

Charity Registration No: 1159526

Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust

**Report of the trustees and
unaudited financial statements
for the year ended 5th April 2021**

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Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust
Reference and administrative details
for the year ended 5th April 2021

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Registered charity number: 1159526

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Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust

Report of the trustees for the year ended 5th April 2021

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5th April 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 9 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust is an unincorporated trust constituted by Deed of Trust dated 17th April 1982, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 5th August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 8th December 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159526.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The names of 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).

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

Wider network

The Trustees maintain informal links with Trustees of similar Trusts with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Trust.

The charity also maintains particular links with the Inglemire Gospel Hall Trust with which it shares members of its congregation.

Risk management

The Trustees have identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and confirm that they have established systems or procedures to manage and mitigate those risks.

Objectives and activities

Objectives and aims

The trust has the following charitable purposes:

The charitable purposes of the Charity are the advancement of the Christian religion for the public benefit, including by the carrying on of the service of God in accordance with the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Bible as followed by those Christians forming part of the world-wide fellowship known as the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church (the "Brethren") and any other charitable purposes connected with Brethren. The core doctrine of the Brethren and proper practices in furtherance of certain aspects of doctrine are summarised in two schedules to the Trust Deed.

Public benefit

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

Main activities and achievements

The Trust provides and maintains three Gospel halls where religious meetings are held by the local Brethren community. Details of the origins, teachings and way of life of the Brethren can be found on the website - www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org and in the schedules to the Trust Deed.

The trustees have also established an Emergency Needs fund for the duration of the current pandemic and any resultant economic downturn. This is providing limited financial assistance by the way of grocery vouchers to households, who have experienced a recent and significant decrease in income due to the pandemic, such that it is likely to impact on the health and/or welfare of members of the household. The trust has appointed a Local Welfare Panel to manage the application process and to administer the vouchers to qualifying applicants.

Plans for future periods

The Trust plans to continue all the current activities.

From 18th March 2020, Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust ceased using the gospel halls, which it operates. This was as a result of the global COVID-19 pandemic and the general lockdown imposed by the government on 23rd March 2020. The Trust aims to use these Gospel Halls again once the general lockdown is lifted and it is deemed safe to do so. The trustees do not consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will have any effect on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern.

Meetings

Meetings held at the gospel hall include the Lord's Supper (Communion), Gospel preachings, Bible readings and Bible addresses. There is a structured weekly schedule of meetings and, depending on the particular meeting, between 50 and 450 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 Melton West Gospel hall and visitors are free to help themselves.

Spreading the Gospel message and the life of a Christian

The Gospel halls are a base from which the regular congregation and others who attend the meetings are encouraged to spread the Christian Gospel, in word and deed.

As mentioned above, 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.

Spreading the Gospel message and the life of a Christian contd.

In addition to street preaching, members of the congregation engaged in several litter picking activities that were organised by the RRT, a separate charity, with the support of the Trust. These events are usually carried out in areas where our meeting halls are located or where regular members of the congregation live. Representatives of the trustees met with local councillors at several parish council meetings offering financial and practical support to local causes. The Trust also established contact with a local resident's association in the area of the main gospel hall and we will be working with this group to support them in the activities they undertake for the good of the local wider community. A number of home visits to the infirm and elderly were also undertaken to spread the Gospel and encourage persons in their faith.

In carrying out this work, the congregation considers itself to be living out its faith in practice, as particularly exemplified in the following extract from the schedule to the Trust Deed on living a Christian life:

1. We seek and are encouraged to live exemplary lives in all our relationships with others in the wider community (including former Brethren), in accordance with the teachings of Holy Scripture (1 Tim 2:2)
2. We regularly go out from our homes to preach on the streets, to distribute Christian literature and engage with the wider community (including former Brethren) in order to present eternal salvation, available to all men by faith in Jesus Christ. (2 Tim 4:2).
3. We seek as members of the public to lead Christian lives as husbands and wives, parents, children, employers, employees and neighbours. (Col 3:22-25, Col 4:1).
4. The preservation and protection of the family unit is fundamental and children are prized as a blessing from God. (Psalm 127:3-5). The elderly are valued members of the community, for whom both their family and the wider community are expected to care.
5. Holy Scripture commands us to be good neighbours to others, and deal with all other people (including former Brethren) openly, honestly and fairly and consistent with these principles, we should give our time, talents and money to assist those in need in the wider community, in so far as reasonable given our abilities and our available resources. (Matt 7:12, Matt 22:39, Eph 4:28).

