

HOLYHEAD ROAD GOSPEL HALL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1159423

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2014-12-01

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

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Activities

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

Activities: Charitable religious purposes connected with the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church

Classification

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

Geography

- Shropshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£207,870	£57,596	-	-
2024-04-05	£104,543	£53,499	-	-
2023-04-05	£32,803	£95,211	-	-
2022-04-05	£38,735	£49,740	-	-
2021-04-05	£63,220	£58,242	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
BRYAN ROBERT POCOCK		2004-03-02
Nicholas Wallach		2024-12-04
RICHARD ALLAN BLACKLEDGE		1982-06-18
ROBERT BLACKLEDGE		2004-03-02
Scott Plant		2019-12-17

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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2025
for
Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

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for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

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Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

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for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

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PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	Meeting Hall Holyhead Road Bicton Shrewsbury Shropshire SY3 8EF
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1159423
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Pace Accountants Noble House Eaton Road Hemel Hempstead Hertfordshire HP2 7UB
CHAIRMAN	R Blackledge
TREASURER	S Plant
BANKERS	Lloyds Bank plc 1 Pride Hill Shrewsbury Shropshire SY1 1DG

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 9-11 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

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Meetings

Meetings held at the Gospel hall would normally 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 30 and 350 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 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

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

This report includes some of the activities that we have been engaged in during 2024-25.

Gospel tracts and literature available from the Gospel Hall

The Trust maintains a stock and display of gospel tracts, literature and Bibles in the foyer of our main Gospel Hall and this fact is advertised on the sign board at the street entrance.

Other Activities

The Trust's main achievement this year has been the maintenance of Gospel Halls for public worship. The trust purchased some land and commenced the building of a new Gospel hall during the year.

In addition to street preaching, members of the congregation have worked with the Rapid Relief Team charity as detailed below:

The Rapid Relief Team is a separate charity that has a local team in Shrewsbury made up from our congregation members. To widen the scope of activity the team cooperate with the neighbouring team in Newtown, Powys. Our main hall is used to store some essential provisions and equipment that would be required if RRT are requested to support the emergency services working at an incident nearby.

Food packs

RRT teams made up of congregational members have distributed family food boxes to schools, hospitals and care homes and Care Kits were also given out.

Further plans for 2025-26

We are planning to continue the various initiatives in the new period in the new period and engage with our local parish council to identify potential areas that we can support in.

We will look for opportunities to support additional other local charities that need support from our willing team of volunteers.

We will be open to new suggestions from members of the congregation which we will review and put forward for approval at one of the regular trustee meetings.

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.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

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

Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs, based on its size and the level of its financial commitments. The Trust has no employees and its regular outgoings are minimal.

The Trustees are planning to build another gospel hall in the area and are increasing reserves to achieve this. 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 £227,185 [2024:£Nil].

Financial position

In the year ended 5 April 2025, the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended amounting to £150,274 [2024: £51,044].

The Trust commenced the building of another gospel hall during the year. The trust also received £200,000 for the sale of some surplus land relating to the building project which reduced the overall cost.

Total voluntary income received this year was £206,859 compared to £99,950 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18 June 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 1 December 2014 under Charity Registration Number 1159423.

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 2025 (2024: £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 trust also maintains particular links with the Severn 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27/01/26 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
S Plant - Trustee

Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report 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:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities 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 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.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust for the year ended 05 April 2025.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

BASIS OF 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.



Peter Allen

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Date: 2.2.2026

Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.25 Total funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		206,859	-	206,859	99,950
Investment income	2	1,011	-	1,011	4,593
Total		207,870	-	207,870	104,543
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Running Meeting Rooms	3	30,948	-	30,948	26,012
Depreciation		16,777	-	16,777	15,149
Other Activities		300	-	300	-
Donated Services		9,571	-	9,571	12,338
Total		57,596	-	57,596	53,499
NET INCOME		150,274	-	150,274	51,044
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,239,656	-	1,239,656	1,188,612
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,389,930	-	1,389,930	1,239,656

The notes form part of these financial statements


Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

Balance Sheet
5 April 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.25 Total funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	1,162,745	-	1,162,745	1,253,938
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	20,539	-	20,539	1,564
Cash at bank		208,002	-	208,002	36,885
		<u>228,541</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>228,541</u>	<u>38,449</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,356)	-	(1,356)	(52,731)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>227,185</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>227,185</u>	<u>(14,282)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,389,930</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,389,930</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>1,389,930</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,389,930</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	11			<u>1,389,930</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>1,389,930</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 27/01/26 and were signed on its behalf by:


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S Plant - Trustee


.....
R Blackledge - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Second edition of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and UK Generally Accepted 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).

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 Holyhead 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.

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.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £200) 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
Plant and Equipment	5% straight line

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.

Funds

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Funds

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.

Preparation of consolidated financial statements

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

Going concern

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

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. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	5.4.25 Total funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	1,011	-	1,011	4,593

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Grant funding of activities £	Support costs £	Totals £
Running Meeting Rooms	28,586	-	2,362	30,948
Depreciation	16,777	-	-	16,777
Other Activities	-	300	-	300
Donated Services	9,571	-	-	9,571
	<u>54,934</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>2,362</u>	<u>57,596</u>

Donated Services

During the year, services amounting to the value of £9,571 [2024 £12,338] were donated to the Severn Gospel Hall Trust.

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity.

