

# **Trustees Report & Unaudited Financial Statements**

Hillside Gospel Hall Trust  
For the year ended 5 April 2023

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# Legal and Administrative Information

## Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

**Charity Name:**

Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

**Registered Charity Number:**

1159148

**Trustees:**

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Mr J McCroft

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# Report of the Trustees

## Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

### For the year ended 5 April 2023

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 11-12 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 May 1982, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 08 August 2014. The trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 11 November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159148

### 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 2023.

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 similar charities with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Trust. The Charity also maintains particular links with the Derwent Valley Trust, Nottingham Gospel Hall Trust and Derby Gospel Hall Trust, all of 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 can be found in the separate appendix to this report.

## **Main activities and achievements**

The Trust provides and maintains one 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](http://www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org) and in the schedules to the Trust Deed.

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**

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.

## **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 25 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 hall is 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 2023 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended. This was due to a grant being received from the Nottingham Gospel Hall Trust after they had sold a hall.

Total voluntary income received this year was £391,469 compared to £471,930 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 Trustees aim for the Charity to hold approximately £25,000 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 Hillside Gospel Hall Trust. 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 is currently accumulating reserves with a view to completing some work on the hall including additional car parking which is waiting on planning approval with the hope to be completed before the next year end. The reserves have also increased in the past two year as a result of the Nottingham Gospel Hall Trust granting funds after the sale of their halls.

Free Reserves at the year end were £1,079,016 ( 2022: £814,496)

## 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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Mr J McCroft (Trustee)

11 September 2023

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Date

# Report of the Independent Examiner

## Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Hillside 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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11 September 2023



# Statement of Financial Activities

## Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
<b>Income and endowments:</b>					
<b>Donations and Legacies:</b>					
Contributions from the Congregation	-	-	-	-	12,450
Collections	76,656	-	-	76,656	77,113
Payroll giving	493	-	-	493	643
Gift aid Donations	17,020	-	-	17,020	18,170
Gift aid refunds	4,255	-	-	4,255	4,543
Grants Received (note 5)	293,045	-	-	293,045	359,011
<b>Investments</b>					
Interest Received	6,405	-	-	6,405	66
<b>Total Income and endowments:</b>	<b>397,874</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>397,874</b>	<b>471,996</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>					
Running Meeting Rooms (note 11)	113,448	-	-	113,448	86,444
Cost of donated services (note 4)	39,503	-	-	39,503	23,284
Congregation Support (note 11)	-	11,600	-	11,600	1,925
<b>Total Expenditure:</b>	<b>152,951</b>	<b>11,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>164,551</b>	<b>111,653</b>
<b>Net Income/(Expenditure)</b>	<b>244,923</b>	<b>(11,600)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>233,323</b>	<b>360,343</b>
<b>Net Movement In Funds</b>	<b>244,923</b>	<b>(11,600)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>233,323</b>	<b>360,343</b>
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
<b>Reconciliation of funds (note 13)</b>					
Total Funds brought forward	2,635,371	11,600	-	2,646,971	2,286,629
Net movement in funds	244,923	(11,600)	-	233,323	360,343
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>	<b>2,646,971</b>

The notes on page 11 - 19 form part of these financial statements.

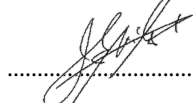
# Balance Sheet

## Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

As at 5 April 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Tangible assets (note 6)	1,801,279	1,832,476
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>1,801,279</b>	<b>1,832,476</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Prepayments and accrued income (note 7)	5,815	5,743
Cash at bank and in hand	1,076,335	808,875
Other current assets	-	5,125
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>1,082,150</b>	<b>819,742</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>		
Accruals and deferred income (note 8)	3,134	5,247
<b>Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>3,134</b>	<b>5,247</b>
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>1,079,016</b>	<b>814,495</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>	<b>2,646,971</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>	<b>2,646,971</b>
<b>Funds (note 12)</b>		
Unrestricted funds	2,880,294	2,646,971
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>	<b>2,646,971</b>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Hillside Gospel Hall Trust on 11 September 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mr J McCroft (Trustee)

The notes on pages 11 - 19 form part of these financial statements.