Funding

Funding is sought through gifts from the congregation and Gift Aid is claimed on eligible donations. Funding is sometimes received from other charitable trusts with complementary objectives.

Financial review

Financial position

In the year ended 5 April 2021 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended. Total voluntary income received this year was £133,127 compared to £214,436 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs, based on its size and the level of its financial commitments. The Trust has no employees and its regular outgoings are minimal. However it is noted that in this accounting period there is an increase in the reserves held by the Trust, this trend is expected to continue also into the 2021/22 period as the Trust actively progresses negotiations over a 5th meeting hall site. This increase is exceptional however and once the project is complete, the Trustees will adopt their normal policy of maintaining no significant reserves. 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 £256,354.

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

- a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b) observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- c) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) 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.

All transactions have been reviewed and approved by two trustees.

On behalf of the board:

Charles Arnett
Trustee

Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Report to the trustees of Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust on the financial statements for the year ended 5th April 2021 set out on pages 7 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from the 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 financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

Name: Julian Remmington

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Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust
Statement of financial activities
(including income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 5th April 2021

	NOTES	Unrestricted Funds £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Incoming and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies:						
Collections		-	-	-	-	-
Contributions from the congregation		42,318	11,200	-	53,518	35,246
Gift Aid donations		9,910	-	-	9,910	14,084
Other donations		62,840	-	-	62,840	153,320
Income tax refundable		2,523	-	-	2,523	3,875
Donated services	4.	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll giving		4,336	-	-	4,336	7,096
Grants received	5.	-	-	-	-	815
Legacies received		-	-	-	-	-
Investment income and interest						
Bank Interest		-	-	-	-	-
Other income						
Interments		7,500	-	-	7,500	4,500
Total		129,427	11,200	-	140,627	218,936
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Running of meeting halls	6.	63,881	-	-	63,881	73,179
Wider community outreach		75	-	-	75	398
Congregation support		-	4,950	-	4,950	-
Interment expenses		772	-	-	772	7,075
Cost of donated services	4.	4,133	-	-	4,133	4,491
Transfers to affiliated trusts		-	-	-	-	393,603
Other costs		-	-	-	-	859
Governance						
Computer costs		-	-	-	-	-
Postage, print and stationery		-	-	-	-	-
Legal & professional costs		1,830	-	-	1,830	1,634
Independent Examiner's fee		1,320	-	-	1,320	1,024
Repairs and maintenance		-	-	-	-	-
Bank charges		-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation- Office equipment		-	-	-	-	-
Profit/Loss on sale of assets		-	-	-	-	-
Total		72,011	4,950	-	76,961	482,263
Net income/(expenditure)		57,416	6,250	-	63,666	- 263,327
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		57,416	6,250	-	63,666	- 263,327
Reconciliation of funds						
Funds at 6th April 2020		2,741,578	-	-	2,741,578	3,004,905
Total funds at 5th April 2021	8.	2,798,994	6,250	-	2,805,244	2,741,578

The notes on pages 9 to 12 form part of these financial statements. All of the above activities are classed as continuing and there are no gains and losses other than those included above.

Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust
Balance sheet
As at 5th April 2021

	NOTES	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	7.		2,548,890		2,592,769
			<u>2,548,890</u>		<u>2,592,769</u>
Current assets					
Debtors:					
Prepayments & accrued income		2,591		2,726	
Cash at bank and in hand		256,306		148,456	
		<u>258,897</u>		<u>151,182</u>	
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:					
Other creditors		-		-	
Accruals and deferred income		2,543		2,373	
		<u>2,543</u>		<u>2,373</u>	
Net current assets			256,354		148,809
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>2,805,244</u>		<u>2,741,578</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:					
Loans			-		-
Net assets		£	<u>2,805,244</u>	£	<u>2,741,578</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted income fund			2,805,244		2,741,578
Restricted funds			-		-
Total Funds	9.	£	<u>2,805,244</u>	£	<u>2,741,578</u>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustee of
 Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust on / / and signed on their behalf by

 Charles Arnett
 Trustee

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, and incorporating update bulletins 1 and 2, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

The Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2 Income

Donations are recognised in the year in which there is entitlement and probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future year. Gift aid is added to the value of the donation to which it relates.

Donated services are recognised as income and expenditure in the financial statements when organisations or individuals offer their services and support pro bono. The value of these donated services to Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust is considered to be equal to market value which would be paid were the service formally procured. This includes services paid for by other trusts.

