

SPRINGFIELD GOSPEL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1161969

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2015-06-03

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: (A) 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 A WORLDWIDE FELLOWSHIP KNOWN AS THE "PLYMOUTH BRETHREN CHRISTIAN CHURCH" (THE "BRETHREN") WHOSE CORE DOCTRINE IS SUMMARISED IN SCHEDULE 1 TO THIS DEED AND WHOSE PROPER PRACTICES IN FURTHERANCE OF SOME ASPECTS OF THAT CORE DOCTRINE ARE SUMMARISED IN SCHEDULE 2 TO THIS DEED ("FAITH IN PRACTICE"); AND (B) ANY OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES CONNECTED WITH BRETHREN.

Activities: Operation of Places of Public Worship Promotion of Christian Faith by public Preachings

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£330,323	£182,206	-	-
2024-04-05	£333,796	£212,061	-	-
2023-04-05	£161,360	£188,200	-	-
2022-04-05	£115,013	£162,432	-	-
2021-04-05	£137,488	£138,235	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Daniel Woodcock		2025-01-15
Hamish Stephen Penson		2017-09-01
Peter Andrew Wickland		2025-01-15
Russell John Wickland		2017-09-01
Wade Oakley Devenish		2025-01-15

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Accounts

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Springfield Gospel Trust

**Report of the trustees and
unaudited financial statements
Year ended 5 April 2025**

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**Reference and Administrative Details
For the year ended 5 April 2025**

Charity name	Springfield Gospel Trust
Registered charity number	1161969
Trustees	Nick Clarke (Resigned 15/01/2025) Peter Wickland (Appointed 15/01/2025) Ian King (Resigned 15/01/2025) Daniel Woodcock (Appointed 15/01/2025) Edwin Kerkham (Resigned 15/01/2025) Wade Devenish (Appointed 15/01/2025) Russell Wickland (Chair) Hamish Penson
Treasurer	Hamish Penson
Principal address	The Gospel Hall Nyton Road Aldingbourne PO20 3TX
Independent examiner	Mike Prior FCA Sherlocks Chartered Accountants 13 Plantation Way Whitehill Hants GU35 9HD
Accountant	T B Tax Services Accountants Bridge House Pattenden Lane Marden Kent TN12 9QJ
Bankers	Cater Allan Private Bank Bridle Road Bootle L30 4GB

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Report of the Trustees For the year ended 5 April 2025

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 11-12 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 22 June 2004, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 28 February 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 3 June 2015 under Charity Registration Number: 1161969.

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 2025 (2024: £nil) other than that disclosed in Note 10.

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 similar charities with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Charity. The Charity also maintains particular links with Chalcraft 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 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.

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Report of the trustees (continued) For the year ended 5 April 2025

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. Details of public benefit activities carried out by this Trust can be found in the separate appendix to this report.

Main activities and achievements

The Trust provides and maintains two 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 Trust has continued to engage with the congregation and visitors and encouraging good works by them which benefit the wider community, as described in the annexed report.

Plans for future periods

Despite the increased cost of energy, the trustees feel that these increased costs are not significantly impacting on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

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 40 and 800 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 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.

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.

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).

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Report of the trustees (continued) For the year ended 5 April 2025

Objectives and activities

(continued)

- 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

In the year ended 5 April 2025 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended. This was due to contributions in during the year towards a new gospel hall.

Total voluntary income received this year was £330,323 compared to £333,742 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. The Trustees have a programme of raising further funds by way of donations and collections, and if necessary, loans, in order to fund intended projects, including future plans as referred to below.

The Trust is holding large reserves with a view to providing new Gospel Halls in the area.

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 £626,767 (2024: £390,146).

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Report of the trustees (continued) For the year ended 5 April 2025

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:

Signed by:


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Hamish Penson
Trustee

2/3/2026

Date:

Springfield Gospel Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees For the year ended 5 April 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Springfield Gospel Trust for the year ending 5 April 2025.

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.

Signed by:

Mike Prior

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Mike Prior FCA

2/4/2026

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Statement of financial activities For the year ended 5 April 2025


	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>					
Collections		0	0	0	0
Contributions from the congregation		273,948	0	273,948	269,136
Gift Aid donations		45,100	0	45,100	51,685
Income tax refunds		11,275	0	11,275	12,921
Donated services		0	0	0	0
Other donations		0	0	0	0
Grants from other Trusts		0	0	0	0
<i>Investments</i>					0
Bank interest		0	0	0	54
<i>Other</i>		0	0	0	0
Total		330,323	0	330,323	333,796
Expenditure on:					
<i>Charitable activities</i>					
Running meeting rooms	5	162,339	0	162,339	159,361
Charitable events	5	13,824	0	13,824	46,274
Cost of donated services	4	6,043	0	6,043	6,426
Total		182,206	0	182,206	212,061
Net income/(expenditure)		148,117	0	148,117	121,735
Gains/(losses) on sale of fixed assets		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		148,117	0	148,117	121,735
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		1,476,606	0	1,476,606	1,354,871
Total funds carried forward		1,624,723	0	1,624,723	1,476,606

The notes on pages 11 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.

Springfield Gospel Trust**Balance sheet
As at 5 April 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets		0	0
Tangible fixed assets	6	997,956	1,086,460
		997,956	1,086,460
Current assets			
Debtors:			
Loan	7	222,000	222,000
Prepayments and accrued income		11,275	12,921
Cash at bank and in hand		395,172	154,385
		628,447	389,306
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Other creditors		0	0
Accruals and deferred income		(1,680)	840
Loans		0	0
Net current assets		626,767	390,146
Total assets less current liabilities		1,624,723	1,476,606
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loans		0	0
Net assets	8	1,624,723	1,476,606
Funds			
Unrestricted income fund		1,624,723	1,476,606
Designated funds		0	0
Restricted funds		0	0
Total charity funds	9	1,624,723	1,476,606

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Springfield Gospel Hall Trust on 2/3/2026 and signed on their behalf by

Signed by:

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 Hamish Penson
 Trustee

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of these financial statements

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 5 April 2025**

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 Springfield 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:

Freehold buildings	3.33% straight line
Improvements to property	8.33% straight line
Fixtures and Fittings	8.33% straight line

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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.

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements

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.

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 (2024: None) other than that disclosed in Note 10.

3. Wages and salaries

There are no employees (2024: none).

4. Donated services

	2025	2024
	£	£
Chalcraft Gospel Hall Trust	6,043	6,426
	<u>6,043</u>	<u>6,426</u>

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5. Resources expended

<i>Current Year</i>	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2025
	£	£	£
Direct costs:			
Insurance	3,460	0	3,460
Repairs & Maintenance	42,709	0	42,709
Event expenses	2,016	927	2,943
Utilities	15,914	0	15,914
Health & Safety	1,330	0	1,330
Donations	0	10,617	10,617
Legal and Professional Fees	3,744	0	3,744
Depreciation	93,166	0	93,166
Governance costs	0	2,280	2,280
	<u>162,339</u>	<u>13,824</u>	<u>176,163</u>
	<u><u>162,339</u></u>	<u><u>13,824</u></u>	<u><u>176,163</u></u>
<i>Prior Year</i>	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2024
	£	£	£
Direct costs:			
Insurance	3,707	0	3,707
Repairs & Maintenance	37,894	0	37,894
Event expenses	1,763	0	1,763
Utilities	19,165	0	19,165
Health & Safety	935	0	935
Donations	0	45,194	45,194
Legal and Professional Fees	3,120	0	3,120
Depreciation	92,777	0	92,777
Governance costs	0	1,080	1,080
	<u>159,361</u>	<u>46,274</u>	<u>205,635</u>
	<u><u>159,361</u></u>	<u><u>46,274</u></u>	<u><u>205,635</u></u>

Governance costs include £1,680 (2024: £1,080) in respect of independent examiner's fees.

