693
Cost of donated services	4	3,117	-	-	3,117	5,496
Congregation support		-	37,725	-	37,725	-
Total		98,981	37,725	-	136,706	117,189
Net income/(expenditure)		34,284	450	-	34,734	25,887
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		34,284	450	-	34,734	25,887
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		2,445,822	-	-	2,445,822	2,419,935
Total funds carried forward		2,480,106	450	-	2,480,556	2,445,822

The notes on pages 10 to 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.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 05 APRIL 2021

	Notes	2021	2020
		£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	6	2,432,054	2,476,103
Current Assets			
Prepayments and accrued income		7,178	9,006
Cash at bank and in hand		189,094	157,233
		<u>196,272</u>	<u>166,239</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Short term loans		(39,000)	(39,000)
Accruals and deferred income		<u>(1,020)</u>	<u>(1,020)</u>
Net current assets		156,252	126,219
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>2,588,306</u>	<u>2,602,322</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loan		107,750	156,500
Net assets		<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>
Funds			
Restricted funds		-	-
Unrestricted income fund		2,480,556	2,445,822
Total funds	8	<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>

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

.....
Mr S Turner (Trustee)

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

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST
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 Downham 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
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 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.

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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

Donated to:	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
The Southgates Trust	3,117	5,496

5. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Meeting rooms £	Other charitable activities £	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
Direct costs				
Repairs and maintenance	6,092	-	6,092	18,076
Donations and gifts	-	-	-	645
Insurance	1,771	-	1,771	1,681
Water rates	1,408	-	1,408	1,495
Light and heat	16,118	-	16,118	23,067
Telephone and broadband costs	970	-	970	1,052
Legal and professional	4,905	-	4,905	1,851
Secretarial support	515	-	515	1,215
Sundry expenses	561	-	561	612
Depreciation	60,979	-	60,979	60,503
Public outreach work		1,178	1,178	112
Support costs				
Bank charges	347	-	347	364
Governance	1,020	-	1,020	1,020
	<u>94,686</u>	<u>1,178</u>	<u>95,864</u>	<u>111,693</u>

Governance costs include £180 (2020: £180) in respect of independent examiner's fees.

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property - West Winch Hall	Freehold property - 34 Downham Road Watlington	Freehold property - 15 Fen Road Watlington	Freehold property - Stoke Road Shouldham
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 06 April 2020	2,108,916	291,523	157,932	234,354
Additions	12,222	4,708	-	-
Disposals			-	-
At 05 April 2021	<u>2,121,138</u>	<u>296,231</u>	<u>157,932</u>	<u>234,354</u>
Depreciation				
At 06 April 2020	223,903	40,812	22,110	31,117
Charge for the year	43,685	7,363	3,948	5,859
Depreciation on disposals				
At 05 April 2021	<u>267,588</u>	<u>48,175</u>	<u>26,058</u>	<u>36,976</u>
Net book value				
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,853,550</u>	<u>248,056</u>	<u>131,874</u>	<u>197,378</u>
At 05 April 2020	<u>1,885,013</u>	<u>250,711</u>	<u>131,874</u>	<u>203,237</u>

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	Fixtures and Fittings £	Totals £
At 06 April 2020	2,384	2,795,109
Additions		16,930
Disposals		-
At 05 April 2021	<u>2,384</u>	<u>2,812,039</u>
Depreciation		
At 06 April 2020	1,064	319,006
Charge for the year	124	60,979
Depreciation on disposals		-
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,188</u>	<u>379,985</u>
Net book value		
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,196</u>	<u>2,432,054</u>
At 05 April 2020	<u>1,320</u>	<u>2,476,103</u>

Property Details:

Land registry titles of the above property held are NK330843, NK127175, NK244794 and NK99617.

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSET BETWEEN FUNDS

7.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,432,054	-	2,432,054
Current assets	196,272	-	196,272
Current liabilities	(40,020)	-	(40,020)
Non-current liabilities	(107,750)	-	(107,750)
Total funds	<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,556</u>

7.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,476,103	-	2,476,103
Current assets	166,239	-	166,239
Current liabilities	(40,020)	-	(40,020)
Non-current liabilities	(156,500)	-	(156,500)
Total funds	<u>2,445,822</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>

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	<u>2,445,822</u>	<u>171,440</u>	<u>(136,706)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,556</u>
Total funds	<u>2,445,822</u>	<u>171,440</u>	<u>(136,706)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,556</u>

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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	2,419,935	143,076	(117,189)	-	2,445,822
Total funds	2,419,935	143,076	(117,189)	-	2,445,822

9. **TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

Donations totalling £55,345 (2020: £52,645) have been received from related parties of the trustees.

