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TRUSTEES' REPORT

REFERENCES AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NAME - Beacon Church Bridport

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER - 1161182

CHARITY'S PRINCIPAL ADDRESS: - Evangelical Hall  
Priory Lane  
Bridport  
Dorset  
DT6 3RW

TRUSTEES: Dianne Sinclair  
David Norris  
Simon Batorski  
Jeffrey Hibbitt

The trustees present their report and the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022.

The Beacon Church Bridport is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation under a constitution dated 7th April 2015.

Trustees are appointed by resolution of the Elders of the church as described in the constitution

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Elders or other recognised spiritual leaders of the church identify suitable candidates who are invited to serve as Trustees. Candidates are appointed if approved by the majority of Elders or recognised spiritual leaders of the church and only after they declare their allegiance to the Evangelical Alliance's statement of beliefs. Suitability is usually based on commitment to Beacon Church demonstrated by regular attendance and a high degree of involvement plus significant spiritual maturity. New Trustees are provided with copies of a Trustee job description, Beacon Church's mission, vision and values, the last four years' Annual Reports and Accounts, and the following Charity Commission documents: the Essential Trustee: What You Need To Know (CC3); Faith in Good Governance; General Guidance on Public Benefit.

Responsibility for the management of the Church and its assets is vested in the Board of Trustees. There are four members (listed above), all of whom act in a voluntary capacity and were appointed to manage the church.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity's objectives are:

(1) To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs as specified by the evangelical alliance, in Bridport and surrounding area and in such parts of the United Kingdom of the world as the trustees of the charity may from time to time think fit and to fulfil such purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of the charity, and;

(2) To relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship or who are aged or sick of who have addiction issues and to relieve the distress caused thereby in Bridport and surrounding area and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees may from time to time think fit.

Practically speaking this means blessing the community, strengthening believers and training leaders. The trustees do not believe that it is possible to accurately report on the individual performance of the above as they are intrinsically linked and this impossible to account for independently.

•Sunday Services: proclamation of the Christian faith, corporate worship and prayer, the study of the Bible and the mutual encouragement of those attending. Quarterly shared lunches are provided for anyone wishing to attend. Average weekly service attendance has been around 30.

•Children's ministry: 'Navigators' for primary school age children and 'Little Lanterns' for under 5's involve activities in a separate part of the building during church services. Each session is run by DBS checked volunteers who help the children build friendships with their peers and a relationship with God.

•Network Groups: one relational group of around 10 people have been meeting weekly in a member's home to encourage friendship, discipleship and support.

•Volunteering: Beacon launched a Community Soup Kitchen towards the end of 2019, offering hot meals and support to anyone experiencing an emotional or financial crisis in Bridport and other nearby towns. This is proving to be an invaluable service to those struggling with mental ill-health.

•Prayer Meetings: Regular mid-week prayer meetings are held for Beacon Church members. Before every Sunday morning service a faithful group, growing in numbers, continues to gather to pray.

•Mission and Benevolent Giving: Beacon Church gives some of its income to mission causes that further its vision in Bridport.

•Pastoral Care Team: provided care, support and relational connections to members in need.

The Trustees consider that the Church's activities during the year satisfy the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The church receives voluntary help but it is impossible to quantify this.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During this report year, as well as the activities above, the church were privileged to be able to offer support to several grieving families. The new leadership team which was established in the previous year continued to ably and effectively lead the church. We continued to enjoy the use of our rented premises, which proved to be a real community hub as we actively sought to reach out to our local community via our weekly Soup Kitchen.

RELATED PARTIES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

Beacon Church is a member of (1) Commission group of churches (South West region) facilitating being geographically accessible and relational to the other churches in the area (2) the Evangelical Alliance and (3) Churches Together in Bridport & District (CTiBD).

Beacon Church financially supported the CTiBD Youth Worker Project and a local community Food Bank.

FINANCIAL REVIEW AND RESERVES POLICY

Beacon Church was substantially funded by donations from its congregation. This enabled staff to be employed and premises maintained so that Beacon Church could carry out its ministry. Trustees aim to maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds of approximately three months' unrestricted charitable expenditure, which they consider will provide sufficient funds to respond to any unexpected drop in income or rise in expenditure in the short term.

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TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the charity Trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Standards). The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Charity Trustees to prepare Financial Statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity for the period.

In preparing the Financial Statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- 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 maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. The trustees 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 the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Dianne Sinclair



Date: 31st January 2023



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES  
BEACON CHURCH BRIDPORT  
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I report on the accounts of the Beacon Church Bridport for the year ended 31st March 2022 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission, the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking 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 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 Act
  - to prepare accounts which accord with accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have 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.