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6. Fixed assets

	Freehold Property	Freehold Land Nyton	Equipment	Total
Cost				
B/f at 06/04/2024	1,745,098	22,304	195,044	1,962,446
Additions	0	0	4,662	4,662
Disposals	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2025	<u>1,745,098</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>199,706</u>	<u>1,967,108</u>
Depreciation				
B/f at 06/04/2024	690,955	0	185,031	875,986
Charge for the year	86,629	0	6,537	93,166
Impairment	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2025	<u>777,584</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>191,568</u>	<u>969,152</u>
Net book value				
At 5 April 2025	<u>967,514</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>8,138</u>	<u>997,956</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>1,054,143</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>10,013</u>	<u>1,086,460</u>
Freehold Property:				
	Title No	Cost		
Nyton Road	WSX 305125	1,365,038		
Yapton Road	WSX 199813	380,060		
		<u>1,745,098</u>		

7. Loans

	2025 £	2024 £
Chalcraft Gospel Hall Trust	222,000	222,000
TOTAL	<u>222,000</u>	<u>222,000</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
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8. Analysis of net assets between funds

8.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	997,956	0	0	997,956
Current assets	628,447	0	0	628,447
Current liabilities	(1,680)	0	0	(1,680)
Long term liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total funds	<u>1,624,723</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,624,723</u>

8.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	1,086,460	0	0	1,086,460
Current assets	389,306	0	0	389,306
Current liabilities	840	0	0	840
Long term liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total funds	<u>1,476,606</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,476,606</u>

9. Movement in funds

9.1 Current year

	Balance at 6 April 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses	Balance at 5 April 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0
Designated funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	1,476,606	330,323	(182,206)	0	1,624,723
Total funds	<u>1,476,606</u>	<u>330,323</u>	<u>(182,206)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,624,723</u>

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9.2 *Prior year*

	Balance at 6 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses	Balance at 5 April 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0
Designated funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	1,354,871	333,796	(212,061)	0	1,476,606
Total funds	1,354,871	333,796	(212,061)	0	1,476,606

10. Transactions with related parties

During the year there were donations totalling £60,500 (2024: £55,620) from Trustees, related parties, and businesses controlled by the Trustees.

During the year reimbursements were made totalling £4,013 (2024: £6,018) to Trustees and persons related to them. These were made at arms length.

11. Volunteers

Springfield Gospel Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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12. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:				
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>				
Collections		0	0	0
Contributions from the congregation		269,136	0	269,136
Gift Aid donations		51,685	0	51,685
Income tax refunds		12,921	0	12,921
Donated services		0	0	0
Other donations		0	0	0
Grants from other Trusts		0	0	0
<i>Investments</i>				
Bank interest		54	0	54
<i>Other</i>		0	0	0
Total		333,796	0	333,796
Expenditure on:				
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
Running meeting rooms	5	159,361	0	159,361
Charitable events	5	46,274	0	46,274
Cost of donated services	4	6,426	0	6,426
Total		212,061	0	212,061
Net income/(expenditure)		121,735	0	121,735
Gains/(losses) on sale of fixed assets		0	0	0
Net movement in funds		121,735	0	121,735
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		1,354,871	0	1,354,871
Total funds carried forward		1,476,606	0	1,476,606

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Springfield Gospel Trust

Report of the Trustees For the year ended 5 April 2024

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 11-12 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 22 June 2004, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 28 February 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 3 June 2015 under Charity Registration Number: 1161969.

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 2024 (2023: £nil).

The Trust operates 2 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 similar charities with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Charity. The Charity also maintains particular links with Chalcraft 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 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.

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Report of the trustees (continued) For the year ended 5 April 2024

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. Details of public benefit activities carried out by this Trust can be found in the separate appendix to this report.

Main activities and achievements

The Trust provides and maintains 2 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 Trust has continued to engage with the congregation and visitors and encouraging good works by them which benefit the wider community, as described in the annexed report.

Plans for future periods

Despite the increased cost of energy, the trustees feel that these increased costs are not significantly impacting on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

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 40 and 800 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 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.

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.

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).

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Report of the trustees (continued) For the year ended 5 April 2024

Objectives and activities

(continued)

- 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

In the year ended 5 April 2024 the Trust had a surplus of incoming resources over resources expended. This was due to contributions in during the year towards a new gospel hall.

Total voluntary income received this year was £333,742 compared to £158,007 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. The Trustees have a programme of raising further funds by way of donations and collections, and if necessary, loans, in order to fund intended projects, including future plans as referred to below.

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 £390,146 (2023: £177,553).

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Report of the trustees (continued) For the year ended 5 April 2024

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

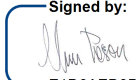
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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:

Signed by:

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Hamish Penson
Trustee

Date: 2/3/2025

Springfield Gospel Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees For the year ended 5 April 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Springfield Gospel Trust for the year ending 5 April 2024.

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.

DocuSigned by:

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Mike Prior FCA

2/3/2025

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Statement of financial activities For the year ended 5 April 2024

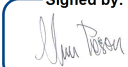
	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>					
Collections		0	0	0	0
Contributions from the congregation		269,136	0	269,136	134,921
Gift Aid donations		51,685	0	51,685	14,415
Income tax refunds		12,921	0	12,921	6,121
Donated services		0	0	0	0
Other donations		0	0	0	2,550
Grants from other Trusts		0	0	0	0
<i>Investments</i>					
Bank interest		54	0	54	6,158
<i>Other</i>		0	0	0	0
Total		333,796	0	333,796	164,165
Expenditure on:					
<i>Charitable activities</i>					
Running meeting rooms	5	159,361	0	159,361	150,929
Charitable events	5	46,274	0	46,274	17,189
Cost of donated services	4	6,426	0	6,426	23,382
Total		212,061	0	212,061	191,500
Net income/(expenditure)		121,735	0	121,735	(27,335)
Gains/(losses) on sale of fixed assets		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		121,735	0	121,735	(27,335)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		1,354,871	0	1,354,871	1,382,206
Total funds carried forward		1,476,606	0	1,476,606	1,354,871

The notes on pages 11 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.

Springfield Gospel Trust**Balance sheet
As at 5 April 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets		0	0
Tangible fixed assets	6	<u>1,086,460</u>	<u>1,177,318</u>
		1,086,460	1,177,318
Current assets			
Debtors:			
Loan	7	222,000	0
Prepayments and accrued income		12,921	6,121
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>154,385</u>	<u>172,296</u>
		389,306	178,417
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Other creditors		0	0
Accruals and deferred income		840	(864)
Loans		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net current assets		390,146	177,553
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>1,476,606</u>	<u>1,354,871</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loans		0	0
Net assets	8	<u><u>1,476,606</u></u>	<u><u>1,354,871</u></u>
Funds			
Unrestricted income fund		1,476,606	1,354,871
Designated funds		0	0
Restricted funds		0	0
Total charity funds	9	<u><u>1,476,606</u></u>	<u><u>1,354,871</u></u>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Springfield Gospel Hall Trust on 2/3/2025 and signed on their behalf by

Signed by:

 Hamish Penson
 Trustee

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of these financial statements

Springfield Gospel Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 5 April 2024

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 Springfield 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% per annum reducing balance
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Springfield Gospel Trust

**Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 5 April 2024**

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.

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements
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.

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 (2023: None).

