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**Charity Registration No: 1161533**

**Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust**

**Report of the trustees and  
unaudited financial statements  
Year ended 5 April 2022**

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**Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust**

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**Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust****Reference and Administrative Details  
For the year ended 5 April 2022**

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<b>Charity name</b>	Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust
<b>Registered charity number</b>	1161533
<b>Trustees</b>	Mr Benjamin Hall Mr Timothy Dupont Mr Peter Glass (Chair)
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mr Benjamin Hall
<b>Principal address</b>	The Lodge Station Road Eynsford Dartford DA4 0ER
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<b>Accountant</b>	T B Tax Services Accountants Bridge House Pattenden Lane Marden Kent TN12 9QJ

## **Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust**

### **Report of the Trustees For the year ended 5 April 2022**

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The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 12 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 29 April 1982, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 13 August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 5 May 2015 under Charity Registration Number: 1161533.

##### **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 3. None of the Trustees, nor any person connected with them, received any remuneration or expenses from the Charity in the year ended 5 April 2022 (2021: £nil).

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

##### **Wider network**

The Trustees maintain informal links with similar charities with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Charity. The Charity also maintains particular links with other Gospel Hall Trusts, including the Manor Gospel Trust.

##### **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.

## **Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust**

### **Report of the Trustees (Cont'd) For the year ended 5 April 2022**

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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.

##### **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 support for other similar Trusts that provide and maintain 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](http://www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org) and in the schedules to the Trust Deed.

The Trust has continued to support such Trusts and the community and encouraging good works by them which benefit the wider community, as described below.

##### **Plans for future periods**

The Trustees are considering donating the property currently owned to the Cheviot Trust 1976 (an affiliated trust), for nil consideration in the foreseeable future pursuant to the power contained in clause 2.2(o) of the Trust Deed, as they feel it would be in the best interests of the congregation if the management and administration of gospel halls was consolidated. Once the donations have taken place it is anticipated that the trust will become dormant.

##### **Meetings**

Meetings held at the Gospel halls 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 300 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.

## **Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust**

### **Report of the Trustees (Cont'd) For the year ended 5 April 2022**

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

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

#### **Funding**

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

#### **Financial review**

##### **Financial position**

During the year the Trustees agreed to write off the loan to Manor Gospel Trust and treat it as a donation. It is anticipated that its remaining asset and liabilities will be transferred to The Cheviot Trust 1976 during the coming year. Also a historic loan that the Trust had was found to be incorrect and this has been written off in the year.

In the year ended 5 April 2022 the Trust had a large deficit of incoming resources over resources expended, this was due to interest accruing on a loan that the Trust has and the write off of the loan to Manor Gospel Trust.

Total voluntary income received this year was £157969 compared to £14813 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

**Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust****Report of the Trustees (Cont'd)  
For the year ended 5 April 2022****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 aim to ensure that the charity has sufficient reserves to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives.

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 £31226 (2021: £2,350,193).

**Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- 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 enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. All transactions have been reviewed and approved by two trustees.

On behalf of the Board:

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*Ben Hall*

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Benjamin Hall

Trustee

10/31/2022

Date: .....

## **Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust**

### **Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees For the year ended 5 April 2022**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust for the year ending 5 April 2022.

#### **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').

#### **BASIS OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT**

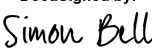
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking 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**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act;  
Or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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10/27/2022

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## Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust

## Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 5 April 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
<b><i>Donations and legacies:</i></b>					
Collections		0	0	0	0
Contributions from the congregation		0	0	0	0
Gift Aid donations		6375	0	6375	7050
Income tax refunds		1594	0	1594	1763
Donated services		0	0	0	0
Other donations		0	0	0	0
Church & Gospel Hall Trust grant		150000	0	150000	6000
<b><i>Investments</i></b>					
Bank interest		0	0	0	0
<b><i>Other - Rent received</i></b>		0		0	0
<b>Total</b>		157969	0	157969	14813
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
<b><i>Charitable activities</i></b>					
Running meeting rooms		10900	0	10900	19315
Grants to Manor Gospel Trust		2309462	0	2309462	0
Cost of donated services		0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	2320362	0	2320362	19315
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		(2162393)	0	(2162393)	(4502)
Gains/(losses) on sale of fixed assets		0	0	0	0
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		(2162393)	0	(2162393)	(4502)
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		2056436	0	2056436	2060938
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		(105957)	0	(105957)	2056436

The notes on pages 12 to 17 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.

**Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust****Balance Sheet****For the year ended 5 April 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Intangible assets		0	0
Tangible fixed assets	5	<u>150000</u>	<u>150000</u>
		150000	150000
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors:			
Loans	6	0	2309462
Prepayments and accrued income		213	582
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>32513</u>	<u>41823</u>
		32726	2351867
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Other creditors		0	(174)
Accruals and deferred income		(1500)	(1500)
Loans		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net current assets		31226	2350193
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>181226</u>	<u>2500193</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loans	7	(287183)	(443757)
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>(105957)</u>	<u>2056436</u>
<b>Funds</b>			
Unrestricted income fund		(105957)	2056436
Restricted funds		0	0
<b>Total charity funds</b>	8	<u>(105957)</u>	<u>2056436</u>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust on 10/31/2022 and signed on their behalf by

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*Ben Hall*

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Benjamin Hall  
Trustee

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements

## Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 5 April 2022

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#### 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 Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust is considered to be equal to market value which would be paid were the service formally procured. This includes services paid for by other trusts.

