

Charity Registration No: 1159231

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## **The Colville Gospel Hall Trust**

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**Report of the trustees and  
unaudited financial statements  
for the year ended 5th April 2023**

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**The Colville Gospel Hall Trust**  
**Reference and administrative details**  
**for the year ended 5th April 2023**

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**Charity name:** The Colville Gospel Hall Trust

**Registered charity number:** 1159231

**Trustees:**

Mr Robert J Evershed (resigned 3rd June 2023)

Mr Robert I Francis

Mr Timothy Francis (resigned 3rd June 2023)

Mr Robert J Hynd (Chair) (resigned 3rd June 2023)

Mr Graham J Temple (resigned 3rd June 2023)

Mr Edward Doling (appointed 3rd June 2023)

Mr Delwin M Pallister (appointed 3rd June 2023)

Mr Alfie Temple (appointed 3rd June 2023)

Mr Edward Tennent (appointed 3rd June 2023)

**Treasurer:** Mr Maurice E C Temple

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## **The Colville Gospel Hall Trust**

### **Report of the trustees for the year ended 5th April 2023**

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The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5th April 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 9 to 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 10th June 1997, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 12th August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 17th November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159231

##### **Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

The names of the Trustees who served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1. 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 (2022: £nil).

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

##### **Wider network**

The Trustees maintain informal links with similar Charities with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Charity. The Charity also maintains particular links with The Oulton 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 or procedures 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.

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### **Report of the trustees for the year ended 5th April 2023**

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#### **Public benefit**

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

#### **Main activities and achievements**

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

The Trust continues to open the hall to the congregation and visitors and encourages good works by the congregation which benefit the wider community, as described below.

The trustees have also established an Emergency Needs fund for the duration of the Covid-19 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 hall, 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 addition to street preaching, members of the congregation also provide support to those in need outside the community and a good number work with the Rapid Relief Team (RRT) charity. For more information see appendix for Outreach Report.

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### **Report of the trustees for the year ended 5th April 2023**

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#### **Spreading the Gospel Message and the life of a Christian contd.**

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:

1. 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)
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).
3. 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).
4. 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.
5. 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 sometimes received from other charitable trusts with complementary objectives.

#### **Financial review**

##### **Financial position**

In the year ended 5 April 2023, the Trust had a modest deficit of incoming resources over resources expended. This was due to the depreciation charge being a non cash item. Total voluntary income received this year was £87,518 compared to £84,492 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

##### **Reserves policy**

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain and have decided to ensure that there are enough reserves held to cover day to day expenditure and any urgent needs that may arise. The Trust has no employees and its regular outgoings are minimal. The congregation is kept regularly informed as to particular needs for funds, and other relevant matters and the Trustees aim to ensure that the Charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure, by raising a funds appeal to the congregation.

Free reserves at the year end were £167,266.

The trust is currently accumulating reserves with the view to supporting the Oulton Gospel Hall Trust in a project to construct a new Gospel Hall in North Lowestoft in the near future.

## The Colville Gospel Hall Trust

### Report of the trustees for the year ended 5th April 2023

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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 & Wales requires 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b) observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- c) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- e) 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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 Robert I Francis

8/11/2023  
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Date

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**Report to the trustees of The Colville Gospel Hall Trust on the financial statements for the year ended 5th April 2023 set out on pages 7 to 12.**

### **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 statement**

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.

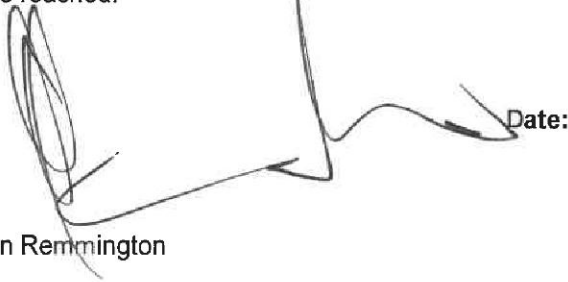
### **Independent examiner's statement**

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.