3. Wages and salaries
There are no employees (2023: none).

4. Donated services

	2024	2023
	£	£
Chalcrafft Gospel Hall Trust	6,426	23,382
	<u>6,426</u>	<u>23,382</u>

Springfield Gospel Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 5 April 2024

5. Resources expended

<i>Current Year</i>	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2024
	£	£	£
Direct costs:			
Insurance	3,707	0	3,707
Repairs & Maintenance	37,894	0	37,894
Event expenses	1,763	0	1,763
Utilities	19,165	0	19,165
Health & Safety	935	0	935
Donations	0	45,194	45,194
Legal and Professional Fees	3,120	0	3,120
Depreciation	92,777	0	92,777
Governance costs	<u>0</u>	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,080</u>
	<u>159,361</u>	<u>46,274</u>	<u>205,635</u>
<i>Prior Year</i>	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2023
	£	£	£
Direct costs:			
Insurance	2,250	0	2,250
Repairs & Maintenance	19,258	0	19,258
Event expenses	2,613	0	2,613
Utilities	17,968	0	17,968
Health & Safety	2,348	0	2,348
Donations	0	16,325	16,325
Legal and Professional Fees	3,768	0	3,768
Depreciation	102,724	0	102,724
Governance costs	<u>0</u>	<u>864</u>	<u>864</u>
	<u>150,929</u>	<u>17,189</u>	<u>168,118</u>

Governance costs include £1,080 (2023: £935) in respect of independent examiner's fees.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 5 April 2024

6. Fixed assets

	Freehold Property	Freehold Land Nyton	Equipment	Total
Cost				
B/f at 06/04/2023	1,745,098	22,304	193,124	1,960,526
Additions	0	0	1,920	1,920
Disposals	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2024	1,745,098	22,304	195,044	1,962,446
Depreciation				
B/f at 06/04/2023	604,326	0	178,883	783,209
Charge for the year	86,629	0	6,148	92,777
Impairment	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2024	690,955	0	185,031	875,986
Net book value				
At 5 April 2024	1,054,143	22,304	10,013	1,086,460
At 5 April 2023	1,140,772	22,304	14,241	1,177,317
Freehold Property:	Title No	Cost		
Nyton Road	WSX 305125	1,365,038		
Yapton Road	WSX 199813	380,060		
		<u>1,745,098</u>		

7. Loans

	2024	2023
	£	£
Chalcraft Gospel Hall Trust	222,000	0
TOTAL	222,000	0

Springfield Gospel Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 5 April 2024

8. Analysis of net assets between funds

8.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	1,086,460	0	0	1,086,460
Current assets	389,306	0	0	389,306
Current liabilities	840	0	0	840
Long term liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total funds	1,476,606	0	0	1,476,606

8.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	1,177,318	0	0	1,177,318
Current assets	178,417	0	0	178,417
Current liabilities	(864)	0	0	(864)
Long term liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total funds	1,354,871	0	0	1,354,871

9. Movement in funds

9.1 Current year

	Balance at 6 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses	Balance at 5 April 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0
Designated funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	1,354,871	333,796	(212,061)	0	1,476,606
Total funds	1,354,871	333,796	(212,061)	0	1,476,606

Springfield Gospel Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 5 April 2024

9.2 Prior year

	Balance at 6 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses	Balance at 5 April 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0
Designated funds	495	2,805	(3,300)	0	0
Unrestricted funds	1,381,711	161,360	(188,200)	0	1,354,871
Total funds	1,382,206	164,165	(191,500)	0	1,354,871

10. Transactions with related parties

During the year there were donations totalling £55,620 (2023: £25,555) from Trustees, related parties, and businesses controlled by the Trustees.

During the year reimbursements were made totalling £6,018 (2023: £4081) to Trustees and persons related to them. These were made at arms length.

11. Volunteers

Springfield Gospel Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 5 April 2024

12. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:				
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>				
Collections		0	0	0
Contributions from the congregation		132,116	2,805	134,921
Gift Aid donations		14,415	0	14,415
Income tax refunds		6,121	0	6,121
Donated services		0	0	0
Other donations		2,550	0	2,550
Grants from other Trusts		0	0	0
<i>Investments</i>				
Bank interest		6,158		6,158
<i>Other</i>		0	0	0
Total		161,360	2,805	164,165
Expenditure on:				
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
Running meeting rooms	5	150,929	0	150,929
Charitable events	5	13,889	3,300	17,189
Cost of donated services	4	23,382	0	23,382
Total		188,200	3,300	191,500
Net income/(expenditure)		(26,840)	(495)	(27,335)
Gains/(losses) on sale of fixed assets		0	0	0
Net movement in funds		(26,840)	(495)	(27,335)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		1,381,711	495	1,382,206
Total funds carried forward		1,354,871	0	1,354,871

Public Benefit Report

Springfield Gospel Trust

Springfield Gospel Trust Public Benefit

The purpose of this factual presentation, is to show how the Springfield Gospel Trust community engage in many acts of public benefit and interact with the wider community in so many ways.

The Plymouth Brethren were established in 1828 when John Nelson Darby broke with the established Church in Dublin. Darby and others formed a fellowship based on the strict observance of Christian teachings as set out in the Holy Scriptures. Darby came to Plymouth in the early 1830s and the congregation grew rapidly. Early publications were produced in Plymouth and distributed to other congregations of followers throughout the globe.



Introduction

There are over 18,000 Plymouth Brethren members in the UK, spread across 87 locations. These locations can be found on the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church (PBCC) UK Site.



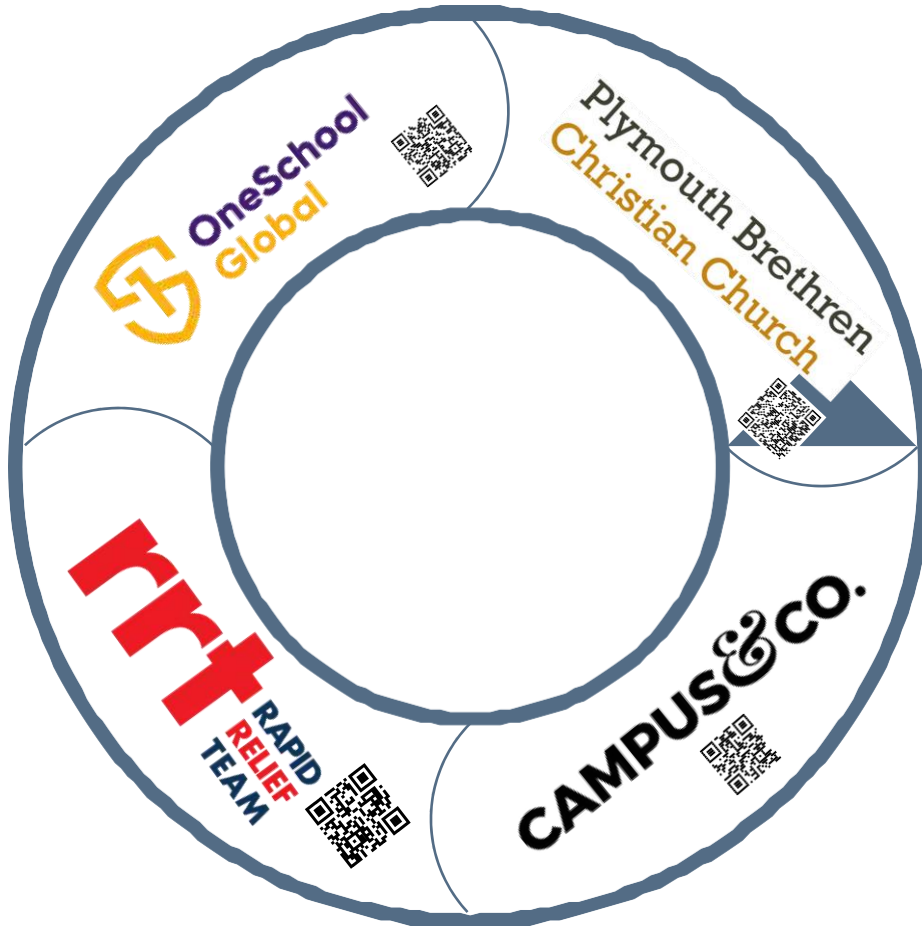
There have been Brethren Gospel, or meeting halls in the Bognor Regis and Chichester areas for around 150 years.

