

HARDWICK CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales · Charity number 1163049

Details

Other names HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-08-06

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

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH.

Activities: Our aim is the advancement of the Christian faith and other charitable work focusing mainly on Hardwick and nearby villages. We hold weekly Sunday morning services; meet in homes for study, discussion and prayer; link with pre- primary and secondary schools, Gracefield Care Home, and various community initiatives in the village, as well as various collaborations with local churches.

Classification

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

Geography

- Cambridgeshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£53,309	£52,128	-	-
2024-03-31	£36,922	£51,483	-	-
2023-03-31	£45,448	£53,362	-	-
2022-03-31	£38,941	£47,468	-	-
2021-03-31	£98,425	£56,867	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Elisabeth Pamplin		2025-04-01
Enid Catherine Instone-Brewer		2018-07-09
Rev Kathryn Hilary Gaze		2021-04-01
STEPHEN RICHARD GAZE		2015-08-16

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Hardwick Evangelical Church

Trustees' report 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Reference and Administrative details

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Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by constitution.

Every appointed charity trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a general meeting of the members of the CIO

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Revd K Gaze	Minister	
2	Mrs E Instone-Brewer	Secretary	
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Objectives of the charity

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Summary of the main activities of the charity

The church undertook the following activities and encouraged ordinary people to live out the faith as part of a local church through:

- Sunday morning worship and teaching services
- Meetings in homes for study, discussion and prayer
- Links with pre-schools, primary schools and secondary schools
- Links with various community initiatives in the village of Hardwick
- Various collaborations with other local churches

Details of the charity's activities

Financial review

At the end of the financial year 2024-2025, Net Current Assets were £147,391.

Receipts in the financial year amounted to £53,309 whilst payments amounted to £52,128. Full accounts have been prepared and submitted to the Charity Commission.

Receipts consisted predominantly of charitable giving from members and others who attend the church along with the Gift Aid tax recoverable on them. There were no significant gifts from individuals this year.

Payments include the salary of one part-time minister.

The charity seeks to maintain a minimum reserve of six months' salaries and related costs and committed expenditure for rental of the office.

The trustees have no concerns regarding the charity as an ongoing concern.

Leadership Team

The Leadership Team is responsible for discerning the spiritual direction of the church and facilitating growth and development in Christ of church members and the wider community. The Leadership Team comprised the minister and three lay members. The team meets regularly roughly fortnightly, and in intervening weeks follow up with specific leadership duties (e.g. pastoral care, specific event planning, meeting with trustees). The range of meetings enable us to pray, discuss, plan, worship and learn together as a leadership team.

Trustees

The Trustee Team comprised the minister (*ex officio*), secretary and treasurer, with an added elected trustee. The general duties of the trustees are to ensure that the church continues to fulfil its aims as a charity by being included in the hands-on management of the church, and submitting an annual report to the Charity Commission. The trustees aim to meet together every month, sometimes with the leadership team to plan church business meetings and other practical matters, and sometimes alone to review the church's policies.

Sunday morning services

We continue to meet regularly on Sunday mornings in Hardwick School for a church service 10.30am-12noon, for Young Church, and youth group, for worship, fellowship and teaching.

We continued to have Communion regularly, usually on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

We also run occasional all-age services which involve more sensory / craft activities, which are attended by several families from local villages.

We met in November with other churches west of Cambridge for our annual Joint Church Service.

Weekday Groups

Weekday groups have continued to meet during the year with a combination of online and in-person meetings for Bible study, prayer and mutual support.

Preaching

Preaching topics during the year included Nehemiah, the Kingdom of God in Matthew, Generosity, Hebrews, Priesthood, Women in the Bible. Podcasts of talks can be accessed via the church website.

The Living Room

The Living Room has been useful for hosting various small group meetings, Coffee @ The Living Room, Craft @ The Living Room, Wednesday Bible Study, the Alpha course. Many thanks to those who host and help at these groups. The room has also been used for other groups, and has become the preferred meeting place for the Joint Church Service planning group and the WCCYM (West Cambridge Christian Youth Ministries) Executive.

Community events

At Christmas time, we once again built a Life-Size Nativity scene outside Hardwick School, together with others from the community who helped with the construction and maintenance. There were about 300 people at the Carols on Christmas Eve at the Nativity scene. We also organised carol singing around the village with people from St Mary's church.

In December, we provided 30 Christmas hampers for families in the village who needed them, along with some other community groups. The hampers are administered through the school, who identify families who would benefit from them. We do not know who the families are.

During term time, we facilitated the Baby and Toddler Group. This is not specifically a church activity (i.e. there is no Christian content), and remains a community group in its own right. Thank you to those from the church who continue to make this facility happen for the community.

Kate Gaze continues to work on the allotments at Hardwick School with students from year 3 / 4.

Over the Easter weekend 2025, we put up Easter reflections on the green outside the school, which received positive feedback about the content, and the fact that they were placed at the Limes Estate end of the village.

Churches working together for Hardwick

Since the start of Hardwick Evangelical Church, we have sought to be in good relationship with the congregation and leadership of St Mary's Church, Hardwick, recognising that some of what we do is done more effectively as two distinct churches but there are also areas where it is more effective to work together. We continue to enjoy a good relationship, and Village Prayers continue to run as a joint venture on Wednesday mornings usually on Zoom but in-person in St Mary's Cabin on the first Wednesday of the month.

In collaboration with WCCYM, we also presented "It's Your Move" booklets to Year 6 students at the Hardwick campus of our local primary school.

Pippins (Community Café) has continued to run on the first Saturday of the month in the school hall. This is a joint venture between the two churches and the Community Association. This has proved immensely popular in the village – and beyond – and in June 2024 it celebrated its 10th 'birthday'.

Working together for nearby villages

Through WCCYM and the annual Joint Church Service, we have many links with churches and Christians in nearby villages, across denominations. A lot of these contacts are centred around youth work but there are other very useful conversations that emerge from the relationships that are built.

As part of the Eastern Baptist Association (EBA), we have additional links with local Baptist Ministers who meet up every 2-3 months for prayer and support. We also meet as cluster churches three times a year for tea and a Service.

Online presence

For some years now, the church has had a website, YouTube channel and a Facebook page. We continue to publish news online for the local community and record our weekly sermons which are made available in podcast form for streaming or download.