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Date: 31st January 2023

BEACON CHURCH BRIDPORT  
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
(INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

		<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>		
		Unrestricted	Restricted			
		Funds	Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds	
Note		£	£	£	£	
<u>Incoming resources</u>						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
Voluntary income:						
		General Offerings Non-Gift Aid	4,933	-	4,933	3,358
		General Offerings Gift Aid	19,760	-	19,760	10,875
		Restricted Donations: Non-Gift Aid	-	35,590	35,590	2,556
		Restricted Donations: Gift Aid	-	1,500	1,500	50
		Gift Aid Claim	5,146	0	5,146	2,733
		<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>29,839</b>	<b>37,090</b>	<b>66,929</b>	<b>19,572</b>
<u>Resources expended:</u>						
	2	Charitable Activities	7,591	5,168	12,759	10,122
	3	Governance Costs	480	-	480	480
		<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>8,071</b>	<b>5,168</b>	<b>13,239</b>	<b>10,602</b>
<u>NEW MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</u>			<b>21,768</b>	<b>31,922</b>	<b>53,690</b>	<b>8,970</b>
Total Funds Brought Forward			13,823	1,690	15,513	6,543
<u>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</u>			<b>35,591</b>	<b>33,612</b>	<b>69,203</b>	<b>15,513</b>



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BALANCE SHEET  
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	Note	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>	
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
		Funds	Funds		
		£	£	£	£
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>					
Debtors	5	3,316	-	3,316	791
Cash at Bank	6	32,654	33,612	66,266	15,104
		<u>35,970</u>	<u>33,612</u>	<u>69,582</u>	<u>15,895</u>
<u>CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE</u>					
<u>    WITHIN ONE YEAR</u>	7	<u>480</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>382</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>36,450</u>	<u>33,612</u>	<u>70,062</u>	<u>15,513</u>
<u>FUNDS</u>					
Unrestricted Funds				36,450	13,823
Restricted Funds	8			33,612	1,690
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>70,062</u>	<u>15,513</u>

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Dianne Sinclair

Date: 31st January 2023

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**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

**1.1 Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Beacon Church Bridport meets the definition of a public entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

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

**1.2 Incoming Resources**

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is certain that the resources will be received and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Voluntary income

Voluntary income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities during the year in which it is receivable together with any income tax reclaimable thereon.

Investment income

Income from investment is included in the year in which it is receivable.

Other incoming resources

Other incoming resources are included in the period in which they are receivable.

**1.3 Resources Expended**

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities includes all direct and indirect costs incurred by the charity in meeting its charitable objects.

Governance costs

Governance activities comprise all costs incurred in running the charity itself as an organisation and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

**1.4 Taxation**

Under section 505 ICTA 1988 the charity is exempt from certain taxes. Full account is taken of tax credits attaching to gifts and qualifying donations.

**1.5 Value Added Tax**

The charity is not registered for value added tax. Irrecoverable value added tax is aggregated along with the expenditure to which it relates.

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2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	<u>2022</u>			<u>2021</u>
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Lead Elder - Salary	-	-	-	-
Travel / Expenses	42	-	42	-
Office administrator salary	-	-	-	4,324
Training	335	-	335	0
Conferences	-	-	-	-
Office rent	700	-	700	1,200
Office Heating Costs	754	-	754	841
Printing, Postage & Stationery	252	-	252	60
Computer & Software	314	-	314	96
Telephone & Internet	342	-	342	369
Subscriptions & Licences	496	-	496	229
Equipment / Small items purchased	181	1,238	1,419	130
Office Machine Maintenance & Repairs	-	-	-	-
Office repairs	2,858	-	2,858	186
Office Cleaning	-	168	168	275
Water rates	198	-	198	129
Church Entertainment	-	-	-	-
Building Improvements	-	1,014	1,014	-
Sundries - Sunday Morning	-	-	-	-
Insurance	501	-	501	485
Gifts for visiting ministry	-	-	-	-
Gifts Given - Commission	-	-	-	-
Gifts Given - Other	519	-	519	-
Gifts Given - Local Charities	-	840	840	840
Gifts Given - Pastoral Needs	-	-	-	-
Gifts Given A J Rigby Youth-Work	-	1,000	1,000	-
Community Outreach (Poor/Homeless)	-	909	909	958
Socials	-	-	-	-
Christmas Event	-	-	-	-
Children's Work	100	-	100	-
Ladies Shimmer	-	-	-	-
Community Action projects	-	-	-	-
	<u>7,591</u>	<u>5,168</u>	<u>12,759</u>	<u>10,122</u>

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3 GOVERNANCE COSTS

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Professional fees	480	-	480
	<u>480</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>480</u>

4 STAFF COSTS

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
	Total		Total
	2022		2021
	£		£
Wages and salaries	-		4,324
	<u>0</u>		<u>4,324</u>

The average number of full time equivalent employees during the period was 0 (2021: 1)

5 DEBTORS

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Gift Aid Claim up to year-end	2,777	-	2,777
Prepayment - Insurance	539	-	539
Prepayment - heat & light	-	-	-
	<u>3,316</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,316</u>
			<u>791</u>

6 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Bank Current Account	32,633	33,612	66,245
Petty Cash	21	-	21
	<u>32,654</u>	<u>33,612</u>	<u>66,266</u>
			<u>15,104</u>

7 CREDITORS

AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
PAYE	-	-	-
National Insurance	-	-	-
Accruals	480	-	480
Travel Expenses	-	-	-
Telephone & Internet	-	-	-
Rent	-	-	-
Heating	-	-	-
Accrued income (weekend away)	-	-	-
Accountant's Report	-	-	-
	<u>480</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>480</u>
			<u>382</u>

8 Restricted Funds

	Balance at 1st April	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Balance at 31st March
	£	£	£	£
Community Kitchen	1,690	37,090	(5,168)	33,612
	<u>1,690</u>	<u>37,090</u>	<u>(5,168)</u>	<u>33,612</u>

Community Kitchen - Monies relating to the weekly kitchen that runs from the church building.