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS - continued

Trustees' expenses

During the year a trustee Mr. Scott Plant was reimbursed for expenses amounting to £387 (2024: £188).

5. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2024: none).

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	99,950	-	99,950
Investment income	4,593	-	4,593
Total	104,543	-	104,543
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Running Meeting Rooms	26,012	-	26,012
Depreciation	15,149	-	15,149
Donated Services	12,338	-	12,338
Total	53,499	-	53,499
NET INCOME	51,044	-	51,044
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	1,188,612	-	1,188,612
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	1,239,656	-	1,239,656

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and Equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 6 April 2024	1,517,964	6,876	1,524,840
Additions	117,839	7,745	125,584
Disposals	(200,000)	-	(200,000)
At 5 April 2025	<u>1,435,803</u>	<u>14,621</u>	<u>1,450,424</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 6 April 2024	266,407	4,495	270,902
Charge for year	16,046	731	16,777
At 5 April 2025	<u>282,453</u>	<u>5,226</u>	<u>287,679</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 5 April 2025	<u>1,153,350</u>	<u>9,395</u>	<u>1,162,745</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>1,251,557</u>	<u>2,381</u>	<u>1,253,938</u>

Freehold property comprises:
Bicton (Title Nos SL139330, SL216765 & SL176934)

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.25 £	5.4.24 £
Gift Aid tax recoverable	19,094	-
Prepayments	1,445	1,564
	<u>20,539</u>	<u>1,564</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.25 £	5.4.24 £
Other creditors	1,356	52,731
	<u>1,356</u>	<u>52,731</u>

10. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	5.4.25 £	5.4.24 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Other loans	-	50,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>50,000</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,239,656	150,274	1,389,930
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,239,656</u>	<u>150,274</u>	<u>1,389,930</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	207,870	(57,596)	150,274
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>207,870</u>	<u>(57,596)</u>	<u>150,274</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,188,612	51,044	1,239,656
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>51,044</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	104,543	(53,499)	51,044
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>104,543</u>	<u>(53,499)</u>	<u>51,044</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,188,612	201,318	1,389,930
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>201,318</u>	<u>1,389,930</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	312,413	(111,095)	201,318
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>312,413</u>	<u>(111,095)</u>	<u>201,318</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year a Trustee Mr Rob Blackledge was repaid a loan that he had made to the Trust amounting to £25,000. This loan was made in 2024 and towards the purchase of land to build a new gospel hall.

Aggregate donations to the Trust received from Trustees and Related Parties during the year amounted to £69,055 (2024: £500).

13. VOLUNTEERS

Holyhead 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.

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- Hope House - Classics at the College Event
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RRT have distributed approximately 93 family food boxes to schools, hospitals and care homes. 152 Care Kits were also given out.

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Free reserves at the year end were £Nil [2023:£Nil].

Financial position

In the year ended 5 April 2024, the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended amounting to £51,044 [2023: Deficit (£62,408)]. Grants amounting to £35,000 were received from other trusts which contributed to the surplus.

The Trust purchased some land in order to build another gospel hall during the year. This used up a lot of the funds but there is still sufficient cash available to meet ongoing running costs.

Total voluntary income received this year was £99,950 compared to £31,200 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18 June 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 1 December 2014 under Charity Registration Number 1159423.

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 2024 (2023: £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 trust also maintains particular links with the Severn 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.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report 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:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities 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 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 03/02/25..... and signed on its behalf by:



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S Plant - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust for the year ended 05 April 2024.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

BASIS OF 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.

Peter J. Allen

Peter Allen

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Date: 3.2.2025

Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.24 Total funds £	5.4.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		99,950	-	99,950	31,200
Investment income	2	4,593	-	4,593	960
Other income	3	-	-	-	643
Total		104,543	-	104,543	32,803
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	4				
Running Meeting Rooms		26,012	-	26,012	28,438
Depreciation		15,149	-	15,149	13,741
Donated Services		12,338	-	12,338	10,091
Loss on the Disposal of Fixed Assets		-	-	-	42,941
Total		53,499	-	53,499	95,211
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		51,044	-	51,044	(62,408)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,188,612	-	1,188,612	1,251,020
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,239,656	-	1,239,656	1,188,612

The notes form part of these financial statements

Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

Balance Sheet
5 April 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.24 Total funds £	5.4.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	1,253,938	-	1,253,938	878,447
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	1,564	-	1,564	1,252
Cash at bank		36,885	-	36,885	311,450
		<u>38,449</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,449</u>	<u>312,702</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(52,731)	-	(52,731)	(2,537)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>(14,282)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(14,282)</u>	<u>310,165</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>1,239,656</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>	<u>1,188,612</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>1,239,656</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>	<u>1,188,612</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	12			1,239,656	1,188,612
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>1,239,656</u>	<u>1,188,612</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 03/02/25 and were signed on its behalf by:



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S Plant - Trustee



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R Blackledge - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Second edition of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and UK Generally Accepted 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).

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 Holyhead 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.

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.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £200) 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
Plant and Equipment	5% straight line

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.

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. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Preparation of consolidated financial statements

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

Going concern

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

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. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £	5.4.23 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	4,593	-	4,593	960

3. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £	5.4.23 Total funds £
Other income	-	-	-	643
		5.4.24		5.4.23
Rents Received		£		£
		-		643
Total		-		643

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs £	Totals £
Running Meeting Rooms	21,714	4,298	26,012
Depreciation	14,949	200	15,149
Donated Services	12,338	-	12,338
	49,001	4,498	53,499

Donated Services

During the year, services amounting to the value of £12,338 [2023 £10,091] were donated to the Severn Gospel Hall Trust.

