



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1 st	July	2020		30	June	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Grace Church, Hilton

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1161858

Charity's principal address

1 Washford Road

Hilton

Derby

Postcode

DE65 5HN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Chris Hammersley	Treasurer		
2	Jonathan Boustred			
3	Mark Selby	Chair		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution, adopted by the members of Grace Church Hilton CIO on the 26th of April 2015 and approved by the Charity Commission on 27th of May 2015
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees who must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The purposes of the CIO are: the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith and Doctrinal Distinctives primarily but not exclusively within Hilton, Derbyshire and the surrounding neighbourhood; and such other charitable purposes, as shall in the opinion of the charity trustees facilitate the charitable activities of the Fellowship or the advancement of the Christian faith, provided that such purposes must be carried out in a manner consistent with the Basis of Faith and Doctrinal Distinctives.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Grace Church, Hilton exists to advance the Christian faith by presenting and commending the Christian faith to others and by helping Christians to grow in their faith so that they are better equipped to follow Jesus Christ and present His Gospel to others.

Having regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the charity commission, below is a brief summary of the charity's main activities undertaken for the period under review.

Public Services, time together and Home Groups

We hold weekly services followed by a meal. The purpose of these services is to teach what we hold to be God's word from the Bible and explain its relevance and implications to people living in the 21st century.

Although the coronavirus pandemic has disrupted and presented various challenges to our normal activities, we have pursued alternative ways of meeting, encouraging each other and presenting the Christian faith to the wider community.

Throughout the lockdown periods, Grace Church largely met via Zoom for our Sunday services, followed by chatting to each other over lunch (still over Zoom). We also recorded our Zoom meetings and posted them onto our Facebook page so they could be accessed by other members of the public.

Our meetings have been publicised through the Village Hall, through an advertising brochure that is sent out in the local area, through our own website and the FIEC website, through facebook and through personal invitations to those we meet.

For a brief period during summer 2020, we met in person at the village hall, but then resumed Zoom meetings. Since the end of May 2021 Grace Church resumed meeting in person at the Village Hall.

We continue to support and encourage one another beyond our service times in order to reflect on what we have learned from the Bible and help each other to live out the Christian faith.

Children

We work hard to help the children feel included in the church fellowship. We make the Bible teaching accessible to them and explain and provide age-appropriate activities to enable them to learn of the Christian faith, whilst being included in main service times.

Our normal activities with children (kid's teas, assemblies at the local school, Christmas and Easter events) have been paused through the pandemic. We hope to resume these things when restrictions have eased sufficiently to allow us to.

Response to coronavirus and special events

At various points through the year, we have held special events in order to contribute to the life of our community positively and to help members of the public hear and investigate the message of the Christian faith. These have included:

Holding an online course explaining the Christian gospel
Holding online baking and craft events for children, which have also included a talk on the Christian faith
Holding an online Christmas carol service
Running a 'picture hunt' around the village based on Bible stories

All of these events were open to all members of the community and free of charge to all.

Community involvement

We seek to play an active role in the local community to serve, support and engage with other local people and groups. This has included:

- Meeting with and caring for those facing difficult circumstances, or those who have questions about the Christian faith.
- Offering help to those in the community who have been in need through the coronavirus outbreak, or due to other circumstances.

Partnering with others

We have continued to partner with other churches and Christian networks to further advance the Christian faith across the region and UK. As such we have continued to contribute to, support and join regional meetings of local churches and regional events (E.g. Men's and women's conventions, Derby church leaders' group, joint new year service etc) – all held online.

We have supported and visited local Derby churches to encourage and support them in their work.

We have continued to contribute to and engage with the work of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC) and support its work financially.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Through the period under review, we have been working to achieve our charitable objectives and have been encouraged in the progress made in achieving these.

We have continued to advance the Christian faith

Throughout the period, several members of the public have joined with us, or viewed our online services and special events, through which we have been able to present and commend the Christian faith.

It has been hard to gauge exactly how many people have accessed and viewed our online events, however, there seemed to be a good number of people engaging with the children's Christmas craft morning and the bake-along that we held.

We have had opportunities throughout the period under review to share and commend the Christian faith with others, whether that be with people with whom relationships have been growing, or those who've viewed our online services and made contact with us. As a result, new people have joined the church.

We have continued to help Christians to grow in their faith

Through the regular services and meetings we hold, along with ongoing individual and group support within the church fellowship, we have seen members of the church fellowship continuing and growing in their faith.

We have also been able to contribute to the ongoing growth and encouragement of other churches in our region through joining in with regional networks and offering help to individual churches when they have needed this.

The church also remains an active member of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC) and benefit from their support and input. These all contribute to helping Christians to grow in their faith and the advance of the Christian faith.