Young Church

This year Young Church has continued to be co-ordinated by a skilled volunteer.

As the children have got older we no longer have any preschool age children regularly attending the church so all the children have continued to meet together in Young Church rather than having a separate Tiny Church. We currently have 6 children regularly attending the group ranging from age 6-11 years and due to the different needs of the children we usually have 3 leaders helping each week. The high adult to child ratio helps us to provide 1:1 support for those children who may need it. Young Church meets in the Community Room from 10.30am-11.40am and then joins together with the rest of church for a time of worship and prayer.

A typical Young Church session includes a welcome activity related to that week's theme or something from the previous week, 'God Spot' (a time for everyone to share with others and thank God for the things he has done that week), a Bible story and snack, a related game, craft or other practical activity and discussion. We also take time for prayer and reflection encouraging the children to take time to listen to God as well as talk to him. The children often use individual journals to record this. We also have a 'cosy corner' set up in the room with a variety of fidget toys and sensory items, and offer movement breaks for the children who may need them.

Throughout the year we have mostly used Foundation Stones curriculum resources to support our planning. The session leader adapts the plans provided to meet the needs of the children in the group. From May to September we followed a Bible-lympics Champions theme using the theme of the Olympics to explore different characters from the Bible and what they teach us about our own relationship with God. We then completed a 10 week series on Nehemiah, some Christmas sessions and a series on Hebrews. Although some of the topics have been complex at times, we have enjoyed having some of our themes matching up with what the adults have been looking at together in the wider church.

In November we held a Light Night for the regular children and families in our church which involved carrying out a range of activities around the village and visiting the homes of some of the different members of our church. We enjoyed sharing food together, reading the Bible and thinking about how Jesus is the Light of the world and how we too should be a light to others and share God's love with those around us.

Baby & Toddler Group

Hardwick Baby and Toddler Group has continued to take place on a Thursday morning in the Community Room, facilitated by Hardwick Evangelical Church. We usually have two or three members of the church to help run the group each week with many others from the church helping by baking cakes. The group has continued to be really appreciated by those who come along, from the village and within the local area. We provide a range of toys and activities for the children to enjoy with their parents/carers as well as providing an opportunity for people to meet together and enjoy each other's company over a cuppa and cake. Although there is no Christian content at the group, it has been a great opportunity to get alongside those in the community and share God's love in a practical way. We have also seen one of our previous toddler group families attend Alpha and have had some of the toddler group families come along to our all age services.

Youth Work

We have been very pleased to have two new young people come along to church in the last year, meaning that we have six secondary/Sixth Form aged young people, although rarely all there at the same time! We continue to run youth sessions on most Sundays during the main service. In the last year we have done a series on Encounters with Jesus, using some new material produced by Youthscape, had a series of sessions inviting people from the church to come and be interviewed and share their stories of life and faith, and have started a series on prayer.

It was a joy to have a baptism service in February, when two of the young people were baptised.

At the end of the last academic year in July, Nick Slater (WCCYM) and Clare Coates (St Mary's Church) ran a session for Year 6 pupils in Hardwick Primary School, to give out the 'It's Your Move' Scripture Union books and do some activities to help prepare them for secondary school. Jane Golding joined them to provide a great link to our church too. We have the same session planned for later in June this year.

Our partnership with WCCYM has continued, providing additional regular youth work activities for young people to get involved in, which young people in our church have come to. These activities have included:

- Thirst youth service (monthly)
- Fortnightly discipleship group held at Comberton Baptist Church
- Monthly Sixth Form discipleship group called Deeper
- Christian Union groups, RPE lessons, PSHE lessons and assemblies at Comberton Village College

- WCCYM weekend and socials throughout the year
- Trip to Satellites youth festival, including the opportunity for young people to be on Team (which one of our church young people did again last year)

We continue to rely on volunteers for our church youth work as well as helping with WCCYM activities, and are so grateful for the time they give to preparing and running activities, and the interest they take in the young people. We are also very thankful to those who provided food for the WCCYM youth service twice in the year.

Safeguarding

The church has two experienced Safeguarding leads, one having a focus on children and young people, and one having a focus on adults. They are responsible for updating any DBS checks that are needed, which is done through Thirtyone:eight. They are also responsible for updating the policy and any associated Safeguarding procedures for the church. The church Safeguarding policy is scheduled to be updated in June 2025.

Alpha

The church ran the first session of Alpha three times as a taster session through January and February 2025 at different times on different days and evenings. In the end, we have had four guests attend our Spring 2025 Alpha. One of them attended one of the taster sessions. Another expressed an interest via Alpha.org where we had registered our Alpha course, and a couple of whom one used to attend our church came. Between three and four members of our church facilitate the course each week. The course is due to run until the end of June this year.

Mission Links

Our current Mission Links are:

- Rehoboth Children's Home situated in the small village of Santa Maria, near Camiling on the northern island of Luzon, Philippines.
- Kathryn Thompson, a key worker with Rehoboth.
- Central African Mission International, supporting doctors in Lwamba Hospital.
- The Lisa Kent Memorial Nursery School in Kombo South, The Gambia, West Africa.
- Christian Motorcyclists Association, Cambridgeshire.
- GENR8 children's ministry.
- West Cambridge Christian Youth Ministry (WCCYM).

The church supports these Missions by annual financial giving.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



Susie Thomson
Treasurer

19 August 2025



Enid Instone-Brewer
Secretary

19 August 2025

HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
TRUSTEE'S REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2025

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME FROM:						
Donations and Legacies	2a	45,047	435		45,482	31,853
Investments	2b	4,162			4,162	1,208
Other Income	2c	3,665			3,665	3,861
Total income		52,874	435	0	53,309	36,922
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Employee Costs	3a	27,238			27,238	25,747
Church Activities	3b	11,474	338		11,812	13,426
Administration Costs	3c	13,078			13,078	12,311
Total expenditure		51,790	338	0	52,128	51,483
Net Income/(Expenditure)		1,084	97	0	1,181	(14,561)
Transfers		0	0	0	0	0
Net Movement in Funds		1,084	97	0	1,181	(14,561)
Reconciliation of Funds:						
Total funds at April 2024		135,164	11,046	0	146,210	160,771
Total Funds at 31 March 2025		136,248	11,143	0	147,391	146,210

HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025	2024
		£	£
Current Assets:			
Debtors	4	8,319	864
Short Term Deposits	5	104,868	76,246
Cash at Bank	5	35,475	71,186
		<u>148,661</u>	<u>148,296</u>
Current Liabilities:			
Creditors	6	569	2,086
Accruals	7	701	0
		<u>1,270</u>	<u>2,086</u>
Net Current Assets		147,391	146,210
Total Net Assets		<u><u>147,391</u></u>	<u><u>146,210</u></u>
Funds:			
Unrestricted		136,248	135,164
Restricted	8	11,143	11,046
Endowment			
Total Funds		<u><u>147,391</u></u>	<u><u>146,210</u></u>

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

1. Accounting Policies

a) Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

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 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Going concern basis

The trustees consider that the going concern basis is appropriate as they consider the reserve levels to be sufficient to ensure that the trustees can meet their financial obligations for the next 12 to 18 months and on the basis that the entity is a going concern.