The Springfield Gospel Trust was formed in 2004 to acquire buildings to be used for the advancement of the Christian religion by carrying on the service of God, including the celebration of the Lord's Supper, Gospel Preachings, Bible Readings and addresses on the Word of God and other meetings of a Christian religious character according to the injunctions contained in the Holy Scriptures and the tenets and practices of those Christians forming a worldwide fellowship known as Plymouth Brethren.

The Springfield Gospel congregation is one of the smaller congregations in the UK, with 211 members living in the local areas; however, with residents from the Haslemere and Guildford areas attending services up to three times a week, together with other visitors, numbers attending services regularly approach 800 persons, from young babies to nonagenarians.



Our Network



To read more on the PBCC way of life, visit the <https://www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org> website.

Street Preaching and Tract Distribution

Street Preaching

Street Preaching has been actively promoted by the Plymouth brethren for many years, at least from the 1920's, and today is enthusiastically supported by members of the Springfield Gospel Trust congregation, as we seek to follow the example set out by our Lord Jesus Christ (Luke ch4 v17-20)

The essential activity of publicly preaching the name of Jesus and God's wonderful Gospel indiscriminately, gives joy and encouragement to our daily lives; as having personally proved the tangible benefit and immense improvement believing in Jesus brings, we seek to highlight the availability of Jesus to all mankind.

Currently the main chosen location is on Bognor town Centre. Street preachings have been held here since the 1990s.

Romans 10v13; "For everyone whosoever, who shall call on the name of the Lord, shall be saved"

The aim of the street preaching is not to recruit additional members for the Plymouth Brethren but to present eternal salvation as available to all men by faith in Jesus Christ and His blood and His work of atonement.

Tract Distribution

Members of the congregation have continued to hand out tracts to neighbours and people in need when they have met them.

Tracts are available for download on the below website:
<https://christiandocctrineandgospelpublishing.org/>

Outreach

In our outreach program, we have engaged with centres for the homeless and the vulnerable.

At the heart of our Community is the commitment to care and compassion, as we recognise the rights of all humanity within society. Members of the Congregation dedicate their time volunteering through our charitable arm, Rapid Relief Team (RRT) and contribute financially to many causes. As Springfield Gospel Trust we actively seek opportunities to support our local community from cleaning road signs to donating to local charities.

See below statistics from our outreach program, in 2024.

Springfield Gospel Trust Public benefit

- Food donations to the Stone Pillow Trust.
- **RRT Donations** to White Meadows Primary Academy in Littlehampton – 40 food boxes, 500 water bottles, 10 care kits, 500 smart bars, 1 x EBL Kits. Stone Pillow Event serving burgers to volunteers who were raising money for the homeless charity Stone Pillow. KSS Air Ambulance Event for walkers.
- Aldingbourne litter pick, see pictures below.
- Walberton litter pick, see pictures below.

Images from the Litter Pick events in Walberton & Aldingbourne



Walberton Parish Council

Update for November 2024 from September meetings

Extracts from the minutes of the General Purposes (3rd), Full Council (17th) and Planning (24th September) meetings

Presentations were received from the Parochial Church Council regarding upgrading the Church heating to improve efficiency and reduce costs, and from the proposers for the Planning Application at Lower Farm, Yapton.

8 planning applications were considered. The extension of the glasshouses at Lower Farm will be supported. No objection will be raised against the outline application for the site in East Fontwell solely because it is a Neighbourhood Plan site; a set of planning conditions will be requested to address ongoing concerns.

Walberton Parish Councils' response to the NPPF consultation was agreed.

A Youth Initiatives meeting has been arranged with younger members of the community and determine what they might like to see in the Parish.

An update was received regarding construction HGV issues in the Parish.

WPC granted permission for use of the playing field for fireworks and access to water to douse the bonfire. WPC is grateful the Village Hall has been able to hold the event again.

WPC will contact the relevant authorities to request proactive maintenance of drainage before the winter.

Arrangements for the Litter Pick in conjunction with the Rapid Relief Team were finalised.

Lockable bollards have been arranged for the Fontwell Meadows car park. Volunteers have come forward to help manage the centre and allotments.

The Section 137 Grant Awarding Policy was reviewed ready for the application window running 1st-31st October.

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Aldingbourne Parish Council

Delville Oak, litter picking, new signs & bins

Bins at Aldingbourne Community Sports Centre

Following a review, the parish council would like to add an additional bin in the playground, agreed by ACSC. As part of this dialogue a request was made to ask if the parish council would also provide new bins at the ACSC in general – an in-principal agreement was given by all councillors, but the numbers and costings will be researched and reported at the next meeting.

Litter Picking Event

The Plymouth Brethren were invited to help and provide volunteers for the litter picking event on 26th October. Poppy wreaths were also put up on lamp posts throughout the parish.

Agreed payments and costs

The cost of £270 was approved by all councillors for a design of new playground signs via Wilbar Associates (as requested by the insurance company and wording provided).

A cost of up to £275 for the purchases of additional hanging baskets for the new bus

shelters and a cost of £350 per annum for planting was approved by all councillors.

A cost of up to £100 for further planting throughout the parish was approved by all councillors.

A cost of up to £1,500 for the purchase of a new lockable Parish Noticeboard to go on the back of one bus shelter was approved by all councillors.

Delville Oak Ceremony 10th November 2pm

A brass plaque was ordered at the end of September. An ad will be put in the parish magazine to let residents know that a ceremony will be held on Sunday 10th November 2024 at 2.00 pm at the Church.

Parish council vacancies

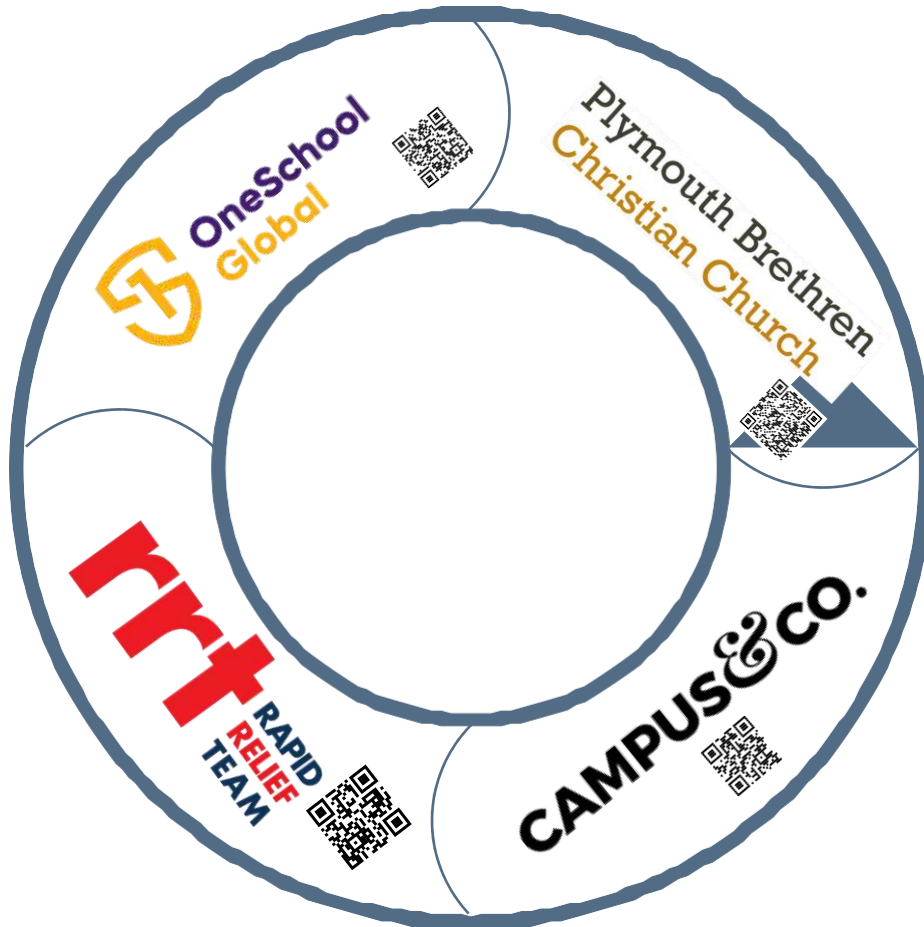
In September, the parish council had two vacancies. It was suggested that a flyer be included in the Parish Booklet. This was agreed in principle with the design discussed in early October. A cost of up to £1k was approved by all councillors in attendance.