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

1.3 Resources expended

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Charitable activities comprise those costs directly attributable to the fulfilment of the charitable objects.

1.4 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related to statutory requirements. As there are no staff or offices the Trustees have agreed to allocate all such costs to Governance costs.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £150) are stated at cost less depreciation. Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold buildings	2% straight line
Fixtures and Fittings	15% straight line
Equipment	25% reducing balance method

1.6 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is not liable to United Kingdom income or corporation tax on charitable activities, provided income falls within the charitable exemptions and is spent on charitable purposes.

1.7 Funds

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

Restricted funds arise from donations to the trust which are made for a specific purpose. Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose for which funds were given.

1.8 Preparation of consolidated financial statements

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

1.9 Going concern

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

1. Accounting policies contd.

1.9 Going concern contd.

From 18th March 2020, Bricknell Gospel Hall Trust ceased using the gospel halls, which it operates, due to the global COVID-19 pandemic and the general lockdown imposed by the government. The trustees do not consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will have any effect on the ability of the trust to continue as a going concern.

2 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity and no Trustees were reimbursed for expenses (2020: None).

3 Wages and salaries

There are no employees (2020: none).

4 Donated services

Income	2021 £	2020 £
Donated Services	-	-
	-	-

Expenditure	2021 £	2020 £
Inglemire Gospel Hall Trust	4,133	4,491
	4,133	4,491

5 Grants received	2021 £	2020 £
Inglemire Gospel Hall Trust	-	815
	-	815

6 Resources expended	Meeting rooms £	Other charitable activities £	2021 £	2020 £
Repairs and maintenance of buildings	692	-	692	4,539
Landscaping costs	8,072	-	8,072	6,088
Maintenance- Recording equipment	-	-	-	-
Light and heat	7,649	-	7,649	15,222
Water rates	1,561	-	1,561	2,056
Telephone & broadband at hall(s)	369	-	369	385
Conference costs	-	-	-	-
Insurance- Public liability	1,659	-	1,659	517
Legal & professional- specific to halls	-	-	-	114
Cleaning	-	-	-	-
Sundry	-	-	-	-
Depreciation- Freehold property	40,524	-	40,524	40,524
Depreciation- Equipment	1,133	-	1,133	1,512
Depreciation - Furniture, fixtures & fittings	2,222	-	2,222	2,222
	63,881	-	63,881	73,179

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Property* and Refurbishment £	Plant & Equipment £	Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings £	Total £
Cost				
At 6th April 2020	2,994,225	12,521	14,815	3,021,561
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 5th April 2021	2,994,225	12,521	14,815	3,021,561
Depreciation				
At 6th April 2020	413,853	7,989	6,950	428,792
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Charge for the year	40,524	1,133	2,222	43,879
At 5th April 2021	454,377	9,122	9,172	472,671
Net Book Value				
At 5th April 2021	2,539,848	3,399	5,643	2,548,890
At 6th April 2020	2,580,372	4,532	7,865	2,592,769

* Land Registry title numbers; YEA55514 and YEA60712

8 Analysis of net assets between funds

8.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds £	Unrestricted Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,548,890	-	-	2,548,890
Currents assets	252,647	6,250	-	258,897
Current liabilities	2,543	-	-	2,543
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	-	-	-	-
Total funds	2,798,994	6,250	-	2,805,244

8.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Unrestricted Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	2,592,769	-	-	2,592,769
Currents assets	151,182	-	-	151,182
Current liabilities	2,373	-	-	2,373
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	-	-	-	-
Total funds	2,741,578	-	-	2,741,578

9 Movement in funds

9.1 Current year

	Balance at 6 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gain and losses £	Balance at 5 2021 £
Restricted funds					
Fund	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Designated funds	-	11,200	4,950	-	6,250
Unrestricted funds	2,741,578	129,427	72,011	-	2,798,994
Total funds	2,741,578	140,627	76,961	-	2,805,244

9. Movement in funds contd.

9.2 Prior year

	Balance at 6 April 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gain and losses £	Balance at 5 2020 £
Restricted funds					
Fund	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Designated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	3,004,905	218,936	482,263	-	2,741,578
Total funds	<u>3,004,905</u>	<u>218,936</u>	<u>482,263</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,741,578</u>

10 Independent examiner's fees

Governance costs include £1,320 including VAT (2020: £960) in respect of independent examiner's fees.

11 Transactions with related parties

No payments were made in the year to connected parties (2020 £ 475.20). The Trust received donations totalling £60,186 from connected persons (2020 £49,060).

12 Volunteers

The Bricknell 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.