Financial Reporting Standard 102 - Reduced disclosure exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102:

- The requirement of Section 7 - Statement of Cash Flows.

b) Funds

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the church that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and which are available for application on the general purposes of the executive committee. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the executive committee are also treated as funds which have been given for a particular purpose and which are therefore not available for general purposes. These funds are referred to as Designated Funds.

c) Income

Income from planned giving and other donations are recognised as received. Income tax recoverable on covenants or gift aid donations is recognised when the related income is recognised. Grants and legacies are recognised as received.

d) Expenditure

Expenditure is recorded when payable, and where unpaid at the year end are included as creditors.

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

2. Income

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2025 £	2024 £
2a Donations and Legacies						
Pledged Giving		32,757	315		33,072	31,853
Tax Reclaimable		12,290	120		12,410	0
Other donations & Legacies					0	0
		45,047	435	0	45,482	31,853
2b Investments						
Interest		4,162			4,162	1,208
		4,162	0	0	4,162	1,208
2c Other Income						
Fundraising		146			146	108
Sale of resources					0	0
Outreach projects		2,232			2,232	2,776
Room hire		1,037			1,037	977
EBA - outreach funding					0	0
Sundry		250			250	0
		3,665	0	0	3,665	3,861
Total Income		52,874	435	0	53,309	36,922

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3 Expenditure

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Employee Costs	3a	27,238			27,238	25,747
		27,238	0	0	27,238	25,747
Church Activities:	3b					
Church leadership		802			802	613
Children & Families' work		507			507	287
Youth work			237		237	65
Pastoral					0	0
Welfare		13			13	60
Outreach (D)		107			107	1,544
Outreach projects		1,538	101		1,639	824
Room Hire		885			885	977
EBA Outreach					0	0
Event costs		2,122			2,122	2,021
Sunday services		250			250	335
Mission giving (D)		5,250			5,250	6,700
		11,474	338	0	11,812	13,426
Administration Costs:	3c					
Fees & affiliations		1,061			1,061	1,173
Property Costs		8,873			8,873	8,925
Equipment (D)		239			239	17
Training & resources (D)		1,303			1,303	673
Sundry					0	50
Bookkeeping		1,502			1,502	1,198
Recruitment		100			100	275
		13,078	0	0	13,078	12,311
Total Expenditure		51,790	338	0	52,128	51,483

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

4. Debtors	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade Debtors	718	465
Prepayments	7,147	370
Other debtors	454	29
	8,319	864

5. Cash at bank and in hand	2025	2024
	£	£
Short term deposits:		
Hampshire Trust Bank		
United Trust Bank	52,436	50,000
Kingdom Bank	52,431	26,246
Cash at Bank:		
CAF bank	35,475	71,186
	140,343	147,432

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	569	2,086
Other creditors		
	569	2,086

7. Accruals	2024	2024
	£	£
Venue hire	162	
Bookkeeping	539	
	701	

8. Restricted Funds	At 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2025
Children & Families Fund	10,325			10,325
A428 Corridor Development Fund	101		101	0
Youth Work Fund	620	435	237	818
Eraston mission fund	0	1,430	1,430	0
	11,046	1,865	1,768	11,143

The Children & Families Fund comes from a donation by Caxton Baptist Church, given to be used towards the cost of employing a Children & Families worker.

The A428 Corridor Development Fund is a donation from the Eastern Baptists Association to be used in developing the work of the church in the new planned housing developments. The development work is no longer continuing so the EBA donated the remaining balance to the Church to be used for mission work.

The Youth Work Fund comes from donations specifically for Youth work.

The Eraston mission fund came from donations specifically to be used to support Eraston's work.

9. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Fund balances as at 31 March 2025 are represented by:			
Current Assets	137,518	11,143	148,661
Current Liabilities	(1,270)		(1,270)
	136,248	11,143	147,391

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 1 to 7 of the Financial Statements.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the Examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- follow procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's Statement

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 the PCC committee concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 Examiners Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 103 of the 2011 act, or, to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met,

Or,

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Martin Lee
44 Anson Road
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Date: 12/06/2025

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We also ran Allsorts four times during the year, which is a sensory church service for children and families.

We continued to have communion regularly, usually on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

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Community events

We held an Easter jigsaw café at Easter 2023.

In May 2023 we showed the King's coronation on the big screen in the school hall. There were refreshments, and a fish and chips lunch. It was a free event, funded by Stagecoach. There was an open invitation for people in the village to come, especially those who would otherwise be on their own but would rather watch the coronation with other people. About 40 people came, and much appreciated the event.

At Christmas time, we once again built a Life-Size Nativity scene outside Hardwick School, together with others from the community who helped with the construction and maintenance. There were about 280 people at the Carols on Christmas Eve at the Nativity scene. We also organised carol singing around the village with people from St Mary's church.

In December, we also, with some other community groups, provided 35 Christmas hampers for families in the village who needed them. These are administered through the school, who identify families who would benefit from them. We do not know who the families are.

During term time, we facilitated the Baby and Toddler Group. This is not specifically a church activity (i.e. there is no Christian content), and remains a community group in its own right.

Kate Gaze re-established the allotments at Hardwick School, which had been abandoned for a few years, and runs an allotment group weekly with students from year 3 / 4.

Over the Easter weekend 2024, we put up Easter reflections. Usually, this is done jointly with St Mary's at St Mary's church. However, this year, St Mary's were unable to be involved because of the repair work being done on the church, so we used the green outside the school, and have had positive feedback about it.