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity.

Trustees' expenses

During the year a trustee Mr. Scott Plant was reimbursed for expenses amounting to £188 (2023: £779).

During the year a trustee Mr. Laurie Devenish was reimbursed for expenses amounting to £257 (2023: Nil).

6. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2023: none).

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	31,200	-	31,200
Investment income	960	-	960
Other income	643	-	643
Total	32,803	-	32,803
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Running Meeting Rooms	28,438	-	28,438
Depreciation	13,741	-	13,741
Donated Services	10,091	-	10,091
Loss on the Disposal of Fixed Assets	42,941	-	42,941
Total	95,211	-	95,211
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(62,408)	-	(62,408)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	1,251,020	-	1,251,020
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	1,188,612	-	1,188,612

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and Equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 6 April 2023	1,128,754	6,876	1,135,630
Additions	389,210	-	389,210
At 5 April 2024	1,517,964	6,876	1,524,840
DEPRECIATION			
At 6 April 2023	253,032	4,151	257,183
Charge for year	13,375	344	13,719
At 5 April 2024	266,407	4,495	270,902
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 5 April 2024	1,251,557	2,381	1,253,938
At 5 April 2023	875,722	2,725	878,447

Freehold property comprises:
Bicton (Title Nos SL139330, SL216765 & SL176934)

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.24	5.4.23
	£	£
Prepayments	1,564	1,252

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.24	5.4.23
	£	£
Other creditors	52,731	2,537

11. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	5.4.24	5.4.23
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Other loans	50,000	-

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,188,612	51,044	1,239,656
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>51,044</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
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Comparatives for movement in funds

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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>(62,408)</u>	<u>1,188,612</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

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Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,803	(95,211)	(62,408)
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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

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Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,251,020	(11,364)	1,239,656
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>(11,364)</u>	<u>1,239,656</u>

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Unrestricted funds			
General fund	137,346	(148,710)	(11,364)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>137,346</u>	<u>(148,710)</u>	<u>(11,364)</u>

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year a Trustee Mr Rob Blackledge made a loan to the Trust amounting to £25,000 [2023: Nil] towards the purchase of land to build a new gospel hall. The loan was repaid after the year end.

During the year a Trustee Mr Scott Plant made a donation to the Trust amounting to £500 [2023: Nil]

14. VOLUNTEERS

Holyhead 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.

HOLYHEAD ROAD GOSPEL HALL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1159423

Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2023
for
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TRUSTEES	R A Blackledge B Pocock L Devenish R Blackledge S Plant
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	Meeting Hall Holyhead Road Bicton Shrewsbury Shropshire SY3 8EF
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1159423
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Pace Accountants Noble House Eaton Road Hemel Hempstead Hertfordshire HP2 7UB
CHAIRMAN	R Blackledge
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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.

Main activities and achievements

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- 10 Food Boxes to Severndale Specialist Academy to support families
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- 4th June 2022, 110 BBQ Burger meals at the Hope House Childrens Hospice fund raising event.
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Free reserves at the year end were £310,165. Anticipated use of these funds includes:

- The purchase of a site for a further Gospel Hall
- Provision of a loan to a neighbouring Trust for the construction of a Gospel Hall.

Financial position

In the year ended 5 April 2023, the Trust had a modest surplus of incoming resources over resources expended amounting to £5,726 before non monetary items such as depreciation and loss on the disposal of fixed assets. When these items are taken into account the Trust ran a deficit amounting to £62,408.

Total voluntary income received this year was £31,200 compared to £31,199 in the previous year.

During the year the Trust sold a property which they had built on some land that was adjacent to the gospel hall. This land was valued at £250,000 but the trust received £280,000. This was less than the book value of the asset and a loss on disposal amounting to £42,941 is shown in the SOFA.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18 June 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 1 December 2014 under Charity Registration Number 1159423.

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 trust also maintains particular links with the Severn 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.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report 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:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities 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 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 03/01/24 and signed on its behalf by:



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S Plant - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust for the year ended 05 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 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.

Peter J. Allen

Peter Allen

Pace Accountants
Noble House
Eaton Road
Hemel Hempstead
Hertfordshire
HP2 7UB

Date: 4.1.2024

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.23 Total funds £	5.4.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		31,200	-	31,200	31,199
Investment income	2	960	-	960	-
Other income	3	643	-	643	7,536
Total		<u>32,803</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,803</u>	<u>38,735</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Running Gospel Hall Trusts	4	28,438	-	28,438	17,071
Depreciation		13,741	-	13,741	20,423
Other Activities		-	-	-	387
Donated Services		10,091	-	10,091	11,859
Loss on the Disposal of Fixed Assets		42,941	-	42,941	-
Total		<u>95,211</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>95,211</u>	<u>49,740</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(62,408)	-	(62,408)	(11,005)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,251,020	-	1,251,020	1,262,025
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>1,188,612</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1,188,612</u></u>	<u><u>1,251,020</u></u>

Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

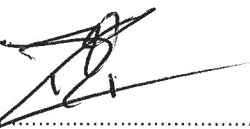
Balance Sheet
5 April 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.23 Total funds £	5.4.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	878,447	-	878,447	1,213,708
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	1,252	-	1,252	2,043
Cash at bank		311,450	-	311,450	36,440
		<u>312,702</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>312,702</u>	<u>38,483</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,537)	-	(2,537)	(1,171)
		<u>310,165</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>310,165</u>	<u>37,312</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>310,165</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>310,165</u>	<u>37,312</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	11			<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>1,188,612</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 03/01/24 and were signed on its behalf by:



S Plant - Trustee



R Blackledge - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Second edition of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and UK Generally Accepted 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).