**Signed:**



**Date:**

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**Name:** Julian Remington

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**The Colville Gospel Hall Trust**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(including income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 5th April 2023**


	NOTES	Unrestricted Funds £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Incoming and endowments from:</b>						
<b>Donations and legacies:</b>						
Collections		-	-	-	-	-
Contributions from the congregation		22,481	10,819	-	33,300	40,915
Gift Aid donations		38,046	-	-	38,046	34,159
Other donations		6,404	-	-	6,404	581
Income tax refundable		9,512	-	-	9,512	8,540
Donated services	4.	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll giving		256	-	-	256	297
Legacies received		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Investment income and interest</b>						
Interest		708	-	-	708	29
<b>Other income</b>						
Grants received		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>77,407</b>	<b>10,819</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>88,226</b>	<b>84,521</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
<b>Charitable activities</b>						
Running of meeting halls	6.	57,752	-	-	57,752	52,476
Wider community outreach		-	-	-	-	-
Congregation support		-	2,625	-	2,625	24,150
Cost of donated services	4.	8,623	-	-	8,623	6,856
Transfers to affiliated trusts	5.	13,900	-	-	13,900	-
Other costs		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Governance and support costs</b>						
Legal & professional costs		3,315	-	-	3,315	1,250
Health and Safety		373	8,194	-	8,567	-
Independent Examiner's fee		810	-	-	810	828
Bank charges		84	-	-	84	84
<b>Total</b>		<b>84,857</b>	<b>10,819</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>95,676</b>	<b>85,644</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>- 7,450</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 7,450</b>	<b>- 1,123</b>
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>- 7,450</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 7,450</b>	<b>- 1,123</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
Funds at 6th April 2022		1,378,055	-	-	1,378,055	1,379,178
<b>Total funds at 5th April 2023</b>	8.	<b>1,370,605</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,370,605</b>	<b>1,378,055</b>

The notes on pages 9 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.

**The Colville Gospel Hall Trust**  
**Balance sheet**  
**As at 5th April 2023**

	NOTES	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible fixed assets	7.		1,203,339		1,220,486
			<u>1,203,339</u>		<u>1,220,486</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors:					
Debtors and sundry loans		9,551		8,559	
Prepayments & accrued income		3,080		2,631	
Cash at bank and in hand		156,483		149,760	
		<u>169,114</u>		<u>160,950</u>	
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:					
Accruals and deferred income		1,848		3,381	
		<u>1,848</u>		<u>3,381</u>	
Net current assets			167,266		157,569
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>1,370,605</u>		<u>1,378,055</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			-		-
<b>Net assets</b>		£	<u>1,370,605</u>	£	<u>1,378,055</u>
<b>Funds</b>					
Unrestricted income fund			1,370,605		1,378,055
Restricted funds			-		-
<b>Total Funds</b>	9.	£	<u>1,370,605</u>	£	<u>1,378,055</u>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of The Colville Gospel Hall Trust on 7 / 11 / 23 and signed on their behalf by



Mr Robert I Francis  
Trustee

## 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 The Colville 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. As there are no staff or offices the Trustees have agreed to allocate all such costs to Governance costs.

### 1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £500) 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 land	Not depreciated
Freehold buildings	2%- Straight line method
Temporary buildings	20%- Straight line method
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	10%- Straight line method

### 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 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.

**1. Accounting policies contd.**

**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**

Income	2023 £	2022 £
Donated services	-	-
	-	-

Expenditure	2023 £	2022 £
Oulton Gospel Hall Trust	8,623	6,856
	8,623	6,856

5 Grants awarded	2023 £	2022 £
Oulton Gospel Hall Trust	13,900	-
	13,900	-

6 Running of meeting halls	Meeting rooms £	Other charitable activities £	2023 £	2022 £
Repairs and maintenance of buildings	13,849	-	13,849	5,575
Recording equipment- replacement and maintenance	358	-	358	-
Grounds maintenance	3,900	-	3,900	3,962
Light and heat	8,125	-	8,125	8,755
Water rates	501	-	501	-
Telephone at hall	1,210	-	1,210	800
Conference	-	154	154	-
Insurance- Public liability	1,804	-	1,804	1,507
Legal & professional- specific to halls	-	-	-	6,827
Cleaning, first-aid and sundries	4,610	-	4,610	2,418
Sundry	-	-	-	-
Depreciation- Freehold property	21,281	-	21,281	21,281
Depreciation- Equipment	1,960	-	1,960	1,351
Profit/Loss on sale of assets	-	-	-	-
	57,598	154	57,752	52,476

## 7 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Property* and Refurbishment £	Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 6th April 2022	1,387,661	13,513	1,401,174
Disposals	-	-	-
Additions	-	6,094	6,094
At 5th April 2023	1,387,661	19,607	1,407,268
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 6th April 2022	171,948	8,740	180,688
Disposals	-	-	-
Charge for the year	21,281	1,960	23,241
At 5th April 2023	193,229	10,700	203,929
Net Book Value			
At 5th April 2023	1,194,432	8,907	1,203,339
At 6th April 2022	1,215,713	4,773	1,220,486

\* Land Registry title number is SK341108

## 8 Analysis of net assets between funds

### 8.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds £	Unrestricted Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	1,203,339	-	-	1,203,339
Currents assets	169,114	-	-	169,114
Current liabilities	1,848	-	-	1,848
Amounts falling due after more than one year	-	-	-	-
<b>Total funds</b>	1,370,605	-	-	1,370,605