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

##### 1.3 Expenditure

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

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

##### 1.4 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related to statutory requirements. Governance and support costs are allocated to charitable activities on the basis of capacity used.

##### 1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £1000) 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:

Fixtures and Fittings	25% reducing balance
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## **Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 5 April 2022**

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#### **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.

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.

The potential donation of properties currently owned to the Cheviot Trust 1976 has raised material uncertainties as to whether the trust will continue to be a going concern in the future. This is because it is anticipated that once properties are donated the trust will no longer own any assets and will therefore become dormant.

## **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 (2021: None).

## **3. Wages and salaries**

There are no employees (2021: none).

## Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 5 April 2022

## 4. Resources expended

<i>Current Year</i>	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2022
	£	£	£
<b>Direct costs:</b>			
Insurance	0	0	0
Repairs & Maintenance	180	0	180
Loan Interest	8803	0	8803
Utilities	0	0	0
Donations	0	2309462	2309462
Activity costs	0	0	0
Legal fees	107	0	107
Depreciation	0	0	0
<b>Governance costs</b>	1810	0	1810
	<u>10900</u>	<u>2309462</u>	<u>2320362</u>
<i>Prior Year</i>	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2021
	£	£	£
<b>Direct costs:</b>			
Insurance	0	0	0
Repairs & Maintenance	456	0	456
Loan Interest	16873	0	16873
Utilities	0	0	0
Donations	0	0	0
Activity costs	0	0	0
Legal fees	56	0	56
Depreciation	0	0	0
<b>Governance costs</b>	1930	0	1930
	<u>19315</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>19315</u>

Governance costs include £1470 (2021: £1560) in respect of independent examiner's fees.

**Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust****Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 5 April 2022****5. Fixed assets**

	<b>Freehold Land</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
	See below		
<b>Cost</b>			
B/f at 06/04/2021	150000	200	150200
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	(200)	(200)
<b>At 5 April 2022</b>	<u>150000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>150000</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
B/f at 06/04/2021	0	200	200
Charge for the year	0	0	0
Impairment	0	0	0
Disposals	0	(200)	(200)
<b>At 5 April 2022</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
<b>At 5 April 2022</b>	<u>150000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>150000</u>
<b>At 5 April 2021</b>	<u>150000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>150000</u>
<b>Land registry Title Deed</b>	<b>SGL623136</b>		

**6. Loans made**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Manor Gospel Trust	0	2309462
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>0</b></u>	<u><b>2309462</b></u>

**Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust****Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 5 April 2022****7. Loans received**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Private Loans	0	15000
Central Gospel Hall Trust	0	150000
Albacore Gospel Hall Trust	0	0
Central Hardship and Relief Trust	287183	278757
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>287183</b>	<b>443757</b>

**8. Analysis of net assets between funds****8.1 Current year**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fixed assets	150000	0	150000
Current assets	32726	0	32726
Current liabilities	(1500)	0	(1500)
Long term liabilities	(287183)	0	(287183)
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>(105957)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(105957)</b>

**8.2 Prior year**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fixed assets	150000	0	150000
Current assets	2351867	0	2351867
Current liabilities	(1674)	0	(1674)
Long term liabilities	(443757)	0	(443757)
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>2056436</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2056436</b>

**Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust****Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 5 April 2022****9. Movement in funds***9.1 Current year*

	Balance at 6 April 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses	Balance at 5 April 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	2056436	157969	(2320362)	0	(105957)
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>2056436</b>	<b>157969</b>	<b>(2320362)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(105957)</b>

*9.2 Prior year*

	Balance at 6 April 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses	Balance at 5 April 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	2060938	14813	(19315)	0	2056436
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>2060938</b>	<b>14813</b>	<b>(19315)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2056436</b>

**10. Transactions with related parties**

During the year there were donations made totalling £1080 from related parties. (2021: £1080)

**11. Volunteers**

Fairworth 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.



## Fairworth Gospel Hall Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 5 April 2022

## 12. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2021 £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>				
<b><i>Donations and legacies:</i></b>				
Collections		0	0	0
Contributions from the congregation		0	0	0
Gift Aid donations		7050	0	7050
Income tax refunds		1763	0	1763
Donated services		0	0	0
Other donations		0	0	0
Grants from other Trusts		6000	0	6000
<b><i>Investments</i></b>				
Bank interest		0	0	0
<b><i>Other - Rent received</i></b>		0		0
<b>Total</b>		14813	0	14813
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
<b><i>Charitable activities</i></b>				
Running meeting rooms		19315	0	19315
Grants donated		0	0	0
Cost of donated services		0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	19315	0	19315
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		-4502	0	-4502
Gains/(losses) on sale of fixed assets		0	0	0
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		-4502	0	-4502
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		2060938	0	2060938
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		2056436	0	2056436