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 Holyhead 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.

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.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £200) 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
Plant and Equipment	5% straight line

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.

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. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Preparation of consolidated financial statements

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

Going concern

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

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. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	5.4.23 Total funds £	5.4.22 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	960	-	960	-

3. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	5.4.23 Total funds £	5.4.22 Total funds £
Other income	643	-	643	7,536
		5.4.23 £ 643		5.4.22 £ 7,536
Rents Received				
Total		643		7,536

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs £	Totals £
Running Gospel Hall Trusts	24,245	4,193	28,438
Depreciation	13,741	-	13,741
Donated Services	10,091	-	10,091
Loss on the Disposal of Fixed Assets	42,941	-	42,941
	91,018	4,193	95,211

Donated Services

During the year, services amounting to the value of £10,091 [2022 £11,859] were donated to the Severn Gospel Hall Trust.

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity.

Trustees' expenses

During the year a trustee Mr. Scott Plant was reimbursed for expenses amounting to £779 (2022: None).

6. WAGES AND SALARIES

There are no employees (2022: none).

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	31,199	-	-	31,199
Other income	7,536	-	-	7,536
Total	38,735	-	-	38,735
EXPENDITURE ON				
Charitable activities				
Running Gospel Hall Trusts	17,071	-	-	17,071
Depreciation	20,423	-	-	20,423
Other Activities	387	-	-	387
Donated Services	11,859	-	-	11,859
Total	49,740	-	-	49,740
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(11,005)	-	-	(11,005)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	1,262,025	-	-	1,262,025
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	1,251,020	-	-	1,251,020

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and Equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 6 April 2022	1,463,983	6,876	1,470,859
Disposals	(335,229)	-	(335,229)
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At 5 April 2023	1,128,754	6,876	1,135,630
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DEPRECIATION			
At 6 April 2022	253,343	3,808	257,151
Charge for year	13,397	343	13,740
Eliminated on disposal	(13,708)	-	(13,708)
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At 5 April 2023	253,032	4,151	257,183
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 5 April 2023	875,722	2,725	878,447
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At 5 April 2022	1,210,640	3,068	1,213,708
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Freehold property comprises:
Bicton (Title Nos SL139330, SL216765 & SL176934)

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.23	5.4.22
	£	£
Prepayments	1,252	2,043
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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.23	5.4.22
	£	£
Other creditors	2,537	1,171
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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,251,020	(62,408)	1,188,612
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TOTAL FUNDS	1,251,020	(62,408)	1,188,612
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Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,803	(95,211)	(62,408)
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TOTAL FUNDS	32,803	(95,211)	(62,408)
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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,262,025	(11,005)	1,251,020
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,262,025</u>	<u>(11,005)</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	38,735	(49,740)	(11,005)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>38,735</u>	<u>(49,740)</u>	<u>(11,005)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,262,025	(73,413)	1,188,612
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,262,025</u>	<u>(73,413)</u>	<u>1,188,612</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	71,538	(144,951)	(73,413)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>71,538</u>	<u>(144,951)</u>	<u>(73,413)</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Trust sold a building with planning permission to be used as a shop to a company Bicton Developments of whom the son of Trustee Mr Richard Blackledge and the brother of Trustee Mr Robert Blackledge is a director and shareholder. The price paid was £280,000. The amount paid was higher than the valuation for Open Market Capital purposes of £250,000.

During the year the Trust received rent amounting to £643 [2022 £7,536] from a company 2C Trading Limited of which two the sons of Trustee Mr Richard Blackledge and two of the the brothers of Trustee Mr Robert Blackledge were directors and one of the sons and brother was a shareholder.

13. VOLUNTEERS

Holyhead 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.

HOLYHEAD ROAD GOSPEL HALL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1159423

Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2022
for
Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

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for the Year Ended 5 April 2022

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Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

Reference and Administrative Details
for the Year Ended 5 April 2022

TRUSTEES	R A Blackledge B Pocock L Devenish R Blackledge S Plant
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	Meeting Hall Holyhead Road Bicton Shrewsbury Shropshire SY3 8EF
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1159423
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Pace Accountants Noble House Eaton Road Hemel Hempstead Hertfordshire HP2 7UB
CHAIRMAN	R Blackledge
TREASURER	S Plant
BANKERS	Lloyds Bank plc 1 Pride Hill Shrewsbury Shropshire SY1 1DG

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Trust has the following charitable purposes:

1. 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") whose core doctrine and whose proper practices in furtherance of some of the aspects of that core doctrine ("Faith in Practice") is summarised in the two Schedules to the New Trust Deed which is contained in the Second Schedule to the Deed of Variation dated 12th August 2014.
2. Any other charitable purposes connected with Brethren

Significant activities

The Trust provides and maintains gospel halls for the religious activities of Christians often referred to as 'Brethren'. Details of the origins, teachings and way of life of the Brethren can be found on their website - www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org.