### 8.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Unrestricted Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	1,220,486	-	-	1,220,486
Currents assets	160,950	-	-	160,950
Current liabilities	3,381	-	-	3,381
<b>Total funds</b>	1,378,055	-	-	1,378,055

## 9 Movement in funds

### 9.1 Current year

	Balance at 6 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gain and losses £	Balance at 5 April 2023 £
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Designated funds	-	10,819	10,819	-	-
Unrestricted funds	1,378,055	77,407	84,857	-	1,370,605
<b>Total funds</b>	1,378,055	77,407	84,857	-	1,370,605

**9 Movement in funds contd.**

*9.2 Prior year*

	Balance at 6 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gain and losses £	Balance at 5 April 2022 £
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Fund	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Designated funds	-	24,150	24,150	-	-
Unrestricted funds	1,379,178	60,371	61,494	-	1,378,055
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,379,178</b>	<b>60,371</b>	<b>61,494</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,378,055</b>

**10 Transactions with related parties**

R J Evershed, Trustee is a director of One Site Group Limited, from which The Colville Gospel Hall Trust made purchases totalling £8 (2022: £nil). Donations received from connected parties totalled £26,697 (2022: £20,094).

**11 Volunteers**

The Colville 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.

12 Full comparison of Statement of Financial Activities

	NOTES	Unrestricted Funds £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Incoming and endowments from:</b>					
<b>Donations and legacies:</b>					
Collections		-	-	-	-
Contributions from the congregation		16,765	24,150	-	40,915
Gift Aid donations		34,159	-	-	34,159
Other donations		581	-	-	581
Income tax refundable		8,540	-	-	8,540
Donated services	4.	-	-	-	-
Payroll giving		297	-	-	297
Legacies received		-	-	-	-
<b>Investment income and interest</b>					
Interest		29	-	-	29
<b>Other income</b>					
Grants received	5.	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		60,371	24,150	-	84,521
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Running of meeting halls	6.	52,476	-	-	52,476
Wider community outreach		-	-	-	-
Congregation support		-	24,150	-	24,150
Cost of donated services	4.	6,856	-	-	6,856
Transfers to affiliated trusts		-	-	-	-
Other costs		-	-	-	-
<b>Governance and support costs</b>					
Legal & professional costs		1,250	-	-	1,250
Health and Safety		-	-	-	-
Independent Examiner's fee		828	-	-	828
Bank charges		84	-	-	84
Depreciation- Office equipment (Admin)		-	-	-	-
Profit/Loss on sale of assets		-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		61,494	24,150	-	85,644
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		- 1,123	-	-	- 1,123
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		- 1,123	-	-	- 1,123
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		1,379,178	-	-	1,379,178
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		1,378,055	-	-	1,378,055

**Outreach Report**

In line with the scriptural exhortation, "As we have opportunity let us do good unto all men" Gal. 6:10, members of the Congregation continued with their "outreach" work much of which has been carried on for a long time.

**Spreading the Gospel Message**

We have preached most weekdays in the centre of Lowestoft for very many years and this was continued during the past year. Gospel Tracts with contact details and time of afternoon Gospel Services are normally given out by members of the Congregation at these open air preachings, as well as at other times.

As indicated in the main body of the Report, Bibles and an extensive range of other Christian reading material is on display at the Hall, to which visitors are free to help themselves. Members of the Congregation also gave away Bibles to their neighbours.

**Other Contact and Support to the wider community.**

Members of the congregation are always ready to help others in the wider community.

The RRT (Rapid Relief Team) charity is supported both actively and financially by a good number of the congregation. RRT has been helping schools with Early Bird Learning Packs which encourage good behaviour, mental wellbeing and general healthiness for young children as they start out on life's journey. RRT has also provided over 100 food box parcels to schools to distribute to families in need/poverty. RRT also helped the EACH charity (East Anglian Children's Hospice) with providing refreshments throughout the day for the volunteer walkers involved in the Pier to Pier event.

Many of the congregation are fully trained first-aiders and are always ready to provide help where needed and on a number of occasions have assisted in emergencies when members of the public have been taken ill suddenly or been involved in accidents.

In addition to the above a large number of the congregation regularly donate to charities that provide relief and help in the wider community. These charities include Crisis, Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, St John Ambulance, Royal National Lifeboat Institution, The Red Cross, Cancer Research, Great Ormond Street Hospital, The Christian Institute, East Anglian Children's Hospices, Kidney Research, Alzheimers Research UK, WaterAid.

Members of the congregation as employers are always willing to assist employees from the wider community in financial difficulty.