We have continued to make a positive contribution to the community in which we are based.

Throughout the period under review we have been particularly seeking to help those who have been in need, or suffering, as a result of the pandemic, restrictions and isolation. Members of the church have been able to provide care and support for several members of the community who have been in need.

We continue to appreciate and value the work of the church fellowship together in enabling the work of the charity to steadily progress over this period, for the public benefit.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity has set aside £10,000 as funds designated for a church planting apprenticeship.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

We have continued to benefit from donations from other local churches who we know and who are glad to continue to support the work that we are engaged in.

Our needs are increasingly being met by giving from members of the church fellowship.

There are sufficient funds available to cover the budget we have set for the next period under review.

Section F

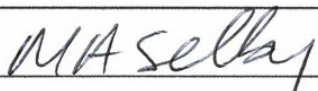
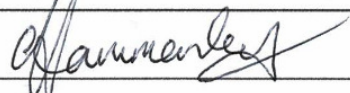
Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	MARK ANDREW SELBY	CHRISTOPHER HAMMERSLEY
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	Treasurer
Date	22/9/2021	

Opening Balance: £11,144.23

INCOME

Date	Details	non-gift aid donation	gift aided donation		Total
	Giving	£120.00	£9,270.00		£9,390.00
01/07/20	Gift from St Alkmunds			£1,500.00	£1,500.00
14/09/20	Gift Aid Claim 2019-2020			£1,554.39	£1,554.39
23/10/20	Advent Book			£10.00	£10.00
29/12/21	Gift from Woodlands			£1,218.00	£1,218.00
08/04/21	Gift from Mirfield			£250.00	£250.00
11/05/21	Gift from St Alkmunds			£1,500.00	£1,500.00
				Total	£15,422.39

EXPENDITURE			Room Hire	ThirtyOneEight/CCLI	FIEC	Website/Insurance	Festivals	Advertising	Courses	Sunday	Misc	Total
Date	Details											
01/07/20	FIEC	DD			£39.00							£39.00
08/07/20	Village Life- August	DD						£12.00				£12.00
16/07/20	CCLI Licence	online		£80.00								£80.00
16/07/20	Village Hall- June	online	£89.43									£89.43
23/07/20	Zoom Subscription	online									£14.39	£14.39
01/08/20	FIEC	DD			£39.00							£39.00
08/08/20	Hilton Life- September	DD						£12.00				£12.00
17/08/20	Thirty-one Eight	DD		£129.00								£129.00
21/08/20	Zoom Subscription	online									£14.39	£14.39
26/08/20	Hilton Harriers Board	online						£100.00				£100.00
01/09/20	FIEC	DD			£39.00							£39.00
03/09/20	FIEC Annual Gift	online			£687.00							£687.00
08/09/20	Village Hall- August	online	£130.38									£130.38
08/09/20	Hilton Life- October	DD						£12.00				£12.00
22/09/20	Zoom Subscription	online									£14.39	£14.39
08/10/20	Hilton Life- November	DD						£12.00				£12.00
08/10/20	Village Hall- September	online	£125.13									£125.13
08/10/20	Christmas Kickstarter	online					£100.00					£100.00
08/10/20	Website	online				£86.33						£86.33
22/10/20	Zoom Subscription	online									£14.39	£14.39
09/11/20	Hilton Life- December	DD						£12.00				£12.00
13/11/20	Village Hall- October	online	£125.14									£125.14
30/11/20	Village Life- Christmas	online						£48.00				£48.00
30/11/20	Zoom Subscription	online									£14.39	£14.39
01/12/20	Advent books (cH)	online									£10.00	£10.00
03/12/20	A&T Insurance	online				£222.18						£222.18
08/12/20	Village Life- January	DD						£12.00				£12.00
22/12/20	Zoom Subscription	online									£14.39	£14.39
08/01/21	Village Life- February	DD						£12.00				£12.00
08/02/21	Village Life- March	DD						£12.00				£12.00
08/03/21	Village Life- April	DD						£12.00				£12.00
17/03/21	CCLI Streaming Licence	online								£89.33		£89.33
13/04/21	Zoom Subscription- 3 months	online									£43.17	£43.17
27/04/21	Zoom Subscription	online									£14.39	£14.39
27/04/21	Rupert Gift	online								£50.00		£50.00
13/05/21	MS Apr 2021	online							£42.50			£42.50
08/06/21	Village Life - May/June	online						£24.00				£24.00
08/06/21	Zoom Subscription	online									£14.39	£14.39
09/06/21	Village Life - July	DD						£12.00				£12.00
17/06/21	Village Hall (May)	online	£62.57									£62.57
		Total:	£532.65	£209.00	£804.00	£308.51	£100.00	£292.00	£42.50	£139.33	£168.29	£2,596.28
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