Meetings held at these gospel halls include the Lord's Supper (Communion), Gospel preachings, Bible readings and Bible addresses. Depending on the particular meeting, between 35 and 320 people normally attend these occasions. There is a structured weekly schedule of meetings held in one or more of the gospel halls.

Spreading the Gospel Message

The Gospel Hall is a base from which a large number of preachers operate to spread the Christian gospel, in word and deed. Gospel tracts are provided free of charge by the Trust to such preachers. Many of them also preach the Christian gospel on the streets of Shrewsbury most weeks of the year.

In addition to street preaching, the trust also keeps in contact with other institutions to provide gospel tracts and bibles as required. The Trust also operates a programme of providing regular packs of nutritious food and gospel literature to homeless and needy persons through local charities or homeless societies.

Visitors

The services and meetings are attended by the regular congregation and many of the services are open to other visitors who are properly disposed. The notice board outside the Hall welcomes visitors and displays times of Gospel Preachings along with a telephone number for those seeking further information or help. Gospel Tracts, which are distributed daily, also display this information.

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

Public benefit

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The life of a Christian

The following points are an extract from Schedule 1 of the Trust Deed. They outline the way of life of the Brethren as supported by the Holy Scriptures and how it contributes to public benefit;

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 sought through gifts and donations from the congregation. Grants are sometimes received from other charitable trusts with congruent objectives. Gift aid is also claimed on relevant gifts.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable Activities

The Covid-19 pandemic curtailed the normal activities of the Trust. During the times of the lockdown and other restriction the Gospel Halls under the control of the Trust were not used for congregational meetings, and were only used for marriages and burials in accordance with the government guidelines. The Trust continued to maintain the halls.

Since the government restrictions were lifted the halls have been used by the congregation.

The congregation is kept regularly informed as to particular needs for funds, and other relevant matters.

Public Benefit and Outreach 2021-22

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

This report includes some of the activities that we have been engaged in during 2021-22..

Gospel tracts and literature available from the Gospel Hall

The Trust maintains a stock and display of gospel tracts, literature and Bibles in the foyer of our main Gospel Hall and this fact is advertised on the sign board at the street entrance.

Food packs

We have distributed emergency food boxes to schools, hospitals and care homes. Approx. 70 were delivered.

Congregational Support

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. The fund has since been wound up now the lockdown restrictions have been lifted.

Supporting the Rapid Relief Team charity

The Rapid Relief Team is a separate charity that has a local team in Shrewsbury made up from our congregation members. To widen the scope of activity the team cooperate with the neighbouring team in Newtown, Powys. Our main hall is used to store some essential provisions and equipment that would be required if RRT are requested to support the emergency services working at an incident nearby.

RRT members have also been busy during the year taking part in the following activities.

- Litter picking in Bicton Village.
- Held 5 Red Tent events locally. These were held at the Grange School, Hope House, Macmillan Cancer Support and the Headway Centre.
- Served over 800 meals and supplied 69 Food boxes, to local schools, food banks and homeless charities.
- Supplying the Grange Primary School with Early Bird Learning Kits and RRT Breakfast Bars.

Further plans for 2022-23

We are planning to continue the various initiatives in the new period now the Covid-19 pandemic restrictions are lifted.

We will look for opportunities to support additional other local charities that need support from our willing team of volunteers.

We will be open to new suggestions from members of the congregation which we will review and put forward for approval at one of the regular trustee meetings.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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 Trust aims to hold sufficient funds in a current account to cover day to day expenditure, plus an allowance for any urgent repairs and capital expenses that may arise. 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 £37,312. Anticipated use of these funds includes:

- The purchase of a site for a further Gospel Hall
- Provision of a loan to a neighbouring Trust for the construction of a Gospel Hall.
- Construction of a new community building on land adjacent to the existing Hall.

Financial position

In the year ended 5 April 2022 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended amounting to £9,418 before non-monetary items (depreciation).

Total voluntary income received this year was £31,199 compared to £61,970 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

Expenses relating to the upkeep of Gospel Halls owned by The Severn Gospel Hall Trust amounting to £11,859 were paid during the year and are shown as donated services in the accounts.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

From 18th March 2020, Holyhead 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 the Gospel Hall again once the general lockdown is lifted and it is deemed safe to do so. The trustees do not consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will have any effect on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust is constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18th June 1982, amended by various Deeds and most recently by Deed of Variation dated 12th August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 01st December 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159423.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees who have 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 2022 (2021: £nil).

Trustees are selected according to their experience in specialised fields and are expected to use that experience in furthering the objects of the Trust. Checks are made to ensure that there are no legal or other barriers to their appointment. New Trustees are nominated by the existing trustees and appointed by unanimous resolution of the Congregation. Incoming Trustees are made fully aware of their responsibilities by the existing Trustees who ensure that new Trustees read the Trust Deed and the relevant guidance for trustees published by the Charity Commission.

Wider network

The Trustees maintain informal links with Trustees of similar Trusts with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Trust. The Trust may pay invoices for Severn Gospel Hall Trust (Charity no 1171921), a Trust in the local area of similar purposes.

The trust also maintains particular links with the Severn Gospel Hall Trust, with which it shares members of its congregation.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

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.

All transactions have been reviewed and approved by two trustees.

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 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, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

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

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

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27/01/23 and signed on its behalf by:



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S Plant - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 5 April 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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.