Other Events supported by members of our Congregation





**Registered Address:
The Gospel Hall, Nyton Road, Aldingbourne,
Chichester, PO20 3TX**



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SPRINGFIELD GOSPEL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1161969

Accounts

Charity Registration No: 1161969

Springfield Gospel Trust
Report of the trustees and
unaudited financial statements
Year ended 5 April 2023

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Springfield Gospel Trust

Reference and administrative information
For the year ended 5 April 2023

Charity name	Springfield Gospel Trust
Registered charity number	1161969
Trustees	Nick Clarke (Chair) Ian King Edwin Kerkham Russell Wickland Hamish Penson
Treasurer	Hamish Penson
Principal address	The Gospel Hall Nyton Road Aldingbourne PO20 3TX
Independent examiner	Z Derbak Independent Examiners Limited Unit 2 The Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham PO18 8NF
Bankers	Cater Allan Private Bank Bridle Road Bootle L30 4GB

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 10-11 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 22 June 2004, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 28 February 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 3 June 2015 under Charity Registration Number: 1161969.

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 2. None of the Trustees, nor any person connected with them, received any remuneration or expenses from the Charity in the year ended 5 April 2023 (2022: £nil).

The Trust operates 2 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 similar charities with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Charity. The Charity also maintains particular links with Chalcraft 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 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.

Springfield Gospel Trust

Report of the trustees
For the year ended 5 April 2023

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 2 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 Trust's main achievement this year has been an increased programme of opening the halls to the congregation and visitors when compared to the past two years, and encouraging good works by them which benefit the wider community, as described below.

The trustees have also operated an Emergency Needs fund for the duration of the coronavirus 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

Despite the increased cost of energy, the trustees feel that these increased costs are not significantly impacting on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

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 40 and 800 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(s) 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.

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.

In addition to street preaching, members of the congregation have participated in packing personal hygiene kits for the Rapid Relief Team, which have been distributed to Front-line emergency services in the UK, and to displaced persons in Ukraine, amongst other causes. The Rapid Relief Team is a separate charity with aligned charitable purpose and we are very pleased to encourage our congregation to support their work.

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

In the year ended 5 April 2023, the Trust had a deficit of £27,335 incoming resources over resources expended. This is mainly attributable to non-monetary items such as depreciation of fixed assets which totalled £102,724 in this financial year. Total voluntary income received this year was £158,007 compared to £115,013 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. Accordingly, the Trustees have decided to adopt a policy of maintaining a reserve equivalent to 6 months running costs, which is estimated at £42,500. 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 £177,553. This figure represents the net current assets held. The Trust is holding a slight accumulation of funds in view of anticipated capital expenditure.

Springfield Gospel Trust

Report of the trustees
For the year ended 5 April 2023

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

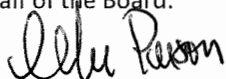
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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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Mr H Penson
Trustee

Date: 26 JANUARY 2024

Springfield Gospel Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees
For the year ended 5 April 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Springfield Gospel Trust for the year ended 5 April 2023.

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').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

BASIS OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S 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 of 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 statements 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.

Signed: *Zita Derbak*

Date: 27.01.2024

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Springfield Gospel Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 5 April 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations						
Contributions from the congregation		132,116	2,805	0	134,921	114,671
Gift Aid donations		14,415	0	0	14,415	0
Income tax refunds - on current year donations		3,604	0	0	3,604	0
Income tax refunds - on prior year/s donations		2,517	0	0	2,517	0
Contributions to running costs		0	0	0	0	342
Contributions to conference costs		2,550	0	0	2,550	0
Investments						
Other						
		6,158	0	0	6,158	0
Total		161,360	2,805	0	164,165	115,013
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Meeting rooms - running costs	5	61,230	0	0	61,230	41,553
Meeting rooms - depreciation	5	102,724	0	0	102,724	102,695
Other charitable expenditure	5	0	3,300	0	3,300	7,950
Cost of donated services	4	23,382	0	0	23,382	9,400
Raising Funds						
Loan interest and bank charges		0	0	0	0	0
Governance						
Independent Examiners Fees	5	864	0	0	864	834
Other						
Loss on sale of fixed asset held for charity's own use		0	0	0	0	0
Total		188,200	3,300	0	191,500	162,432
Net income/(expenditure)		-26,840	-495	0	-27,335	-47,419
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		-26,840	-495	0	-27,335	-47,419
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		1,381,711	495	0	1,382,206	1,429,625
Total funds carried forward		1,354,871	0	0	1,354,871	1,382,206


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.

Springfield Gospel Trust

Balance Sheet
As at 5 April 2022

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	6	<u>1,177,318</u>	<u>1,279,705</u>
Current assets			
Debtors:			
Gift aid tax recoverable		6,121	80
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>172,296</u>	<u>103,255</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Accruals and deferred income		864	834
Net current assets		<u>177,553</u>	<u>102,501</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		1,354,871	1,382,206
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loans		0	0
Net assets		<u><u>1,354,871</u></u>	<u><u>1,382,206</u></u>
Funds			
Unrestricted income fund		1,354,871	1,381,711
Unrestricted designated fund		0	495
Restricted fund		0	0
Total unrestricted funds	9	<u><u>1,354,871</u></u>	<u><u>1,382,206</u></u>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Springfield Gospel Trust on 26 JANUARY 2024 signed on their behalf by:



Mr H Penson
Trustee

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

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Second edition of the 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) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and UK Generally Accepted 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 notes.

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 Springfield Gospel 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 £250 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	3.33% straight line
Improvements to property	8.33% straight line
Fixtures and Fittings	8.33% straight line

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.

The designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees. There is one unrestricted designated fund that was established by the trustees in the previous financial year, the Emergency Needs Fund, which was created to provide 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.

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 income of the group does not exceed the threshold of £1million and therefore there is no requirement to prepare group accounts. Further details of the subsidiary are given in note 7.

1.9 Going concern

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

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements

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.

2 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

No trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity. Two trustees was reimbursed a total of £3,413, and one related party was reimbursed for goods and services purchased on behalf of the Trust in the value of £1,200 (2022: One trustees was reimbursed £4,147).

3 Wages and salaries

There are no employees (2022: none).