# Notes forming part of the Financial Statements

## Hillside 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 Hillside 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	3% straight line
Fixtures & 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 (2022: none)

## 3. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2022: none)

## 4. Donated Services

	2023	2022
<b>Donated Services</b>		
<b>Donated To:</b>		
Donated Services to Derwent Valley Gospel Hall Trust	18,121	11,431
Donated Services to Nottingham Gospel Hall Trust	16,931	9,657
Donated Services to Derby Gospel Hall Trust	4,451	2,196
<b>Total Donated Services:</b>	<b>39,503</b>	<b>23,284</b>

## 5. Grants Received

	2023	2022
<b>Grants Received</b>		
Grants from Nottingham Gospel Hall Trust	293,045	359,011
<b>Total Grants Received</b>	<b>293,045</b>	<b>359,011</b>

## 6. Tangible Fixed Assets

<b>Cost</b>	Freehold Property	Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment	Totals
At 6 April 2022	2,264,938	195,225	2,460,163
Additions	4,342	6,733	11,075
Disposals	-	-	-
At 5 April 2023	2,269,280	201,958	2,471,238
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 6 April 2022	493,626	134,061	627,687
Current Year Depreciation	35,800	6,472	42,272
Eliminated on disposals	-	-	-
At 5 April 2023	529,426	140,534	669,959
<b>Net Book Value</b>			
At 5 April 2023	1,739,854	61,425	1,801,279
At 5 April 2022	1,77,312	61,164	1,832,476

Land registry titles of the above property held are Land registry title of the above property held is NT23261.

## 7. Prepayments & Accrued Income

<b>Direct Costs</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Insurance	£1,314	£1,161
Security	£246	£40
Gift Aid Refunds Due	£4,255	£4,542
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,815</b>	<b>£5,744</b>

## 8. Accruals & Deferred Income

<b>Direct Costs</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Governance	£2,542	£1,008
Professional Fees	£593	£1,043
Premises Costs	-	£3,196
<b>Total</b>	<b>£3,134</b>	<b>£5,247</b>

## **9. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

Donations totalling £6,560 (2022: £7,560) have been received from related parties of the trustees. The trust also purchased equipment for £5,396 from Willow Select, a company to which Richard Groombridge is connected.

## **10. VOLUNTEERS**

Hillside 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

## Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

### 11. Resources Expended

	MEETING ROOMS	OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL COSTS 2023	TOTAL COSTS 2022
<b>Direct Costs</b>				
Premises Costs	40,062	-	40,062	33,950
Legal and professional	4,436	-	4,436	4,149
Depreciation	42,273	-	42,273	42,574
Insurance	1,586	-	1,586	2,591
Telephone	470	-	470	855
Donations	-	807	807	1,087
Bank Charges	284	-	284	231
Health & Safety	17,324	-	17,324	-
Other Expenses	2,362	-	2,362	-
Governance	3,844	-	3,844	1,008
<b>Total Direct Costs</b>	<b>112,641</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>113,448</b>	<b>86,444</b>

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

# Analysis of Net Assets - Current year

Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

## 12. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

### 12.1 Current Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2023
<b>Funds</b>				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,801,279	-	-	1,801,279
Current Assets	1,082,150	-	-	1,082,150
Current Liabilities	(3,134)	-	-	(3,134)
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>



# Analysis of Net Assets - Prior Year

Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

12.2 Prior Year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
<b>Funds</b>				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,832,476	-	-	1,832,476
Current Assets	808,142	11,600	-	819,742
Current Liabilities	(5,247)	-	-	(5,247)
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>2,635,371</b>	<b>11,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,646,971</b>

# Movement in Funds - Current Year

Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

## 13. Movement in Funds

### 13.1 Movement in funds - current year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2023
<b>Movement in Funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward	2,635,371	11,600	-	2,646,971
Incoming resources	397,874	-	-	397,874
Resources expended	(152,951)	(11,600)	-	(164,551)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,880,294</b>

# Movement in Funds - Prior Year

Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

## 13. Movement in Funds

### 13.2 Movement in funds - Prior year

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
<b>Movement in Funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward	2,285,554	1,075	-	2,286,629
Incoming resources	459,546	12,450	-	471,996
Resources expended	(109,728)	(1,925)	-	(111,653)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>2,635,371</b>	<b>11,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,646,971</b>

# Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

## Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

For the year ended 5 April 2023

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
<b>Income and endowments:</b>				
<b>Donations and Legacies:</b>				
Collections	77,113	-	-	77,113
Contributions from the Congregation	-	12,450	-	12,450
Gift Aid Donations	18,170	-	-	18,170
Gift aid refunds	4,543	-	-	4,543
Payroll giving	643	-	-	643
Grants Received (note 5)	359,011	-	-	359,011
<b>Investments</b>				
Interest Received	66	-	-	66
<b>Total Income and endowments:</b>	<b>459,546</b>	<b>12,450</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>471,996</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>				
Running Meeting Rooms (note 11)	86,444	-	-	86,444
Cost of donated services (note 4)	23,284	-	-	23,284
Congregation Support (note 11)	-	1,925	-	1,925
<b>Total Expenditure:</b>	<b>109,728</b>	<b>1,925</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>111,653</b>
<b>Net Income/(Expenditure)</b>	<b>349,818</b>	<b>10,525</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>360,343</b>
<b>Net Movement In Funds</b>	<b>349,818</b>	<b>10,525</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>360,343</b>
<b>11 September 2023</b>				
<b>Reconciliation of funds (note 13)</b>				
Total Funds brought forward	2,285,554	1,075	-	2,286,629
Net movement in funds	349,818	10,525	-	360,343
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>	<b>2,635,371</b>	<b>11,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,646,971</b>

**Hillside Gospel Hall**  
**Trust**

**Public Benefit Report**  
**2022 - 2023**

# Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

## Hillside Gospel Hall Trust Public Benefit



One of the Trust's principal activities that furthers its objectives is providing a facility for the coordination of outreach work within 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 as they have done for many years.

# Hillside Gospel Hall Trust

## 2022 – 2023 Summary

The Trustees of the Hillside 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 Commissions general guidance to charities on public benefit.

With the ongoing tragic war in Ukraine, 2022 – 2023 has been another year of challenges for individuals, businesses, and charities in their continued support for those suffering hardship and sorrow. This has highlighted the extraordinary humanitarian needs that exist in the world today.



The Trustees and the regular congregational members have committed to continue their public benefit works and have found this financial year has demanded even more resource as we support people and communities around our Places of Worship.

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## Street Preaching and Tract Distribution

Across Nottingham and Derby town centres, a total of 418 Street Preachings were held, and 1,775 tracts distributed during the period 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

Any enquiries received by the Trustees, or made to Central Office, have been followed up fully and where applicable people have been directed to the following website where literature can be purchased or downloaded for reading in multiple languages.

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Thank you for your kind and generous  
donation of food and toiletries.  
Your support will help make a difference!

*The Trust truly appreciate and  
values your support.  
Thank you for helping to make a  
difference.*

*The calls on the Trust's services and resources  
continue to increase week a week/month a  
month. The Trust recognises that it is only  
with your support that this need can be met.  
Thank you for caring!  
Wishing you all every Joy and Blessing this Easter.*

**YOUR support helps make a difference**

*Keari  
Project Manager*



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Hillside Gospel Hall Trust  
Plymouth Brethren Christian Church

10<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Dear Friends

On behalf of the trustees, staff and visitors I would like to thank Hillside Gospel Hall Trust/ Plymouth Brethren Christian Church for your support and very kind donation of food and toiletries that we received at the Friary on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

Gifts such as yours remain vital, especially now during such difficult times, as the Friary use their resources to provide essential support to the homeless and vulnerable in our Community.

Once again, many thanks and please convey thanks to all involved in the giving/decision-making process - your kindness and support are greatly valued by all at the Friary.

Yours sincerely

Ben Talbot  
Chief Executive

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## Nottingham RRT Events

Nottingham Gospel Hall Trust and its members of the congregation see the Rapid Relief Team (RRT) as a significant charity that is supporting communities in times of need and therefore have supported it by providing voluntary labour for the following events. (Registered charity no 1161586)



### April 2022: Long Eaton CEO Sleep Out

On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2022, RRT members provided a hot breakfast plus hot & cold drinks to those who participated in the Long Eaton CEO Sleep out, which was sponsored by the Cannan Trust providing awareness for homelessness in the area.

9 members of the congregation arrived on site at approx. 5.00am to set up the marquee and catering equipment.

They served approximately 45 breakfast meals in support of the great work of those that spent a long night sleeping under the stars in the town centre.

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## **June 2022: Food Boxes**

Throughout the month of June, members of the congregation attended a logistics warehouse in Rotherham to join the RRT organisation where they assisted the packing of RRT food boxes which were then being distributed to Ukraine (Operation 322).

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June – 12 members

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June – 2 members

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – 4 members

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June – 4 members

**July 2022: A further 5 members of the congregation were involved in food box packing as part of RRT's Operation 322 (support for Ukraine families)**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July: 13 volunteers attended a fire in Blidworth to provide meals and refreshments to the emergency services responding to the incident.**





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## **August 2022: Congregation members supported RRT who provided for the emergency services at a fire in Ranskill**

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022 Nottingham RRT received a call mid afternoon requesting support for the fire crews and other emergency services who were in attendance at the large tyre fire in Ranskill which was later declared a 'major incident'. The large-scale fire, which could be seen for miles around involved over one thousand tyres and several diesel tanks.