Peter J Allen

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Pace Accountants
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Date: 1.02.2023

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.22 Total funds £	5.4.21 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies		31,199	-	-	31,199	61,970
Other income	2	7,536	-	-	7,536	1,250
Total		38,735	-	-	38,735	63,220
EXPENDITURE ON						
Charitable activities						
Running Gospel Hall Trusts	3	17,071	-	-	17,071	14,052
Depreciation		20,423	-	-	20,423	20,478
Other Activities		387	-	-	387	10,500
Donated Services		11,859	-	-	11,859	13,212
Total		49,740	-	-	49,740	58,242
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(11,005)	-	-	(11,005)	4,978
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		1,262,025	-	-	1,262,025	1,257,047
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,251,020	-	-	1,251,020	1,262,025

Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

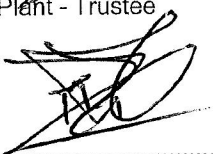
Balance Sheet

5 April 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.22 Total funds £	5.4.21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	6	1,213,708	-	-	1,213,708	1,236,832
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	7	2,043	-	-	2,043	1,653
Cash at bank		36,440	-	-	36,440	24,655
		<u>38,483</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,483</u>	<u>26,308</u>
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,171)	-	-	(1,171)	(1,115)
		<u>37,312</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,312</u>	<u>25,193</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS						
		<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>1,262,025</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES						
		<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>1,262,025</u>
NET ASSETS						
		<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>1,262,025</u>
FUNDS						
Unrestricted funds	9				1,251,020	1,262,025
TOTAL FUNDS						
					<u>1,251,020</u>	<u>1,262,025</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 27/01/23 and were signed on its behalf by:


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S Plant - Trustee


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R Blackledge - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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 costs incurred.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- 2% on cost
Plant and Equipment	- 5% on cost

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.

Fund accounting

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.

The charity 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).

Going concern

From 18th March 2020, Holyhead 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 Trust has started using the gospel halls again now government restrictions have ended.

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. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	5.4.22 Total funds £	5.4.21 Total funds £
Other income	7,536	-	7,536	1,250
		5.4.22 £		5.4.21 £
Rents Received		7,536		
Bank Interest				1,250
Total		7,536		1,250

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs £	Totals £
Running Gospel Hall Trusts	12,445	4,626	17,071
Depreciation	20,423	-	20,423
Other Activities	387	-	387
Donated Services	11,859	-	11,859
	45,114	4,626	49,740

Donated Services

During the year, services amounting to the value of £11,859 [2021 £13,212] were donated to the Severn Gospel Hall Trust.

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2022 nor for the year ended 5 April 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5 April 2022 nor for the year ended 5 April 2021.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	50,770	11,200	-	61,970
Other income	1,250	-	-	1,250
Total	52,020	11,200	-	63,220
EXPENDITURE ON				
Charitable activities				
Running Gospel Hall Trusts	14,052	-	-	14,052
Depreciation	20,478	-	-	20,478
Other Activities	-	10,500	-	10,500
Donated Services	13,212	-	-	13,212

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
Total	47,742	10,500	-	58,242
NET INCOME	4,278	700	-	4,978
Transfers between funds	700	(700)	-	-
Net movement in funds	4,978	-	-	4,978
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	1,257,047	-	-	1,257,047
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	1,262,025	-	-	1,262,025

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and Equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 6 April 2021	1,466,683	6,876	1,473,559
Additions	(2,700)	-	(2,700)
At 5 April 2022	1,463,983	6,876	1,470,859
DEPRECIATION			
At 6 April 2021	233,263	3,464	236,727
Charge for year	20,080	344	20,424
At 5 April 2022	253,343	3,808	257,151
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 5 April 2022	1,210,640	3,068	1,213,708
At 5 April 2021	1,233,420	3,412	1,236,832

Freehold property comprises:
Bicton (Title Nos SL139330, SL216765 & SL176934)

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		5.4.22	5.4.21
		£	£
Prepayments		2,043	1,653
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		5.4.22	5.4.21
		£	£
Other creditors		1,171	1,115
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			
	At 6.4.21	Net movement in funds	At 5.4.22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,262,025	(11,005)	1,251,020
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,262,025</u>	<u>(11,005)</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	38,735	(49,740)	(11,005)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>38,735</u>	<u>(49,740)</u>	<u>(11,005)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.20	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 5.4.21
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,257,047	4,278	700	1,262,025
Designated Fund	-	700	(700)	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	1,257,047	4,978	-	1,262,025
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,257,047</u>	<u>4,978</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,262,025</u>

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	52,020	(47,742)	4,278
Designated Fund	11,200	(10,500)	700
	<u>63,220</u>	<u>(58,242)</u>	<u>4,978</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>63,220</u>	<u>(58,242)</u>	<u>4,978</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 5.4.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,257,047	(6,727)	700	1,251,020
Designated Fund	-	700	(700)	-
	<u>1,257,047</u>	<u>(6,027)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,257,047</u>	<u>(6,027)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,251,020</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	90,755	(97,482)	(6,727)
Designated Fund	11,200	(10,500)	700
	<u>101,955</u>	<u>(107,982)</u>	<u>(6,027)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>101,955</u>	<u>(107,982)</u>	<u>(6,027)</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5 April 2022.