We also held a short Easter Sunrise service on Easter Sunday. We met at Frankie's car park at 6am, walked over the blue bridge part way to Dry Drayton, held a brief Easter reflection, and returned to enjoy breakfast together at Frankie's at 7am. Those unable to join the walk met at The Living Room for an Easter reflection before breakfast at Frankie's.

Churches working together for Hardwick

Since the start of Hardwick Evangelical Church, we have sought to be in good relationship with the congregation and leadership of St Mary's Church, Hardwick, recognising that some of what we do is done more effectively as two distinct churches but there are also areas where it is more effective to work together. We continue to enjoy a good relationship, and Village Prayers continue to run as a joint venture on Wednesday mornings usually on Zoom but in-person in St Mary's Cabin on the first Wednesday of the month.

In collaboration with WCCYM, we also presented "It's Your Move" booklets to Year 6 students at the Hardwick campus of our local primary school.

Pippins (Community Café) has continued to run on the first Saturday of the month in the school hall. This is a joint venture between the two churches and the Community Association. This has proved immensely popular in the village – and beyond – and in June 2024 will celebrate its 10th 'birthday'.

Working together for nearby villages

Through WCCYM and the annual Joint Church Service, we have many links with churches and Christians in nearby villages, across denominations. A lot of these contacts are centred around youth work but there are other very useful conversations that emerge from the relationships that are built.

As part of the Eastern Baptist Association (EBA), we have additional links with local Baptist Ministers who meet up every 2-3 months for prayer and support. We also meet as cluster churches three times a year for tea and a Service.

Online presence

For some years now, the church has had a website, YouTube channel and a Facebook page. We continue to publish news online for the local community and record our weekly sermons which are made available in podcast form for streaming or download.

Young Church

This year Young Church has continued to be co-ordinated by a skilled volunteer. From April-September Tiny Church and Young Church continued as before but by September all the children from our regular church families had reached primary school age. There are no longer any children in Tiny Church on a regular basis although there have been visitors. We now have all the children from age 5-10 years together in Young Church. The children managed this change well and although the sessions can be challenging at times, due to the children's differing needs, we have been enjoying our sessions together.

We meet for Young Church in the Community Room from 10.30am-11.40am and then join together with the rest of church for a time of worship and prayer. We usually have 5-6 children in Young Church each week with 3-4 leaders. The high adult to child ratio helps us to provide 1:1 support for those children who may need it. We also have a 'cosy corner' set up in the room with a variety of fidget toys and sensory items, and offer movement breaks for the children who may need them.

A typical Young Church session includes a welcome activity, 'God Spot' (a time for everyone to share with others and thank God for the things he has done that week), a Bible story and snack, a song, a related game, craft or other practical activity, discussion and time for prayer and reflection. From April to January we continued following the 'Connected Hearts' curriculum for our sessions. These sessions had an emphasis on the Holy Spirit and helping children to develop their own personal relationship with God, taking time to listen to what He wants to say to them. Later in the year we completed a series on The Armour of God and a mini-series on the events around the Easter Story and Pentecost.

Baby & Toddler Group

Hardwick Baby and Toddler Group has continued to take place on a Thursday morning in the Community Room, facilitated by Hardwick Evangelical Church. We usually have 3 members of the church to help run the group each week with many others from the church helping by baking cakes. The group has continued to be really appreciated by those who come along, from the village and within the local area. We have had many new families join recently and the group is always well attended, usually with over 12 families. We provide a range of toys and activities for the children to enjoy with their parents/carers as well as providing an opportunity for people to meet together and enjoy each other's company over a cuppa and cake. Although there is no Christian content at the group, it has been a great opportunity to get alongside those in the community and share God's love in a practical way. We have also seen a number of our toddler group families join us at Allsorts.

Youth Work

We continue to run youth sessions on most Sundays during the main service. We have recently had two new young people join, and still have a small group of up to four young people. We have sometimes followed the sermon series, and sometimes done a separate series of sessions.

At the end of the last academic year in July, in conjunction with St Mary's Church and WCCYM, we ran a session for Year 6 pupils in Hardwick Primary School, to give out the 'It's Your Move' Scripture Union books and do some activities to help prepare them for secondary school. We have the same session planned for later in July this year.

Our partnership with WCCYM has continued, providing additional regular youth work activities for young people to get involved in. These activities have included:

- Thirst youth service (monthly)
- Fortnightly discipleship group held at Comberton Baptist Church
- Monthly Sixth Form discipleship group called Deeper

- Christian Union groups, RPE lessons, PSHE lessons and assemblies at Comberton Village College
- WCCYM weekend and socials throughout the year
- Trip to Satellites youth festival, including the opportunity for young people to be on Team (which one of our church young people did)

The WCCYM Summer Party later this July will be hosted on the field at Hardwick Primary School, as it was two years ago.

Safeguarding

The church has two experienced Safeguarding leads, one having a focus on children and young people, and one having a focus on adults. No additional leaders have been trained this year. DBS checks and updates are carried out through Thirtyone:eight (previously known as CCPAS – Churches Child Protection Advisory Service). The leads are also responsible for updating the policy and any associated Safeguarding procedures for the church.

In September 2023 we held a Safeguarding meeting for anyone in church to understand more about Safeguarding procedures, where we looked in detail at parts of the policy.

Alpha

The church ran an Alpha in the autumn of 2023. We had 2 guests and number of people from the church attend. There were generally between 8 and 10 people each week. We met in The Living Room on Wednesday evenings, where magnificent cake was provided by both people from the church and the guests. We used the Alpha videos with question breaks which was good for stimulating discussion. We held an away day one Saturday at Childerley Hall Chapel, with people from the church not involved in Alpha joining us for lunch and the afternoon. Whilst Alpha aims to introduce the basics of the Christian faith, it also facilitates building relationships with people in our community, and I think both of these were accomplished.

Mission Links

Our current Mission Links are:

- Rehoboth Children's Home situated in the small village of Santa Maria, near Camiling on the northern island of Luzon, Philippines.
- Kathryn Thompson, a key worker with Rehoboth.
- Central African Mission International, supporting doctors in Lwamba Hospital.
- The Lisa Kent Memorial Nursery School in Kombo South, The Gambia, West Africa.
- Christian Motorcyclists Association, Cambridgeshire.
- GENR8 children's ministry.
- West Cambridge Christian Youth Ministry (WCCYM).