4 Donated services

<i>Donated to:</i>	2023 £	2022 £
Chalcraft Gospel Hall Trust	23,382	9,400
	<u>23,382</u>	<u>9,400</u>

5 Resources expended

	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2023 £	2022 £
	£	£	£	£
Direct costs				
- Donations and Gifts	0	3,300	3,300	7,950
- Alarm and Fire Safety	2,348	0	2,348	3,236
- Repairs and Maintenance	12,030	0	12,030	25,748
- Electrical and Lighting Costs	17,251	0	17,251	0
- Janitorial and Cleaning	6,827	0	6,827	1,543
- Insurance	2,250	0	2,250	2,098
- Utilities and Water	0	0	0	6,296
- Telephone	717	0	717	590
- Conference	2,613	0	2,613	0
- Covid Test kits	11,275	0	11,275	0
- Legal and Professional Costs	3,768	0	3,768	1,778
- Bibles and Tracts	1,750	0	1,750	0
- Equipment and Software	401	0	401	264
	<u>61,230</u>	<u>3,300</u>	<u>64,530</u>	<u>49,503</u>
- Depreciation	<u>102,724</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>102,724</u>	<u>102,695</u>
Support costs				
- Administration and Sundry	0	0	0	0
Governance				
- Independent Examiner Fees	864	0	864	834
	<u>164,818</u>	<u>3,300</u>	<u>168,118</u>	<u>153,032</u>

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Property and Improvements £	Freehold Land £	Furniture, fixtures & Equipment fittings £	£	Total £
Cost					
Brought forward at 06-Apr-22	1,745,098	22,304	191,145	1,642	1,960,189
Additions	0	0	0	337	337
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2023	<u>1,745,098</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>191,145</u>	<u>1,979</u>	<u>1,960,526</u>
Depreciation					
Brought forward at 06-Apr-22	517,695	0	162,378	411	680,484
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
Charge for the year	86,630	0	15,929	165	102,724
At 5 April 2023	<u>604,325</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>178,307</u>	<u>576</u>	<u>783,208</u>
Net book value At 5 April 2023	<u>1,140,773</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>12,838</u>	<u>1,403</u>	<u>1,177,318</u>
At 5 April 2022	<u>1,227,403</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>28,767</u>	<u>1,231</u>	<u>1,279,705</u>

Property Details:

Land registry titles of the above properties held are WSX305125 and WSX199813.

7. Fixed Asset Investments**Shares in group undertakings**

COST	£
At 6 April 2022 and 5 April 2023	4

SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the charity:

Name	Holding
BGH Construction Limited	100%

The aggregate of the share capital and reserves as at 5 April 2023 and the profit or loss for the period ended on that date for the subsidiary undertakings were as follows:

Name	Aggregate of share capital and reserves	Profit/ (loss)
	£	£
BGH Construction Limited	4	0

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

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	1,177,318	0	1,177,318
Current assets	178,417	0	178,417
Current liabilities	-864	0	-864
Total funds	<u>1,354,871</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,354,871</u>

8.2 *Prior year*

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	1,279,705	0	1,279,705
Current assets	103,335	0	103,335
Current liabilities	-834	0	-834
Total funds	<u>1,382,206</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,382,206</u>

9 Movement in funds**9.1** *Current year*

	Balance at 6 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses £	Transfers between funds £	Balance at 5 April 2023 £
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted general funds	1,381,711	158,555	-188,200	0	0	1,352,066
Unrestricted designated funds	495	2,805	-3,300	0	0	0
Total funds	<u>1,382,206</u>	<u>161,360</u>	<u>-191,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,352,066</u>

9.2 *Prior year*

	Balance at 6 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses £	Transfers between funds £	Balance at 5 April 2022 £
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted general funds	1,422,780	113,413	-154,482	0	0	1,381,711
Unrestricted designated funds	6,845	1,600	-7,950	0	0	495
Total funds	<u>1,429,625</u>	<u>115,013</u>	<u>-162,432</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,382,206</u>

10 Transactions with related parties

(i) Loans

During the financial year end 5 April 2023 the Trust did not enter into any loan arrangements with trustees or related parties.

(ii) Services

During the financial year end 5 April 2023, The Trust did not pay anything to any trustees or related parties for services rendered or supplies procured (2022: £ Nil)

Aggregate donations without conditions totalling £25,535 were received from Trustees and Related Parties during the year.

(iii) Wholly owned subsidiary

A detailed review of transactions with our subsidiary BGH Construction revealed an old sum owing since 2007 relating to a completion surplus on the construction of the gospel hall at Nyton Road. This sum of £6,158 has been repaid during the current year.

There have been no other related party transactions during this reporting period that require disclosure (2022: None).

11 Volunteers

Springfield Gospel Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

SPRINGFIELD GOSPEL TRUST

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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 Chalcraft Gospel Hall Trust, with which it shares members of its congregation. Chalcraft Gospel Hall Trust registered as a charity on 10th June 2022 under registration number 1199254.

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 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.

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The Trust provides and maintains 2 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 Trust's main achievement this year included extensive works waterproofing the air conditioning ducts located under the main building at Nyton Road Hall, to ensure the health and wellbeing of the congregation and visitors. Due to ill health our member who had for many years, maintained links with prison and hospital chaplains, was forced to retire. The Trust has appointed another member to continue co-ordination of this good work.

The trustees have also operated an Emergency Needs fund for the duration of the coronavirus pandemic and any resultant ongoing economic difficulties. This has provided 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 or job loss, 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

With the relaxing of lockdown restrictions in the UK the trust commenced using the gospel hall again. During the financial year, restrictions were eased sufficiently to allow the congregation to use the gospel hall for the Lord's Supper (Communion). The use of the halls was conducted in a manner which always complied with the government guidance, and the trust intends to continue using the hall fully when 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

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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

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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.

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.

In addition to street preaching, members of the congregation have maintained links with prison chaplains to provide Christian literature and have also participated in many activities with the Rapid Relief Team. Not least the plight of our fellow men in Ukraine touched our hearts and many members of the congregation were involved in packing Care kits which were sent out as part of RRT Operation 322.

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

In the year ended 5 April 2022, the Trust had a deficit of £47,419 incoming resources over resources expended. This is mainly attributable to non-monetary items such as depreciation of fixed assets which totalled £102,695 in this financial year. Total voluntary income received this year was £115,013 compared to £122,446 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. Accordingly, the Trustees have decided to adopt a policy of maintaining a reserve equivalent to 6 months running costs, which is estimated at £42,500. 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 £102,501. This figure represents the net current assets held. The Trust is holding a slight accumulation of funds in view of anticipated capital expenditure.

Springfield Gospel Trust

Report of the trustees
For the year ended 5 April 2022

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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Mr H Penson
Trustee

Date: 03 Feb 2023

Springfield Gospel Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees
For the year ended 5 April 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Springfield Gospel Trust for the year ended 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').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

BASIS OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S 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 of 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 statements 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.

Signed.........., date...3rd February 2023.....

Independent Examiners Limited
Unit 2 The Broadbridge Business Centre
Delling Lane
Bosham
PO18 8NF

Springfield Gospel Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 5 April 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations						
Contributions from the congregation		113,071	1,600	0	114,671	120,570
Grants received		0	0	0	0	0
Gift Aid donations		0	0	0	0	320
Income tax refunds - on current year donations		0	0	0	0	80
Income tax refunds - on prior year/s donations		0	0	0	0	0
Contributions to running costs		342	0	0	342	1,476
Contributions to conference costs		0	0	0	0	0
Investments						
Bank interest		0	0	0	0	0
Other						
		0	0	0	0	15,042
Total		113,413	1,600	0	115,013	137,488
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Meeting rooms - running costs	5	41,553	0	0	41,553	49,385
Meeting rooms - depreciation	5	102,695	0	0	102,695	76,781
Other charitable expenditure	5	0	7,950	0	7,950	5,925
Cost of donated services	4	9,400	0	0	9,400	5,352
Raising Funds						
Loan interest and bank charges		0	0	0	0	0
Governance						
Independent Examiners Fees	5	834	0	0	834	792
Other						
Loss on sale of fixed asset held for charity's own use		0	0	0	0	0
Total		154,482	7,950	0	162,432	138,235
Net income/(expenditure)		-41,069	-6,350	0	-47,419	-747
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		-41,069	-6,350	0	-47,419	-747
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		1,422,780	6,845	0	1,429,625	1,430,372
Total funds carried forward		1,381,711	495	0	1,382,206	1,429,625

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.