Nottingham RRT were supported by Doncaster RRT and between the two teams 15 volunteers were on site by 6:30pm serving RRT's signature burger meals along with light snacks and hot and cold drinks. Throughout Friday evening RRT served over 120 burger meals.

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With the bulk of the RRT volunteers leaving site at 11:30pm, two team members remained on site during the night to continue to administer hot drinks and manage the distribution of the 150 grab bags containing sandwiches, cold drinks and light snacks for the fire crew shift change at 1am.

RRT were asked by the fire crews to continue to support throughout Saturday which involved serving 150 bacon and egg rolls for breakfast served at 7am and a burger lunch served just after 12pm, again serving 150 meals, with RRT standing down from site at 4pm. For the Sunday night shift change RRT left 150 further grab bags.

35 RRT volunteers from Doncaster and Nottingham were in attendance across the two days.

Matt Reavill, group manager at Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue shared a photo of RRT on social media and commented - "Fantastic provision and such friendly staff. Makes such a difference to crews working hard to be able to get some decent refreshments."

A selection of photos from the event are included below.





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**Matt Reavill**  
@Reavill\_Matt

Fantastic support from Rapid Relief team keeping crews fed and hydrated.



22:59 · 05 Aug 22 · [Twitter for iPhone](#)

13 Likes



**Matt Reavill** @Reavill\_Matt · 2d

Fantastic provision and such friendly staff.

Makes such a difference to crews working hard to be able to get some decent refreshments.

[@RRT\\_UK](#)

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## September 2022: 9 members of RRT at Head High Charity event in Derby

On Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Nottingham RRT were asked to be a part of Head High's Fundamental event at Derby Cathedral. The event was used to raise awareness about mental health and was attended by various charities and organisations that provide help and support to those suffering. 9 volunteers from Nottingham RRT attended, providing 150 signature RRT burger meals.

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## **September 2022: 11 members of RRT provided burger meal for those taking part in Emergency Services training exercise at Trent Barton Bus Depot in Langley Mill**

On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022 Nottingham RRT were pleased to have been a part of Exercise Ferrum Impentum, which was led by the East Midlands Ambulance Service as a training exercise for a terrorist attack. The training exercise was held at the Trent Barton bus station in Langley Mill.

Nottingham RRT arrived on site at 7am, and by 8:15am were serving BBQ cooked breakfast of bacon and sausage rolls, along with hot and cold drinks and other light refreshments.

Emergency crews included, East Midlands Ambulance Service including their HART (Hazardous Area Response Team), Nottinghamshire Police including their Police Drone team and armed response team and Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue.

In total there was approximately 120 emergency services and public volunteers taking part in the training exercise and RRT had 11 volunteers on site.

A selection of photos from the event are included below.





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## **November 2022: RRT volunteers provided breakfast to those taking part in a CEO Sleepout in Nottingham**

CEO Sleepout is a national campaign group that organises events for business owners, business leaders and senior executives from the business community to sleep out, one night of the year to help raise money towards tackling homelessness.

Nottingham CEO Sleepout was held overnight on Thursday 10th November and Friday 11th November 2022. Nottingham RRT were pleased to be able to support the CEO Sleepout again at the Notts County Football Club. Those that slept out were able to raise over £26,000.

Seven volunteers from the local team arrived at the football ground at 4:45am on Friday 11th November ready to serve a heart-warming breakfast for all those that had slept out on the pitch in the cold and wind!

In total we served over 35 hot bacon and sausage breakfast rolls, along with hot and cold drinks. One of the participants of the CEO sleepout thanked RRT on social media for "organising an awesome early breakfast."

A selection of photos from the event are included below.

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**November 2022: A further 5 members of the congregation were involved in food box packing as part of RRT's Operation 322 (support for Ukraine families)**



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**December 2022:** An RRT volunteer delivered a number of Early Bird Learning Kits and Cookie Dispensers to Rosslyn Park Primary and Nursery School in Nottingham.

**January 2023:** A further 5 members of the congregation were involved in food box packing as part of RRT's Operation 322 (support for Ukraine families)

**March 2023:** A further 10 members of the congregation were involved in food box packing as part of RRT's Operation 322 (support for Ukraine families)

**March 2023:** Congregation members provided breakfast meals for those taking part in the CEO Sleepout at Derby Cricket Club

On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Nottingham RRT provided breakfast at Derbyshire County Cricket club for the YMCA Sleep Easy event where people slept out overnight to raise money for homelessness.



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