The church supports these Missions by annual financial giving.

Last year saw the introduction of issuing emails to provide more up to date needs for specific prayer. It is planned to increase these Mission Links emails, hopefully on a weekly basis.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



Susie Thomson
Treasurer

15 August 2024



Enid Instone-Brewer
Secretary

15 August 2024

HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

For the year ending 31 March 2024

	ACTUAL	2023-24 BUDGET	VARIANCE
	£	£	£
1 Income			
A Gifts - Regular giving	31,613	28,000	3,613
B Gifts - Youth Work (R)	240	240	0
C Gift Aid tax refund	0	5,900	(5,900)
D Outreach	670	900	(230)
D1 Outreach - community hubs	2,106		2,106
B7 Charitable Activities - toddler group	977	0	977
E Interest	1,208	1,100	108
F Online fundraising	108	150	(42)
Total Income	36,922	36,290	632
2 Expenditure			
A Payroll:			
Minister	25,747	25,827	81
Children & Families Worker	0	15,614	15,614
Youth Worker	0	5,000	5,000
	25,747	46,441	20,695
B Church Activities:			
1 Church leadership	613	600	(13)
2 Children & Families' work	287	600	313
3 Youth work (R)	65	300	235
4 Pastoral	0	300	300
5 Welfare	60	250	190
6 Outreach (D)	1,544	1,500	(44)
6a Outreach - community hubs	824		(824)
6c A428 Pioneer Work (R)	0		0
6d Charitable activities - Toddler Group	977		(977)
7 Event costs	2,021	2,100	79
8 Sunday services	335	500	165
9 Mission giving	6,700	4,500	(2,200)
	13,426	10,650	(2,776)
C Administration:			
1 Fees & affiliations	1,173	1,850	677
2 Property Costs	8,925	8,700	(225)
3 Equipment (D)	17	500	483
4 Training & resources (D)	673	500	(173)
5 Sundry	50	1,400	1,350
6 Bookkeeping	1,198	500	(698)
7 Recruitment	275	0	(275)
	12,310	13,450	1,140
Total Expenditure	51,483	70,541	19,059
Net expenditure over Income	(14,560)	(34,251)	19,691



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees Charity Name Hardwick Evangelical Church

On accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 Charity no (if any) 1163049

Set out on pages 1 - 4 of the Financial Statements (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity's trustees, you 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.

Independent examiner's statement [The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature] Date: 19/07/2024

Name: MARTIN LEE

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body ACMA

(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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HARDWICK CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1163049

Accounts

Hardwick Evangelical Church

Trustees' report 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Hardwick Christian Fellowship
Other name the charity uses	Hardwick Evangelical Church
Registered charity number	1163049
Charity's principal address	Unit 17, Broadway House, 149-151 St. Neots Road Hardwick, CAMBRIDGE, CB23 7QJ
Email address	HardwickEvangelical@gmail.com
Website	HardwickEvangelicalChurch.co.uk

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by constitution.

Every appointed charity trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a general meeting of the members of the CIO

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Revd K Gaze	Minister	
2	Mrs E Instone-Brewer	Secretary	
3	Mrs S Thomson	Treasurer	
4	Dr S Gaze	Trustee	From July 2022

Objectives of the charity

The objectives of the charity are the advancement of the Christian Faith and other charitable work focusing mainly on Hardwick and nearby villages, to the public benefit as defined in guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

Summary of the main activities of the charity

The church undertook the following activities and encouraged ordinary people to live out the faith as part of a local church through:

- Sunday morning worship and teaching services*
- Meetings in homes for study, discussion and prayer*
- Links with pre-schools, primary schools and secondary schools*
- Links with various community initiatives in the village of Hardwick*
- Various collaborations with other local churches*

* During the Covid-19 pandemic services and meetings have been conducted via the internet. Any face-to-face meetings and activities only occurred under strict adherence to Covid-19 guidelines.

Details of the charity's activities

Financial review

At the end of the financial year 2022-2023, the net current assets on 31st March 2023 were £160,771.

Receipts in the financial year 2022-2023 were £45,448 whilst payments amounted to £53,362. Full accounts have been prepared and submitted to the Charity Commission.

Receipts consisted predominantly of charitable giving from members and others who attend the church along with the Gift Aid tax recoverable on them. There were no significant gifts from individuals this year.

Payments include the salary of one part-time minister.

The charity seeks to maintain a minimum reserve of six months' salaries and related costs and committed expenditure for rental of the office.

The trustees have no concerns regarding the charity as an ongoing concern.

Leadership Team

The Leadership Team is responsible for discerning the spiritual direction of the church and facilitating growth and development in Christ of church members and the wider community. The Leadership Team comprised the minister and three lay members. In addition the Trustee Team comprised the minister (*ex officio*), secretary and treasurer, with an elected trustee added to the team

Trustees

The general duties of the trustees are to ensure that the church continues to fulfil its aims as a charity by being included in the hands-on management of the church, and submitting an annual report to the Charity Commission. The trustees aim to meet together every month, sometimes with the leadership team to plan church business meetings and other practical matters, and sometimes alone to review the church's policies. During the past year the following policies have been reviewed, and where necessary have been updated: *Safeguarding, Handling of Disclosures, Bereavement/Compassionate leave, Expenses, Secondary Employment, Grievance procedure.*

Sunday morning services

We continued to meet regularly on Sunday mornings in Hardwick School for a church service 10.30am-12noon for worship, fellowship and teaching, and for Young Church and youth group.

We also ran Allsorts four times during the year, which is a sensory church service for children and families.

We continued to have communion regularly, usually on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

Weekday Groups

Weekday groups have continued to meet during the year with a combination of online and in-person meetings for Bible study, prayer and mutual support.

Preaching

Preaching topics during the year included Micah, Amos, Proverbs, Justice issues, Galatians and Philemon. In summer 2022 we had a series called 'It spoke to me', where people from the congregation spoke on Bible passages that were particularly meaningful to them. Podcasts of talks can be accessed via the church website.

The Living Room

The Living Room has been useful for hosting various small group meetings, the Warm Hub, the Wednesday Bible Study, and a series of craft mornings, with help from volunteers within the church. The room has also been used for other groups, and has become the preferred meeting place for the Joint Church Service planning group.

