

CHARITY REGISTRATION NO: 1159127

WETHERBY ROAD GOSPEL HALL TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021

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

CHARITY NAME: Wetherby Road Gospel Hall Trust

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1159127

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WETHERBY ROAD 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 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 06 April 1982, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 12 August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 07 November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159127

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 halls 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 Charity also maintains particular links with The Manor 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.

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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.

The Trust's main achievements this year have been to provide and maintain the Gospel hall, which it operates, during the COVID-19 pandemic in view of resuming religious meetings once government restrictions permit and it is safe to do, as well as continuing the construction of a new local Gospel hall at Kirk Hammerton which is due to be completed in December 2021.

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, Wetherby Road 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 these Gospel Halls 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 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 500 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.

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In addition to street preaching, members of the congregation supported the activities of the Rapid Relief Team, a separate UK charity which provides support to emergency services and carries out other charitable activities, and the Trust also made a donation in May 2020 to Horizon Life which is a Christian rehabilitation centre. More information can be found in the outreach report appended 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

Financial position

In the year ended 05 April 2021 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended. Total voluntary income received this year was £97,148 compared to £83,050 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

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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. The Trustees aim for the Charity to hold reserves sufficient 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 Wetherby Road 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 £ 42,128

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

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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James Frizelle

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Date

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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Wetherby Road 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 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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WETHERBY ROAD 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:						
Donations and legacies:						
Collections		-	-	-	-	10,480
Contributions from the congregation		26,900	19,500	-	46,400	34,825
Gift Aid donations		23,607	-	-	23,607	27,628
Income tax refunds		5,802	-	-	5,802	6,595
Non Gift Aid donations		17,860	-	-	17,860	-
Donated services	4	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll giving		2,279	-	-	2,279	3,522
Grants		1,200	-	-	1,200	-
Investments:						
Bank interest		37	-	-	37	213
Total		77,685	19,500	-	97,185	83,263
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Running meeting rooms	5	64,991	-	-	64,991	67,759
Cost of donated services	4	4,820	-	-	4,820	6,461
Other charitable activities	5	250	12,450	-	12,700	-
Total		70,061	12,450	-	82,511	74,220
Net income/(expenditure)		7,624	7,050	-	14,674	9,043
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		7,624	7,050	-	14,674	9,043
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	8	2,018,726	-	-	2,018,726	2,009,683
Total funds carried forward		2,026,350	7,050	-	2,033,400	2,018,726

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.

WETHERBY ROAD GOSPEL HALL TRUST

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 05 APRIL 2021

	Notes	£	2021	£	£	2020	£
Fixed Assets							
Tangible assets	6		2,016,272			2,030,672	
Current Assets							
Debtors			-			-	
Prepayments and accrued income			6,911			7,797	
Cash at bank and in hand			102,540			85,089	
			109,451			92,886	
Current liabilities							
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:							
Loans			65,200			-	
Accruals and deferred income			2,123			2,632	
			67,323			2,632	
Net current assets				42,128			90,254
Total assets less current liabilities							
				2,058,400			2,120,926
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:							
Loans				25,000			102,200
Net assets							
				2,033,400			2,018,726
Funds							
Restricted funds				-			-
Unrestricted income fund				2,033,400			2,018,726
Total unrestricted funds	7			2,033,400			2,018,726

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

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James Frizelle

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

WETHERBY ROAD 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 Wetherby Road 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	2% Straight Line
Property Improvements	2% Reducing Balance
Fixtures and Fittings	15% 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.

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1.8 Preparation of consolidated financial statements

The Charity does not have a trading subsidiary and there is no requirement to prepare consolidated accounts.

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, Wetherby Road Gospel Hall Trust ceased using the gospel hall 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).

4. DONATED SERVICES

<i>Donated to:</i>	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
The Manor Gospel Hall Trust	4,820	6,461

5. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Meeting rooms £	Other charitable activities £	Year ended 05 April 2021 £	Year ended 05 April 2020 £
Direct costs				
Electricity, gas and water	14,293	-	14,293	12,871
Repairs and maintenance	6,950	-	6,950	15,578
Insurance	1,394	-	1,394	1,200
Telephone and broadband costs	965	-	965	1,143
Legal and professional	2,946	-	2,946	1,176
Community outreach	-	250	250	750
Congregation support	-	12,450	12,450	-
Security	635	-	635	747
Sundry expenses	2,059	-	2,059	-
Depreciation	34,131	-	34,131	33,317
Support costs				
Bank charges	28	-	28	27
Loan interest	840	-	840	200
Governance	750	-	750	750
	64,991	12,700	77,691	67,759

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

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Wetherby Road, Knaresborough	Wetherby Road Property Improvements	Kirk Hammerton	Kirk Hammerton Development Costs	Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment	Totals
£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						
At 06 April 2020	459,279	1,541,893	252,465	39,666	20,550	2,313,853
Additions	-	5,392		14,340		19,732
Disposals		-				-
At 05 April 2021	459,279	1,547,285	252,465	54,006	20,550	2,333,585
Depreciation						
At 06 April 2020	-	277,236		980	4,966	283,182
Charge for the year	-	30,908		885	2,338	34,131
Depreciation on disposals						-
At 05 April 2021	-	308,144	-	1,865	7,304	317,313
Net book value						
At 05 April 2021	459,279	1,239,141	252,465	52,141	13,246	2,016,272
At 05 April 2020	459,279	1,264,657	252,465	38,686	15,584	2,030,671

Property Details:

Land registry titles of the above property held are NYK301182 and NYK37004

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSET BETWEEN FUNDS

7.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,016,272	-	2,016,272
Current assets	109,451	-	109,451
Current liabilities	(67,323)	-	(67,323)
Non-current liabilities	(25,000)	-	(25,000)
Total funds	2,033,400	-	2,033,400

7.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,030,672	-	2,030,672
Current assets	92,886	-	92,886
Current liabilities	(2,632)	-	(2,632)
Non-current liabilities	(102,200)	-	(102,200)
Total funds	2,018,726	-	2,018,726

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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	-	-	-	-	-
Designated funds	-	19,500	(12,450)	-	7,050
Unrestricted funds	2,018,726	77,685	(70,061)	-	2,026,350
Total funds	2,018,726	97,185	(82,511)	-	2,033,400

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	2,009,683	83,263	(74,220)	-	2,018,726
Total funds	2,009,683	83,263	(74,220)	-	2,018,726

9. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

Donations totalling £24,519 have been received from related parties of the trustees. During the financial year, Wetherby Road GHT also reimbursed £2,080 to Kevin Oliver (brother to Derek Oliver, a trustee), for expenses relating to the rent of a temporary room.

10. VOLUNTEERS

Wetherby Road 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.