



Croydon, Church of the Nazarene® CIO CN1161652
Next to 57 Lower Addiscombe Road
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CR0 6PQ

Annual General Meeting
Trustee Board Report

AGM Postponed due to Covid Restrictions

Trustees:-

Rev Edward Davis

Mrs Agnes Davis

Miss Emma Davis

Mr Paul Hall

Mrs Margaret Shambare

Mrs Angela Alexander

Ms Lola Barrett

All were contacted and consented to stay in post until AGM can be held. Not all the congregation have digital access to meetings. All the financial reports for the year were distributed to the congregation. Everyone was asked to read the reports and raise any queries, there were no questions. The books were audited by an external auditor which is included with the financial statements. The Minister's report and the Secretary's report was also distributed to everyone to check the performance of the past year.

AIMS

- To help promote the advancement of the Christian faith as part of the International Church of the Nazarene and the British Isles South District in Croydon Church of the Nazarene, Greater London.
- To explore the Christian faith and to serve and enhance the local community

OBJECTIVES

- Hold weekly Sunday morning services for Christian worship, Holy Communion, prayer and Bible teaching to minister to the needs of the congregation
- Special Church services, celebrations and events to mark key occasions such as Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving, funerals and Christenings.
- Hold weekly Prayer Meetings and Bible Studies
- Hold weekly Sunday School
- Make the church premises available to the community to hold afternoon Sunday services, weekly evening prayer meetings and

weekly praise meetings. [This had to be postponed until all restrictions are lifted.](#)

- The community using the premises for monthly prayer meetings on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings [Postponed until restrictions are lifted.](#)
- The establishing of a Monday night soup/tea/coffee run in the Addiscombe community [Postponed but aiming to develop](#)
- To raise awareness of the church among local businesses by doing a hot chocolate outreach at Christmas and Easter [Postponed](#)
- To provide lay members with in house training to enable them to lead worship and preach.
- To maintain the church property and develop a small garden at the side of the hall.
- To increase the church income by offering the church premises for use by the community willing to adhere to the Church's aims and objectives [Postponed until all restrictions lifted](#)

PERFORMANCE

- We have maintained regular attendance at Sunday services and been joined by new families [as able complying with Covid restrictions](#)
- Raising awareness of the church among local businesses has been appreciated by them and they look forward to the Christmas and Easter visits. They also come in to the Open Door outreach for a chat and hot drink on their way home.
- Continued weekly ministry through Sunday School to children and Young people. [Postponed until September 2021 if all restrictions lifted.](#) All teaching staff have been registered with the DBS service.
- People are being developed to use their preaching ministry in the church.
- The development of the Open Door Ministry has been well received in the community. People can drop in for a chat or reflection and prayer. People of all faiths and none drop in for a welcome hot drink. [Postponed](#)
- Develop a monthly meal for senior adults to meet socially and help to stretch their budget. This commenced in June 19 and is well attended. [Postponed](#)
- Opening up the church premises to the community has already seen increased usage of the church by various groups, with interest shown from other parties for education classes and exercise classes. A Local Resident Association also used the premises for their AGM. [Postponed](#)

The church sends representation to the annual District Assembly to ensure they align with the wider church policies mostly through Rev Edward Davis. [The District Assembly was held via Zoom to comply with travel restrictions this year.](#) Our financial reports for the year are also attached.

Due to the Coronavirus and compliance with Government guidelines the church premises have been closed. Our Sunday worship has continued through WhatsApp and Zoom. The church opened for services again at the end of March for services as people were beginning to be vaccinated against Coronavirus. Wednesday Bible studies are shared via WhatsApp and email not happening at present due to some people not having digital access. We are hoping to extend the Open Door Ministry to various times during the week to give the Community more access to the Church. People are able to pay tithes and offerings straight into the church account electronically. Alternately they can send cheques which are banked once a month to comply with the present restrictions. Like all organisations our finances reduced as people were furloughed or became unemployed. We are exploring ways to increase our finances again as hopefully restrictions will be lifted.

The Trustee Board is meeting through Zoom to discuss putting measures in place for when the Government permits the opening of places of worship. More people will be able to attend worship if the social distancing rule is reduced. We are open again following social distancing rules and the wearing of masks. The church is cleaned using antiviral products.

There are plans to recommence Sunday School and other activities from September 2020 in line with current guidance from the Government. This has been postponed tentatively until September 2021.

Agnes Davis
Church Secretary

Income and Expenditure for the year 30

Croydon church of Nazarene

Income

| | |
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| Tithes and offerings | £5,753.84 |
| Gift aid | £12,228.10 |
| Donations | £7,011.00 |
| Interest | £17.05 |
| Hire of hall | £630.00 |
| Afternoon church | £1,000.00 |
| Budgets/Gasd | £770.08 |
| Christmas card sale | £23.14 |
| from deposit account | £4,000.00 |
| profit b/f 2019 | £6,504.43 |

Expenditure

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|------------------|
| Church |
| new boilers |
| preaching |
| new laptop |
| plumbing repairs |
| sanitizers |
| Gas |
| Electric |
| Water |
| Insurance |
| fire inspection |
| CCLI license |
| Audit |
| toilet supplies |
| local compassion |
| sundry |

total

Manse

| |
|-------------|
| council tax |
| insurance |
| water bill |
| gas/elect |
| telephone |
| maintenance |

total

Minister

| |
|-------------|
| Stipend net |
| Tax/NI |
| Expenses |
| pension |

total

Excess income over expenditure

£37,937.64

1.09.20

£2,410.00
£200.00
£400.00
£253.00
£61.97
£966.16
£398.07
£143.35
£1,406.38
£84.18
£117.00
£87.50
£119.90
£100.00
£171.89

£6,919.40

£2,148.56
£820.25
£541.65
£1,307.37
£486.90
£206.23

£5,510.96

£16,584.40
£3,273.55
£1,049.71
£1,064.81

£21,972.47

£3,534.81

£37,937.64

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15 January 2021

To whom it may concern

This is to confirm that I have examined the books and accounts for year ended 30 September 2020 for the Croydon Church of Nazarene and signed them off on the 15th January 2021

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'S B Braybrooke', written in a cursive style.

Susan Braybrooke
Director