Community events

At Christmas time, we once again built a Life-Size Nativity scene outside Hardwick School, together with others from the community who helped with the construction and maintenance. We altered the design of the stable so we can use the whole green: this keeps people off the road, and gives more space, which is useful as there were about 250 people at the Carols on Christmas Eve at the Nativity scene. We also organised carol singing around the village with people from St Mary's Church.

In December, we also, with some other community groups, provided 35 Christmas hampers for families in the village who needed them. These are administered through the school, who identify families who would benefit from them. We do not know who the families are.

During term time, we facilitate the Baby and Toddler Group. Post-Covid, the group was unable to restart, so we provide personnel to complete a committee and run the sessions. This is not specifically a church activity (i.e. there is no Christian content), and remains a community group in its own right.

At Easter we resurrected the Easter Jigsaw and café for the first time since 2019. Throughout the week leading up to Easter, we hid plastic eggs around the village, each of which contained a jigsaw piece, which people brought to an Easter Jigsaw Café in the school hall on Easter Sunday afternoon, where we did the jigsaw together, alongside refreshments. There were fewer people at the café than in previous years, but this allowed for more meaningful conversations to happen.

In December 2022, following Covid, we resumed our monthly Sunday Church Services at a local care home. Some 7 to 10 residents attended along with 2 or 3 members of staff and visitors.

Baby & Toddler Group

A team of volunteers from our church has continued to facilitate the running of Hardwick Baby and Toddler Group which takes place on a Thursday morning in the Community Room. We usually have 3 members of the church running the group each week with many others from the church helping by baking cakes. The group has been really appreciated by those in Hardwick and the local area and is well attended, often with more than 12 families each week. We provide a range of toys and activities for the children to enjoy with their carers as well as providing an opportunity for people to meet together and enjoy each other's company over a cuppa and cake.

Churches working together for Hardwick

Since the start of Hardwick Evangelical Church, we have sought to be in good relationship with the congregation and leadership of St Mary's Church, Hardwick, recognising that some of what we do is done more effectively as two distinct churches but there are also areas where it is more effective to work together. A new vicar was appointed in September 2022, and moved into the Rectory in February 2023. We continue to enjoy a good relationship, and Village Prayers continue to run as a joint venture on Wednesday mornings usually on Zoom but in-person in the Cabin on the first Wednesday of the month.

In collaboration with WCCYM, we also presented "It's Your Move" booklets to Year 6 students at the Hardwick campus of our local primary school.

Pippins (Community Café) continues to run on the first Saturday of the month in the school hall. This is a joint venture between the two churches and the Community Association. Julie, Helen, Amber, Steve, Kate and Joe are regularly involved in various ways.

Working together for nearby villages

Through WCCYM (West Cambridge Christian Youth Ministries) and the annual Joint Church Service, we have many links with churches and Christians in nearby villages, across denominations. A lot of these contacts are centred around youth work but there are other very useful conversations that emerge from the relationships that are built.

As part of the Eastern Baptist Association (EBA), we have additional links with local Baptist Ministers who meet up every 2-3 months for prayer and support.

In September, several people in the church were involved in the Hardwick Eco Event, which was followed on the Sunday by a service jointly with St Mary's church, where we focussed on God and his creation.

Online presence

For some years now, the church has had a website, YouTube channel and a Facebook page. We continue to publish news online for the local community and record our weekly sermons which are made available in podcast form for streaming or download.

Young Church

This year Young Church has continued to be co-ordinated by a skilled volunteer. We have had 12 volunteers from the church helping to deliver the children's work including some of the young people. We continue to meet for Young Church and Tiny Church in the Community Room from 10.30am-11.40am when we join together with the rest of church for a time of worship and prayer.

In Tiny Church (0-4 year-olds) we have usually only had 1 child and a leader although we have had some younger children visit throughout the year. They have been working their way through The Big Bible Storybook each week. As well as a bible story they sometimes do a related activity and spend time singing and playing together. In Young Church (Primary School age) we usually have 5 children meeting together and at least 3 leaders to enable us to provide one to one support to those children who may need it. Since September we have started to follow the 'Connected Hearts' curriculum as a basis for our sessions. This has an emphasis on the Holy Spirit and helping children to develop their own personal relationship with God, taking time to listen to what He wants to say to them. A typical session would include a welcome activity, 'God Spot' (a time share with others and thank God for the things he has done that week), a bible story and snack, a song, a related game, craft or other practical activity, discussion and time for prayer and reflection. Although sessions can be challenging at times due to the children's differing needs we have all been enjoying our sessions together.

Youth Work

We have had youth sessions on most Sundays during the main service, with up to four young people at different times. We have been using the youth version of the 'Connected Hearts' material which the children have also been following.

At the end of the academic year in July 2022, the minister, Licensed Lay Minister from St Mary's Church and a WCCYM worker ran a session for Year 6 pupils in Hardwick Primary School, to give out the 'It's Your Move' Scripture Union books and do some activities to help prepare them for secondary school. We have the same session planned for later in July this year.

Our partnership with WCCYM has continued, providing additional regular youth work activities for young people to get involved in. These activities have included:

- Thirst youth service (monthly)
- Fortnightly discipleship group held at Comberton Baptist Church
- Christian Union groups, RPE lessons and PSHE lessons at Comberton Village College
- WCCYM weekend and socials throughout the year

The WCCYM Summer Party was hosted in Hardwick, on the field at Hardwick Primary School. We also booked the Community room and gym for a sports and games social in September.

We are very grateful to the volunteers from our church, who regularly run the Sunday morning sessions with the young people. We are also very thankful for the volunteers from our church who help with WCCYM activities, including the fortnightly Discipleship group, Thirst youth service, WCCYM weekend, and socials. A big thank you to those from our church who have provided food for the youth service twice in the year.

Safeguarding

The church has two experienced Safeguarding leads, one having a focus on children and young people, and one having a focus on adults. No additional leaders have been trained this year. DBS checks and updates are carried out through Thirtyone:eight (previously known as CCPAS – Churches Child Protection Advisory Service). The leads are also responsible for updating the policy and any associated Safeguarding procedures for the church.

Mission Links

Our current Mission Links remain unchanged. As a church we provided both annual financial and ongoing prayer support for the Christian work overseas and in the UK.