Springfield Gospel Trust

Balance Sheet
As at 5 April 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	6	<u>1,279,705</u>	<u>1,382,400</u>
Current assets			
Debtors:			
Gift aid tax recoverable		80	80
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>103,255</u>	<u>65,037</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Accruals and deferred income		834	792
Net current assets		<u>102,501</u>	<u>64,325</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>1,382,206</u>	<u>1,446,725</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loans		0	17,100
Net assets		<u><u>1,382,206</u></u>	<u><u>1,429,625</u></u>
Funds			
Unrestricted income fund		1,381,711	1,422,780
Unrestricted designated fund		495	6,845
Restricted fund		0	0
Total unrestricted funds	9	<u><u>1,382,206</u></u>	<u><u>1,429,625</u></u>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Springfield Gospel Trust on 03 FEB 2023 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



Mr H Penson
Trustee

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

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Second edition of the 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) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and UK Generally Accepted 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 notes.

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 Springfield Gospel 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 £250 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	3.33% straight line
Improvements to property	8.33% straight line
Fixtures and Fittings	8.33% straight line

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.

The designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees. There is one unrestricted designated fund that was established by the trustees in the previous financial year, the Emergency Needs Fund, which was created to provide 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.

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 income of the group does not exceed the threshold of £1million and therefore there is no requirement to prepare group accounts. Further details of the subsidiary are given in note 7.

1.9 Going concern

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

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements

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.

2 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

No trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity. One trustee was reimbursed a total of £4,147 for goods and services purchased on behalf of the Trust (2021: Two trustees were reimbursed £305).

3 Wages and salaries

There are no employees (2021: none).

4 Donated services

<i>Donated to:</i>	2022	2021
	£	£
Chalcraft Gospel Hall Trust	9,400	5,352
	<u>9,400</u>	<u>5,352</u>

5 Resources expended

	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Direct costs				
- Donations and Gifts	0	7,950	7,950	5,925
- Alarm and Fire Safety	3,236	0	3,236	2,223
- Repairs and Maintenance	25,748	0	25,748	25,059
- Electrical and Lighting Costs	0	0	0	0
- Janitorial and Cleaning	1,543	0	1,543	1,981
- Insurance	2,098	0	2,098	1,585
- Utilities and Water	6,296	0	6,296	13,096
- Telephone	590	0	590	1,468
- Legal and Professional Costs	1,778	0	1,778	3,408
- Bibles and Tracts	0	0	0	0
- Equipment and Software	264	0	264	565
	<u>41,553</u>	<u>7,950</u>	<u>49,503</u>	<u>55,310</u>
- Depreciation	<u>102,695</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>102,695</u>	<u>76,781</u>
Support costs				
- Administration and Sundry	0	0	0	0
Governance				
- Independent Examiner Fees	834	0	834	792
	<u>145,082</u>	<u>7,950</u>	<u>153,032</u>	<u>132,883</u>

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Property and Improvements £	Freehold Land £	Furniture, fixtures & Equipment fittings £	£	Total £
Cost					
Brought forward at 06-Apr-21	1,745,098	22,304	191,145	1,642	1,960,189
Additions	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2022	<u>1,745,098</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>191,145</u>	<u>1,642</u>	<u>1,960,189</u>
Depreciation					
Brought forward at 06-Apr-21	431,066	0	146,449	274	577,789
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
Charge for the year	86,629	0	15,929	137	102,695
At 5 April 2022	<u>517,695</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>162,378</u>	<u>411</u>	<u>680,484</u>
Net book value At 5 April 2022	<u>1,227,403</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>28,767</u>	<u>1,231</u>	<u>1,279,705</u>
At 5 April 2021	<u>1,314,032</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>44,696</u>	<u>1,368</u>	<u>1,382,400</u>

Property Details:

Land registry titles of the above properties held are WSX305125 and WSX199813.

7. Fixed Asset Investments**Shares in group undertakings**
£**COST**

At 6 April 2021 and 5 April 2022 4

SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the charity:

Name	Holding
BGH Construction Limited	100%

The aggregate of the share capital and reserves as at 5 April 2022 and the profit or loss for the period ended on that date for the subsidiary undertakings were as follows:

Name	Aggregate of share capital and reserves £	Profit/ (loss) £
BGH Construction Limited	4	0

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

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	1,279,705	0	1,279,705
Current assets	103,335	0	103,335
Current liabilities	-834	0	-834
Total funds	<u>1,382,206</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,382,206</u>

8.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	1,382,400	0	1,382,400
Current assets	65,117	0	65,117
Current liabilities	-792	0	-792
Long term liabilities	-17,100	0	-17,100
Total funds	<u>1,429,625</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,429,625</u>

9 Movement in funds**9.1 Current year**

	Balance at 6 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses £	Transfers between funds £	Balance at 5 April 2022 £
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted general funds	1,422,780	113,413	-154,482	0	0	1,381,711
Unrestricted designated funds	6,845	1,600	-7,950	0	0	495
Total funds	<u>1,429,625</u>	<u>115,013</u>	<u>-162,432</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,382,206</u>

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	Balance at 6 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses £	Transfers between funds £	Balance at 5 April 2021 £
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted general funds	1,430,372	124,718	-132,310	0	0	1,422,780
Unrestricted designated funds	0	12,770	-5,925	0	0	6,845
Total funds	<u>1,430,372</u>	<u>137,488</u>	<u>-138,235</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,429,625</u>

10 Transactions with related parties

(i) Loans

During the financial year end 5 April 2022 the Trust did not enter into any loan arrangements with trustees or related parties.

(ii) Services

During the financial year end 5 April 2022, The Trust did not pay anything to any trustees or related parties for services rendered or supplies procured (2021: £ Nil)

Aggregate donations without conditions totalling £12,000 were received from Trustees and Related Parties during the year.

(iii) Wholly owned subsidiary

During this financial year the Trust's wholly owned subsidiary BGH Construction Limited donated its annual profits of £5,071 to the Trust.

There have been no other related party transactions during this reporting period that require disclosure (2021: None).

11 Volunteers

Springfield Gospel Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

SPRINGFIELD GOSPEL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1161969

Accounts

Charity Registration No: 1161969

Springfield Gospel Trust
Report of the trustees and
unaudited financial statements
Year ended 5 April 2021

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Springfield Gospel Trust

Reference and administrative information
For the year ended 5 April 2021

Charity name	Springfield Gospel Trust
Registered charity number	1161969
Trustees	Nick Clarke (Chair) Ian King Edwin Kerkham Russell Wickland Hamish Penson
Treasurer	Hamish Penson
Principal address	The Gospel Hall Nyton Road Aldingbourne, PO20 3TX
Independent examiner	J Irvinesmith Independent Examiners Limited Unit 2 The Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham PO18 8NF
Bankers	Cater Allan Private Bank Bridle Road Bootle L30 4GB

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2021. 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

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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.

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.

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

In the year ended 5 April 2021, the Trust had a small deficit of £747 incoming resources over resources expended. This is mainly attributable to non-monetary items such as depreciation of fixed assets which totalled £76,781 in this financial year. Total voluntary income received this year was £122,446 compared to £118,703 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. Accordingly, the Trustees have decided to adopt a policy of maintaining a reserve of £25,000. 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 £64,325. This figure represents the net current assets held by the Trust.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

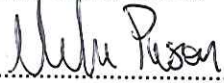
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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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Mr H Penson
Trustee

Date: 02/02/2022

Springfield Gospel Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees
For the year ended 5 April 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Springfield Gospel Trust for the year ended 5 April 2021.

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').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

BASIS OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S 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 of 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 statements 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.

Signed.........., date.....3rd February 2022.....