HOLYHEAD ROAD GOSPEL HALL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1159423

Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2021
for
Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

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Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

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for the Year Ended 5 April 2021

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Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

Reference and Administrative Details
for the Year Ended 5 April 2021

TRUSTEES	R A Blackledge B Pocock L Devenish R Blackledge S Plant
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	Meeting Hall Holyhead Road Bicton Shrewsbury Shropshire SY3 8EF
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1159423
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Pace Accountants Noble House Eaton Road Hemel Hempstead Hertfordshire HP2 7UB
CHAIRMAN	R Blackledge
TREASURER	S Plant
BANKERS	Lloyds Bank plc 1 Pride Hill Shrewsbury Shropshire SY1 1DG

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Trust has the following charitable purposes:

1. 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") whose core doctrine and whose proper practices in furtherance of some of the aspects of that core doctrine ("Faith in Practice") is summarised in the two Schedules to the New Trust Deed which is contained in the Second Schedule to the Deed of Variation dated 12th August 2014.
2. Any other charitable purposes connected with Brethren

Significant activities

The Trust provides and maintains gospel halls for the religious activities of Christians often referred to as 'Brethren'. Details of the origins, teachings and way of life of the Brethren can be found on their website - www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org.

Meetings held at these gospel halls include the Lord's Supper (Communion), Gospel preachings, Bible readings and Bible addresses. Depending on the particular meeting, between 20 and 750 people normally attend these occasions. There is a structured weekly schedule of meetings held in one or more of the gospel halls.

Spreading the Gospel Message

The Gospel Hall is a base from which a large number of preachers operate to spread the Christian gospel, in word and deed. Gospel tracts are provided free of charge by the Trust to such preachers. Many of them also preach the Christian gospel on the streets of Shrewsbury most weeks of the year.

In addition to street preaching, the trust also keeps in contact with prison chaplains to provide gospel tracts as required. The Trust also operates a programme of providing regular packs of nutritious food and gospel literature to homeless and needy persons through local charities or homeless societies.

Visitors

The services and meetings are attended by the regular congregation and many of the services are open to other visitors who are properly disposed. The notice board outside the Hall welcomes visitors and displays times of Gospel Preachings along with a telephone number for those seeking further information or help. Gospel Tracts, which are distributed daily, also display this information.

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

Public benefit

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The life of a Christian

The following points are an extract from Schedule 1 of the Trust Deed. They outline the way of life of the Brethren as supported by the Holy Scriptures and how it contributes to public benefit;

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 sought through gifts and donations from the congregation. Grants are sometimes received from other charitable trusts with congruent objectives. Gift aid is also claimed on relevant gifts.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable Activities

The Covid-19 pandemic curtailed the normal activities of the Trust. During the times of the lockdown and other restriction the Gospel Halls under the control of the Trust were not used for congregational meetings, and were only used for marriages and burials in accordance with the government guidelines. The Trust continued to maintain the halls.

The congregation is kept regularly informed as to particular needs for funds, and other relevant matters.

Public Benefit and Outreach 2020-21

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

This report includes some of the activities that we have been engaged in during 2020-21..

Gospel tracts and literature available from the Gospel Hall

The Trust maintains a stock and display of gospel tracts, literature and Bibles in the foyer of our main Gospel Hall and this fact is advertised on the sign board at the street entrance.

Food packs

We have distributed emergency food boxes to schools, hospitals and care homes. Approx. 60 were delivered.

Congregational Support

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.

Supporting the Rapid Relief Team charity

The Rapid Relief Team is a separate charity that has a local team in Shrewsbury made up from our congregation members. To widen the scope of activity the team cooperate with the neighbouring team in Newtown, Powys. Our main hall is used to store some essential provisions and equipment that would be required if RRT are requested to support the emergency services working at an incident nearby.

RRT members have also been busy during the year taking part in the following activities.

- Litter picking at Grange Bank and Cleaning Bus Shelters in Bicton Village

Three other events were cancelled during this period.

Further plans for 2021-22

We are planning to continue the various initiatives in the new period once the Covid-19 pandemic restrictions are lifted.

We will look for opportunities to support additional other local charities that need support from our willing team of volunteers.

We will be open to new suggestions from members of the congregation which we will review and put forward for approval at one of the regular trustee meetings.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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 Trust aims to hold sufficient funds in a current account to cover day to day expenditure, plus an allowance for any urgent repairs and capital expenses that may arise. 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 £25,193. Anticipated use of these funds includes:

- The purchase of a site for a further Gospel Hall
- Provision of a loan to a neighbouring Trust for the construction of a Gospel Hall.
- Construction of a new community building on land adjacent to the existing Hall.

Financial position

In the year ended 5 April 2021 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended amounting to £25,456 before non-monetary items (depreciation).

Total voluntary income received this year was £61,970 compared to £31,200 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

Expenses relating to the upkeep of Gospel Halls owned by The Severn Gospel Hall Trust amounting to £13,212 were paid during the year and are shown as donated services in the accounts.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

From 18th March 2020, Holyhead 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 the Gospel Hall again once the general lockdown is lifted and it is deemed safe to do so. The trustees do not consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will have any effect on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust is constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18th June 1982, amended by various Deeds and most recently by Deed of Variation dated 12th August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 01st December 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159423.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees who have 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 2021 (2020: £nil).