10. **VOLUNTEERS**

Downham 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.

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DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST

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YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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- 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).

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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

Financial position

In the year ended 05 April 2021 the Trust had a modest surplus of incoming resources over resources expended. Total voluntary income received this year was £171,352 compared to £142,793 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

During the year, the following loan repayment was made:

£48,750 to Central Gospel Hall Trust.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim for the charity to hold approximately £10,000 in a current account to meet the day to day expenses, plus an allowance for any urgent repairs and capital expenses. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily. Free reserves accumulated in excess of the minimum will be used at the discretion of the trustees for the strategic development of Downham Gospel Hall Trust. 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.

Free reserves at the year end were £156,252.

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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.

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.

On behalf of the board:

.....
Mr S Turner (Trustee)

.....
Date

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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Downham 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

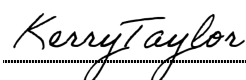
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>						
Collections		51,666	-	-	51,666	46,164
Contributions from the congregation		51,006	38,175	-	89,181	56,040
Gift Aid donations		23,295	-	-	23,295	31,610
Income tax refunds		5,829	-	-	5,829	7,903
Donated services	4	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll giving		1,381	-	-	1,381	1,076
Legacies		-	-	-	-	-
Grants received		-	-	-	-	-
<i>Investments:</i>						
Bank interest		88	-	-	88	283
<i>Other</i>						
Interments		-	-	-	-	-
Other interest		-	-	-	-	-
Total		133,265	38,175	-	171,440	143,076
Expenditure on:						
<i>Charitable activities</i>						
Running meeting rooms	5	95,864	-	-	95,864	111,693
Cost of donated services	4	3,117	-	-	3,117	5,496
Congregation support		-	37,725	-	37,725	-
Total		98,981	37,725	-	136,706	117,189
Net income/(expenditure)		34,284	450	-	34,734	25,887
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		34,284	450	-	34,734	25,887
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		2,445,822	-	-	2,445,822	2,419,935
Total funds carried forward		2,480,106	450	-	2,480,556	2,445,822

The notes on pages 10 to 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.

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 05 APRIL 2021

	Notes	2021	2020
		£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	6	2,432,054	2,476,103
Current Assets			
Prepayments and accrued income		7,178	9,006
Cash at bank and in hand		189,094	157,233
		<u>196,272</u>	<u>166,239</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Short term loans		(39,000)	(39,000)
Accruals and deferred income		<u>(1,020)</u>	<u>(1,020)</u>
Net current assets		156,252	126,219
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>2,588,306</u>	<u>2,602,322</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loan		107,750	156,500
Net assets		<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>
Funds			
Restricted funds		-	-
Unrestricted income fund		2,480,556	2,445,822
Total funds	8	<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>

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

.....
Mr S Turner (Trustee)

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

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST
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 Downham 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
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 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.

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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).

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

4. DONATED SERVICES

Donated to:	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
The Southgates Trust	3,117	5,496

5. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Meeting rooms £	Other charitable activities £	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
Direct costs				
Repairs and maintenance	6,092	-	6,092	18,076
Donations and gifts	-	-	-	645
Insurance	1,771	-	1,771	1,681
Water rates	1,408	-	1,408	1,495
Light and heat	16,118	-	16,118	23,067
Telephone and broadband costs	970	-	970	1,052
Legal and professional	4,905	-	4,905	1,851
Secretarial support	515	-	515	1,215
Sundry expenses	561	-	561	612
Depreciation	60,979	-	60,979	60,503
Public outreach work		1,178	1,178	112
Support costs				
Bank charges	347	-	347	364
Governance	1,020	-	1,020	1,020
	<u>94,686</u>	<u>1,178</u>	<u>95,864</u>	<u>111,693</u>

Governance costs include £180 (2020: £180) in respect of independent examiner's fees.