Overseas:

- Rehoboth Children’s Home situated in the small village of Santa Maria, Philippines.
- Kathryn Thompson, a key worker with Rehoboth.
- Central African Mission International, supporting doctors in Lwamba Hospital.
- The Lisa Kent Memorial Nursery School in Kombo South, The Gambia, West Africa.

UK:

- Christian Motorcyclists Association, Cambridgeshire.
- GENR8 children’s ministry.
- West Cambridge Christian Youth Ministry (WCCYM).

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees:



Susie Thomson
Treasurer

10 October 2023



Enid Instone-Brewer
Secretary

10 October 2023

HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
TRUSTEE'S REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2023

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME FROM:						
Donations and Legacies	2a	34,493	6,800		41,293	36,715
Investments	2b	1,241			1,241	1,142
Other Income	2c	2,914			2,914	1,084
Total income		38,648	6,800	0	45,448	38,941
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Employee Costs	3a	24,770			24,770	24,246
Church Activities	3b	9,979	6,851		16,830	10,604
Administration Costs	3c	11,762			11,762	12,618
Total expenditure		46,511	6,851	0	53,362	47,468
Net Income/(Expenditure)		(7,863)	(51)	0	(7,914)	(8,527)
Transfers						
Net Movement in Funds		(7,863)	(51)	0	(7,914)	(8,527)
Reconciliation of Funds:						
Total funds at April 2022		155,914	12,771	0	168,685	177,212
Total Funds at 31 March 2023		148,051	12,720	0	160,771	168,685

HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
Current Assets:					
Debtors	4	859		162	
Short Term Deposits	5	126,786		125,707	
Cash at Bank	5	34,720		44,024	
		<u>162,364</u>		<u>169,892</u>	
Current Liabilities:					
Creditors	6	1,132		1,007	
Accruals	7	462		200	
		<u>1,594</u>		<u>1,207</u>	
Net Current Assets		160,771		168,685	
Total Net Assets		<u><u>160,771</u></u>		<u><u>168,685</u></u>	
Funds:					
Unrestricted		148,051		155,914	
Restricted	8	12,720		12,771	
Endowment					
Total Funds		<u><u>160,771</u></u>		<u><u>168,685</u></u>	

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

2. Income

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2023 £	2022 £
2a Donations and Legacies						
Pledged Giving		28,617	240		28,857	28,542
Tax Reclaimable		5,876	60		5,936	8,173
Other donations & Legacies			6,500		6,500	0
		34,493	6,800	0	41,293	36,715
2b Investments						
Interest		1,241			1,241	1,142
		1,241	0	0	1,241	1,142
2c Other Income						
Fundraising		162			162	169
Sale of resources					0	439
Outreach projects		1,643			1,643	0
Room hire		1,109			1,109	476
EBA - outreach funding					0	0
Sundry					0	0
		2,914	0	0	2,914	1,084
Total Income		38,648	6,800	0	45,448	38,941

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

3 Expenditure

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2023 £	2022 £
Employee Costs	3a	24,770			24,770	24,246
		24,770	0	0	24,770	24,246
Church Activities:	3b					
Church leadership		347			347	851
Children & Families' work		586			586	306
Youth work			141		141	14
Pastoral		73			73	212
Welfare		100			100	156
Outreach (D)		272			272	1,223
Outreach projects		718			718	
Room Hire		1,109			1,109	
EBA Outreach			210		210	540
Event costs		1,974			1,974	2,177
Sunday services		300			300	250
Mission giving (D)		4,500	6,500		11,000	4,875
		9,979	6,851	0	16,830	10,604
Administration Costs:	3c					
Fees & affiliations		1,131			1,131	1,749
Property Costs		8,414			8,414	8,140
Equipment (D)		333			333	1,369
Training & resources (D)		257			257	154
Sundry		54			54	96
Bookkeeping		1,206			1,206	1,010
Recruitment		367			367	100
		11,762	0	0	11,762	12,618
Total Expenditure		46,511	6,851	0	53,362	47,468

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

1. Accounting Policies

a) Basis of Preparation

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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 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

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Going concern basis

The trustees consider that the going concern basis is appropriate as they consider the reserve levels to be sufficient to ensure that the trustees can meet their financial obligations for the next 12 to 18 months and on the basis that the entity is a going concern.

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Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the church that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and which are available for application on the general purposes of the executive committee. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the executive committee are also treated as funds which have been given for a particular purpose and which are therefore not available for general purposes. These funds are referred to as Designated Funds.

c) Income

Income from planned giving and other donations are recognised as received. Income tax recoverable on covenants or gift aid donations is recognised when the related income is recognised. Grants and legacies are recognised as received.

d) Expenditure

Expenditure is recorded when payable, and where unpaid at the year end are included as creditors.

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

4. Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade Debtors	243	
Prepayments	344	
Other debtors	271	
	859	162

5. Cash at bank and in hand	2023	2022
	£	£
Short term deposits:		
Hampshire Trust Bank	101,158	100,247
Kingdom Bank	25,628	25,460
Cash at Bank:		
CAF bank	34,720	44,024
	161,506	169,731

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	881	475
Other creditors	250	532
	1,132	1,007

7. Accruals	2023	2022
	£	£
Bookkeeping	462	200

8. Restricted Funds	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2023
Children & Families Fund	10,325			10,325
A428 Corridor Development Fund	2,160		210	1,950
Youth Work Fund	286	300	141	445
Eraston mission fund		6,500	6,500	0
	12,771	6,800	6,851	12,720

The Children & Families Fund comes from a donation by Caxton Baptist Church, given to be used towards the cost of employing a Children & Families worker.

The A428 Corridor Development Fund is a donation from the Eastern Baptists Association to be used in developing the work of the church in the new planned housing developments.

The Youth Work Fund comes from donations specifically for Youth work.

The Eraston mission fund came from a donation specifically to be used to support Eraston's work.

9. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fund balances as at 31 March 2023 are represented by:			
Current Assets	149,644	12,720	162,364
Current Liabilities	(1,594)		(1,594)
	148,051	12,720	160,771



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

HAROWICK CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1163049

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 03 / 2023.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you 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.

Independent
examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

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

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Signed:

MARTIN LEE

Date:

14/07/2023

Name:

MARTIN LEE

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Section B

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Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

HARDWICK CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1163049

Accounts

Hardwick Evangelical Church

Trustees' report 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Hardwick Christian Fellowship
Other name the charity uses	Hardwick Evangelical Church
Registered charity number	1163049
Charity's principal address	Unit 17, Broadway House, 149-151 St. Neots Road Hardwick, CAMBRIDGE, CB23 7QJ
Email address	HardwickEvangelical@gmail.com
Website	HardwickEvangelicalChurch.co.uk

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by constitution.