Trustees are selected according to their experience in specialised fields and are expected to use that experience in furthering the objects of the Trust. Checks are made to ensure that there are no legal or other barriers to their appointment. New Trustees are nominated by the existing trustees and appointed by unanimous resolution of the Congregation. Incoming Trustees are made fully aware of their responsibilities by the existing Trustees who ensure that new Trustees read the Trust Deed and the relevant guidance for trustees published by the Charity Commission.

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Holyhead Road Gospel Hall Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.21 Total funds £	5.4.20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies		50,770	11,200	-	61,970	31,200
Other income	2	1,250	-	-	1,250	19
Total		52,020	11,200	-	63,220	31,219
EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities						
Running Gospel Hall Trusts		14,052	-	-	14,052	21,634
Depreciation		20,478	-	-	20,478	13,942
Other Activities		-	10,500	-	10,500	-
Donated Services		13,212	-	-	13,212	5,808
Total		47,742	10,500	-	58,242	41,384
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		4,278	700	-	4,978	(10,165)
Transfers between funds	8	700	(700)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		4,978	-	-	4,978	(10,165)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		1,257,047	-	-	1,257,047	1,267,212
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,262,025	-	-	1,262,025	1,257,047

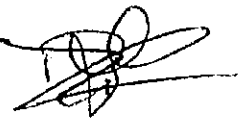
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Balance Sheet
5 April 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted fund £	5.4.21 Total funds £	5.4.20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	5	1,236,832	-	-	1,236,832	930,535
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	6	1,653	-	-	1,653	963
Cash at bank		24,655	-	-	24,655	326,616
		<u>26,308</u>	-	-	<u>26,308</u>	<u>327,579</u>
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(1,115)	-	-	(1,115)	(1,067)
		<u>25,193</u>	-	-	<u>25,193</u>	<u>326,512</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS						
		<u>25,193</u>	-	-	<u>25,193</u>	<u>326,512</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES						
		<u>1,262,025</u>	-	-	<u>1,262,025</u>	<u>1,257,047</u>
NET ASSETS						
		<u><u>1,262,025</u></u>	-	-	<u><u>1,262,025</u></u>	<u><u>1,257,047</u></u>
FUNDS						
Unrestricted funds	8				<u>1,262,025</u>	<u>1,257,047</u>
TOTAL FUNDS						
					<u><u>1,262,025</u></u>	<u><u>1,257,047</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 03/12/21 and were signed on its behalf by:


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S Plant - Trustee


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R Blackledge - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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 costs incurred.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- 2% on cost
Plant and Equipment	- 5% on cost

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.

Fund accounting

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.

The charity 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).

Going concern

From 18th March 2020, Holyhead 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. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	5.4.21 Total funds £	5.4.20 Total funds £
Other income	1,250	-	1,250	19
		5.4.21 £		5.4.20 £
Rents Received		1,250		
Bank Interest				19
Total		1,250		19

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2021 nor for the year ended 5 April 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5 April 2021 nor for the year ended 5 April 2020.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	31,200	-	-	31,200
Other income	19	-	-	19
Total	31,219	-	-	31,219
EXPENDITURE ON				
Charitable activities				
Running Gospel Hall Trusts	21,634	-	-	21,634
Depreciation	13,942	-	-	13,942
Donated Services	5,808	-	-	5,808
Total	41,384	-	-	41,384
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(10,165)	-	-	(10,165)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	1,267,212	-	-	1,267,212
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	1,257,047	-	-	1,257,047

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and Equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 6 April 2020	1,139,909	6,876	1,146,785
Additions	326,774	-	326,774
At 5 April 2021	1,466,683	6,876	1,473,559
DEPRECIATION			
At 6 April 2020	213,130	3,120	216,250
Charge for year	20,133	344	20,477
At 5 April 2021	233,263	3,464	236,727
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 5 April 2021	1,233,420	3,412	1,236,832
At 5 April 2020	926,779	3,756	930,535

Freehold property comprises:
Bicton (Title Nos SL139330, SL216765 & SL176934)

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.21 £	5.4.20 £
Prepayments	1,653	963

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.21 £	5.4.20 £
Trade creditors	-	1
Other creditors	1,115	1,066
	1,115	1,067

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 5.4.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,257,047	4,278	700	1,262,025
Designated Fund	-	700	(700)	-
	1,257,047	4,978	-	1,262,025
TOTAL FUNDS	1,257,047	4,978	-	1,262,025

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	52,020	(47,742)	4,278
Designated Fund	11,200	(10,500)	700
	<u>63,220</u>	<u>(58,242)</u>	<u>4,978</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>63,220</u>	<u>(58,242)</u>	<u>4,978</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,267,212	(10,165)	1,257,047
	<u>1,267,212</u>	<u>(10,165)</u>	<u>1,257,047</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,267,212</u>	<u>(10,165)</u>	<u>1,257,047</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	31,219	(41,384)	(10,165)
	<u>31,219</u>	<u>(41,384)</u>	<u>(10,165)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>31,219</u>	<u>(41,384)</u>	<u>(10,165)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 5.4.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,267,212	(5,887)	700	1,262,025
Designated Fund	-	700	(700)	-
	<u>1,267,212</u>	<u>(5,187)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,262,025</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,267,212</u>	<u>(5,187)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,262,025</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	83,239	(89,126)	(5,887)
Designated Fund	11,200	(10,500)	700
	<u>94,439</u>	<u>(99,626)</u>	<u>(5,187)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>94,439</u>	<u>(99,626)</u>	<u>(5,187)</u>

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5 April 2021.