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property - West Winch Hall	Freehold property - 34 Downham Road Watlington	Freehold property - 15 Fen Road Watlington	Freehold property - Stoke Road Shouldham
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 06 April 2020	2,108,916	291,523	157,932	234,354
Additions	12,222	4,708	-	-
Disposals			-	-
At 05 April 2021	<u>2,121,138</u>	<u>296,231</u>	<u>157,932</u>	<u>234,354</u>
Depreciation				
At 06 April 2020	223,903	40,812	22,110	31,117
Charge for the year	43,685	7,363	3,948	5,859
Depreciation on disposals				
At 05 April 2021	<u>267,588</u>	<u>48,175</u>	<u>26,058</u>	<u>36,976</u>
Net book value				
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,853,550</u>	<u>248,056</u>	<u>131,874</u>	<u>197,378</u>
At 05 April 2020	<u>1,885,013</u>	<u>250,711</u>	<u>131,874</u>	<u>203,237</u>

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	Fixtures and Fittings £	Totals £
At 06 April 2020	2,384	2,795,109
Additions		16,930
Disposals		-
At 05 April 2021	<u>2,384</u>	<u>2,812,039</u>
Depreciation		
At 06 April 2020	1,064	319,006
Charge for the year	124	60,979
Depreciation on disposals		-
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,188</u>	<u>379,985</u>
Net book value		
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,196</u>	<u>2,432,054</u>
At 05 April 2020	<u>1,320</u>	<u>2,476,103</u>

Property Details:

Land registry titles of the above property held are NK330843, NK127175, NK244794 and NK99617.

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSET BETWEEN FUNDS

7.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,432,054	-	2,432,054
Current assets	196,272	-	196,272
Current liabilities	(40,020)	-	(40,020)
Non-current liabilities	(107,750)	-	(107,750)
Total funds	<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,556</u>

7.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,476,103	-	2,476,103
Current assets	166,239	-	166,239
Current liabilities	(40,020)	-	(40,020)
Non-current liabilities	(156,500)	-	(156,500)
Total funds	<u>2,445,822</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>

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	<u>2,445,822</u>	<u>171,440</u>	<u>(136,706)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,556</u>
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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	2,419,935	143,076	(117,189)	-	2,445,822
Total funds	2,419,935	143,076	(117,189)	-	2,445,822

9. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

Donations totalling £55,345 (2020: £52,645) have been received from related parties of the trustees.

10. VOLUNTEERS

Downham 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.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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DOWNHAM 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 13 November 1979, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 08 August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 06 November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159102

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 2 Gospel halls 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 Charity also maintains particular links with The Southgates Trust, who Downham Gospel Hall Trust pay most of The Southgates Trust expenses on its behalf.

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- 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).

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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

Financial position

In the year ended 05 April 2021 the Trust had a modest surplus of incoming resources over resources expended. Total voluntary income received this year was £171,352 compared to £142,793 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

During the year, the following loan repayment was made:

£48,750 to Central Gospel Hall Trust.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim for the charity to hold approximately £10,000 in a current account to meet the day to day expenses, plus an allowance for any urgent repairs and capital expenses. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily. Free reserves accumulated in excess of the minimum will be used at the discretion of the trustees for the strategic development of Downham Gospel Hall Trust. 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.

Free reserves at the year end were £156,252.

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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.

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.

On behalf of the board:

.....
Mr S Turner (Trustee)

.....
Date

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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Downham 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

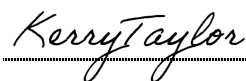
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or 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.

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 faire 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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24 May 2021

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

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>						
Collections		51,666	-	-	51,666	46,164
Contributions from the congregation		51,006	38,175	-	89,181	56,040
Gift Aid donations		23,295	-	-	23,295	31,610
Income tax refunds		5,829	-	-	5,829	7,903
Donated services	4	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll giving		1,381	-	-	1,381	1,076
Legacies		-	-	-	-	-
Grants received		-	-	-	-	-
<i>Investments:</i>						
Bank interest		88	-	-	88	283
<i>Other</i>						
Interments		-	-	-	-	-
Other interest		-	-	-	-	-
Total		133,265	38,175	-	171,440	143,076
Expenditure on:						
<i>Charitable activities</i>						
Running meeting rooms	5	95,864	-	-	95,864	111,693
Cost of donated services	4	3,117	-	-	3,117	5,496
Congregation support		-	37,725	-	37,725	-
Total		98,981	37,725	-	136,706	117,189
Net income/(expenditure)		34,284	450	-	34,734	25,887
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		34,284	450	-	34,734	25,887
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		2,445,822	-	-	2,445,822	2,419,935
Total funds carried forward		2,480,106	450	-	2,480,556	2,445,822

The notes on pages 10 to 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.