Springfield Gospel Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 5 April 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:					
Donations					
Contributions from the congregation	107,800	12,770	0	120,570	109,310
Grants received	0	0	0	0	0
Gift Aid donations	320	0	0	320	5,530
Income tax refunds - on current year donations	80	0	0	80	1,382
Income tax refunds - on prior year/s donations	0	0	0	0	0
Contributions to running costs	1,476	0	0	1,476	2,481
Contributions to conference costs	0	0	0	0	0
Investments					
Bank interest	0	0	0	0	492
Other	15,042	0	0	15,042	0
Total	124,718	12,770	0	137,488	119,195
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
Meeting rooms - running costs	5	49,385	0	49,385	40,083
Meeting rooms - depreciation	5	76,781	0	76,781	71,023
Other charitable expenditure	5	0	5,925	5,925	0
Cost of donated services	4	5,352	0	5,352	6,937
Raising Funds					
Loan interest and bank charges		0	0	0	0
Governance					
Independent Examiners Fees	5	792	0	792	780
Other					
Loss on sale of fixed asset held for charity's own use		0	0	0	0
Total	132,310	5,925	0	138,235	118,823
Net income/(expenditure)	-7,592	6,845	0	-747	372
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds	-7,592	6,845	0	-747	372
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward	1,430,372	0	0	1,430,372	1,430,000
Total funds carried forward	1,422,780	6,845	0	1,429,625	1,430,372

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.

Springfield Gospel Trust

Balance Sheet
As at 5 April 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	6	<u>1,382,400</u>	<u>1,079,121</u>
Current assets			
Debtors:			
Prepayments and accrued income		0	0
Gift aid tax recoverable		80	1,382
Loan to subsidiary		0	350,000
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>65,037</u>	<u>35,819</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Loans		0	0
Accruals and deferred income		792	1,650
Net current assets		<u>64,325</u>	<u>385,551</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>1,446,725</u>	<u>1,464,672</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loans		17,100	34,300
Net assets		<u><u>1,429,625</u></u>	<u><u>1,430,372</u></u>
Funds			
Unrestricted income fund		1,429,625	1,430,372
Restricted funds		0	0
Total unrestricted funds	7	<u><u>1,429,625</u></u>	<u><u>1,430,372</u></u>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of Springfield Gospel Trust on 2nd FEBRUARY 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



Mr H Penson
Trustee

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

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 notes.

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 Springfield Gospel 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 £250 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	3.33% straight line
Improvements to property	8.33% straight line
Fixtures and Fittings	8.33% straight line

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.

The designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees. There is one unrestricted designated fund that was established by the trustees in this financial year, the Emergency Needs Fund, which was created to provide 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.

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 income of the group does not exceed the threshold of £1million and therefore there is no requirement to prepare group accounts. Further details of the subsidiary are given in note 7.

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. From 18th March 2020, Springfield Gospel Trust ceased using the gospel hall, 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. Two Trustees were reimbursed a total of £305 for goods purchased on behalf of the Trust (2020: One Trustee was reimbursed £1,243).

3 Wages and salaries

There are no employees (2020: none).

4 Donated services

<i>Donated to:</i>	2021 £	2020 £
Chalcraft Gospel Hall Trust	5,352	6,937
	<u>5,352</u>	<u>6,937</u>

5 Resources expended

	Meeting rooms £	Other charitable activities £	2021 £	2020 £
Direct costs				
- Donations and Gifts	0	5,925	5,925	0
- Alarm and Fire Safety	2,223	0	2,223	2,516
- Repairs and Maintenance	25,059	0	25,059	6,850
- Electrical and Lighting Costs	0	0	0	5,072
- Janitorial and Cleaning	1,981	0	1,981	8,775
- Insurance	1,585	0	1,585	1,207
- Utilities and Water	13,096	0	13,096	10,021
- Telephone	1,468	0	1,468	2,016
- Legal and Professional Costs	3,408	0	3,408	2,060
- Bibles and Tracts	0	0	0	442
- Equipment and Software	565	0	565	1,124
	<u>49,385</u>	<u>5,925</u>	<u>55,310</u>	<u>40,083</u>
- Depreciation	<u>76,781</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>76,781</u>	<u>71,023</u>
Support costs				
- Administration and Sundry	0	0	0	0
Governance				
- Independent Examiner Fees	792	0	792	780
	<u>126,958</u>	<u>5,925</u>	<u>132,883</u>	<u>111,886</u>

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Property and Improvements £	Freehold Land £	Furniture, fixtures & Equipment fittings £	£	Total £
Cost					
Brought forward at 06-Apr-20	1,365,038	22,304	191,145	1,642	1,580,129
Additions	380,060	0	0	0	380,060
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2021	<u>1,745,098</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>191,145</u>	<u>1,642</u>	<u>1,960,189</u>
Depreciation					
Brought forward at 06-Apr-20	370,351	0	130,520	137	501,008
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
Charge for the year	60,715	0	15,929	137	76,781
At 5 April 2021	<u>431,066</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>146,449</u>	<u>274</u>	<u>577,789</u>
Net book value					
At 5 April 2021	<u>1,314,032</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>44,696</u>	<u>1,368</u>	<u>1,382,400</u>
At 5 April 2020	<u>994,687</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>60,625</u>	<u>1,505</u>	<u>1,079,121</u>

Property Details:

Land registry titles of the above properties held are WSX305125 and WSX199813.

7. Fixed Asset Investments**Shares in group undertakings**

COST	£
At 6 April 2020 and 5 April 2021	4

SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the charity:

Name	Holding
BGH Construction Limited	100%

The aggregate of the share capital and reserves as at 5 April 2021 and the estimated profit or loss for the period ended on that date for the subsidiary undertakings were as follows:

Name	Aggregate of share capital and reserves £	Profit/ (loss) £
BGH Construction Limited	21,519	21,515

* Note the reserves and profit is estimated from internal management accounts information, as the statutory accounts have not yet been completed. The financial year end date for BGH Construction Limited is 31st August 2021. The figures shown above reflect the estimated position at 5th April 2021.

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

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	1,382,400	0	1,382,400
Current assets	65,117	0	65,117
Current liabilities	-792	0	-792
Long term liabilities	-17,100	0	-17,100
Total funds	<u>1,429,625</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,429,625</u>

8.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	1,079,121	0	1,079,121
Current assets	387,201	0	387,201
Current liabilities	-1,650	0	-1,650
Long term liabilities	-34,300	0	-34,300
Total funds	<u>1,430,372</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,430,372</u>

9 Movement in funds**9.1 Current year**

	Balance at 6 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses £	Transfers between funds £	Balance at 5 April 2021 £
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	1,430,372	137,488	-138,235	0	0	1,429,625
Total funds	<u>1,430,372</u>	<u>137,488</u>	<u>-138,235</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,429,625</u>

9.2 Prior year

	Balance at 6 April 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses £	Transfers between funds £	Balance at 5 April 2020 £
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	1,430,000	119,195	-118,823	0	0	1,430,372
Total funds	<u>1,430,000</u>	<u>119,195</u>	<u>-118,823</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,430,372</u>

10 Transactions with related parties

(i) Loans

At the start of the year there was a loan of £350,000 owing to the Trust from its wholly-owned subsidiary BGH Construction Ltd in connection with the purchase of a property and construction of a new meeting hall.

In January 2021, the property was purchased by Springfield Gospel Trust and BGH Construction Ltd repaid the loan.

During the financial year end 5 April 2021 BGH Construction Ltd paid interest on the loan totalling £15,042.

At the end of the year there was £0 owing to the Trust from its subsidiary trading company.

(ii) Services

During the financial year end 5 April 2021, The Trust did not pay anything to any trustees or related parties for services rendered or supplies procured (2020: £ Nil)

Aggregate donations without conditions totalling £9,400 were received from Trustees and Related Parties during the year.

There have been no other related party transactions during this reporting period that require disclosure (2020: None).

11 Volunteers

Springfield Gospel Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.