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 05 APRIL 2021

	Notes	2021	2020
		£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	6	2,432,054	2,476,103
Current Assets			
Prepayments and accrued income		7,178	9,006
Cash at bank and in hand		189,094	157,233
		<u>196,272</u>	<u>166,239</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Short term loans		(39,000)	(39,000)
Accruals and deferred income		<u>(1,020)</u>	<u>(1,020)</u>
Net current assets		156,252	126,219
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>2,588,306</u>	<u>2,602,322</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loan		107,750	156,500
Net assets		<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>
Funds			
Restricted funds		-	-
Unrestricted income fund		2,480,556	2,445,822
Total funds	8	<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>

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

.....
Mr S Turner (Trustee)

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

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST
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 Downham 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
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 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, Downham 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).

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST
NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

4. DONATED SERVICES

Donated to:	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
The Southgates Trust	3,117	5,496

5. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Meeting rooms £	Other charitable activities £	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
Direct costs				
Repairs and maintenance	6,092	-	6,092	18,076
Donations and gifts	-	-	-	645
Insurance	1,771	-	1,771	1,681
Water rates	1,408	-	1,408	1,495
Light and heat	16,118	-	16,118	23,067
Telephone and broadband costs	970	-	970	1,052
Legal and professional	4,905	-	4,905	1,851
Secretarial support	515	-	515	1,215
Sundry expenses	561	-	561	612
Depreciation	60,979	-	60,979	60,503
Public outreach work		1,178	1,178	112
Support costs				
Bank charges	347	-	347	364
Governance	1,020	-	1,020	1,020
	<u>94,686</u>	<u>1,178</u>	<u>95,864</u>	<u>111,693</u>

Governance costs include £180 (2020: £180) in respect of independent examiner's fees.

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property - West Winch Hall £	Freehold property - 34 Downham Road Watlington £	Freehold property - 15 Fen Road Watlington £	Freehold property - Stoke Road Shouldham £
Cost				
At 06 April 2020	2,108,916	291,523	157,932	234,354
Additions	12,222	4,708	-	-
Disposals			-	-
At 05 April 2021	<u>2,121,138</u>	<u>296,231</u>	<u>157,932</u>	<u>234,354</u>
Depreciation				
At 06 April 2020	223,903	40,812	22,110	31,117
Charge for the year	43,685	7,363	3,948	5,859
Depreciation on disposals				
At 05 April 2021	<u>267,588</u>	<u>48,175</u>	<u>26,058</u>	<u>36,976</u>
Net book value				
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,853,550</u>	<u>248,056</u>	<u>131,874</u>	<u>197,378</u>
At 05 April 2020	<u>1,885,013</u>	<u>250,711</u>	<u>131,874</u>	<u>203,237</u>

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	Fixtures and Fittings £	Totals £
At 06 April 2020	2,384	2,795,109
Additions		16,930
Disposals		-
At 05 April 2021	<u>2,384</u>	<u>2,812,039</u>
Depreciation		
At 06 April 2020	1,064	319,006
Charge for the year	124	60,979
Depreciation on disposals		-
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,188</u>	<u>379,985</u>
Net book value		
At 05 April 2021	<u>1,196</u>	<u>2,432,054</u>
At 05 April 2020	<u>1,320</u>	<u>2,476,103</u>

Property Details:

Land registry titles of the above property held are NK330843, NK127175, NK244794 and NK99617.

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSET BETWEEN FUNDS

7.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,432,054	-	2,432,054
Current assets	196,272	-	196,272
Current liabilities	(40,020)	-	(40,020)
Non-current liabilities	(107,750)	-	(107,750)
Total funds	<u>2,480,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,556</u>

7.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,476,103	-	2,476,103
Current assets	166,239	-	166,239
Current liabilities	(40,020)	-	(40,020)
Non-current liabilities	(156,500)	-	(156,500)
Total funds	<u>2,445,822</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,445,822</u>

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	<u>2,445,822</u>	<u>171,440</u>	<u>(136,706)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,556</u>
Total funds	<u>2,445,822</u>	<u>171,440</u>	<u>(136,706)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,556</u>

DOWNHAM GOSPEL HALL TRUST
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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	2,419,935	143,076	(117,189)	-	2,445,822
Total funds	2,419,935	143,076	(117,189)	-	2,445,822

9. **TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

Donations totalling £55,345 (2020: £52,645) have been received from related parties of the trustees.

10. **VOLUNTEERS**

Downham 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.

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