Every appointed charity trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a general meeting of the members of the CIO

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Revd K Gaze	Minister	
2	Mrs E Instone-Brewer	Secretary	
3	Mrs S Thomson	Treasurer	

Objectives of the charity

The objectives of the charity are the advancement of the Christian Faith and other charitable work focusing mainly on Hardwick and nearby villages, to the public benefit as defined in guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

Summary of the main activities of the charity

The church undertook the following activities and encouraged ordinary people to live out the faith as part of a local church through:

- Sunday morning worship and teaching services*
- Meetings in homes for study, discussion and prayer*
- Links with pre-schools, primary schools and secondary schools*
- Links with various community initiatives in the village of Hardwick*
- Various collaborations with other local churches*

* During the Covid-19 pandemic services and meetings have been conducted via the internet. Any face-to-face meetings and activities only occurred under strict adherence to Covid-19 guidelines.

Details of the charity's activities

Financial review

At the end of the financial year 2021-2022, the net current assets on 31st March 2022 were £168,685.

Receipts in the financial year 2021-2022 were £38,941 and payments were £47,468. Full accounts have been prepared and submitted.

Receipts consisted of charitable giving from members and others who attend the church. There were no significant gifts from individuals this year.

Payments include the salary of one part-time minister.

The charity seeks to maintain a minimum reserve of six months' salaries and related costs and committed expenditure for rental of the office.

The trustees have no concerns regarding the charity as an ongoing concern.

Leadership Team

The Leadership Team is responsible for discerning the spiritual direction of the church and facilitating growth and development in Christ of church members and the wider community. The Leadership Team comprised the minister and two lay members at the start of the reporting period, with a third lay member being added in October 2021. In addition the Trustee Team comprises the minister (*ex officio*), secretary and treasurer, with the intention to recruit an elected trustee to join them at the July 2022 AGM.

Sunday morning services

We continued with services online until end August 2021 as Covid-19 restrictions were in place, after which time we were able to meet in person again in the school. We have met most Sunday mornings 10.30-12 noon for worship, fellowship and teaching.

We continued to have communion regularly, usually on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

We have had four special services that children and their families have been invited to, and these have gone very well, being planned, resourced and run by a skilled member and a dedicated team of volunteers.

Weekday Groups

Weekday groups have continued to meet during the year with a combination of online and in-person meetings for Bible study, prayer and mutual support.

Preaching

Preaching topics during the year included 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, a selection of Psalms, Face to Face with Jesus in the Old Testament, the Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and several of the Holy Habits series. Podcasts of talks can be accessed via the church website.

The Living Room

The Living Room has been useful for hosting various small group meetings, especially the weekly drop-in and the bereavement support group. Many thanks to Pauline and Julie for hosting these groups. We hope to use the room for a variety of other groups.

Community events

At Christmas time, we once again built a **Life-Size Nativity scene** outside Hardwick School, together with others from the community who helped with the construction and maintenance. We held Christmas Carols at the Nativity scene on Christmas Eve, adjusting the build so that we could spread out and use much more of the grassed area; this was attended by about 180 people. We also organised carol singing with people from St Mary's church around the village.

The **Advent Window Trail** was more low-key this year to allow the children's team to concentrate on the children's Christmas Special. We gave out ideas boxes to those who had them last year, but this year people were able to find resources themselves to complete the activities.

At Easter we set up a pop-up **Easter Garden** on the corner outside the school. The focus this year was praying for those in need as a result of the war in Ukraine, and we held a short prayer/reflection time each evening.

Churches working together for Hardwick

Since the start of Hardwick Evangelical Church, we have sought to be in good relationship with the congregation and leadership of St Mary's Church, Hardwick, recognising that some of what we do is done more effectively as two distinct churches but there are also areas where it is more effective to work together.

In the past year the two churches have continued to facilitate **Village Prayers** on Wednesday mornings on Zoom.

In collaboration with WCCYM (West Cambridge Christian Youth Ministries), we also presented "It's Your Move" booklets to Year 6 students at the Hardwick campus of our local primary school.

In September, several people in the church were involved in the Hardwick Eco Event, which was followed on the Sunday by a service jointly with St Mary's church, where we focussed on God and his creation. In June 2022, we were able again to hold a joint service for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We thanked God for the Queen's faithful reign, and his faithfulness to her as he has empowered her through the Holy Spirit for her role as Queen.

Working together for nearby villages

Through WCCYM and the annual Joint Church Service, we have many links with churches and Christians in nearby villages, across denominations. A lot of these contacts are centred around youth work but there are other very useful conversations that emerge from the relationships that are built.

As part of the Eastern Baptist Association (EBA), we have additional links with local Baptist Ministers who meet up every 2-3 months for prayer and support.

On behalf of the EBA, we are administering a grant to support a worker in liaising with South Cambridgeshire District Council and the developers of Bourn Airfield and Cambourne West on behalf of local churches across denominations with regards to preparing the way for Christian witness and presence in that development.

Online presence

For some years now, the church has had a website, YouTube channel and a Facebook page. We continue to publish news online for the local community and record our weekly sermons which are made available in podcast form for streaming or download.

Young Church

This year our church children's work has continued to be co-ordinated by a skilled volunteer, with a team of 12 helping to deliver the children's work. We were pleased that in September we were able to start meeting together in the Community Room again for Young Church and Tiny Church. This obviously took some adjustment after not having met in the school for so long but the children really benefited from the consistency of having a main leader planning and leading our sessions during the Autumn and Winter term.

At the end of January we made a change to the order of our service with the children starting off in their small groups before joining together with the rest of the church at 11.30am. This has helped the children to feel calmer and to engage more during our sessions and the worship time at the end.

Youth Work

During the last year we have been continuing youth sessions during the Sunday morning service most weeks. Sometimes these have been group sessions, and sometimes one-to-one sessions. At times we have followed the same topics as the preaching series, and at other times we have done different themes or books of the Bible.

At the end of the last academic year in July, the minister and youth leader joined with the curate from St Mary's Church, to run two sessions for Yr 6s (two different classes) in Hardwick Primary School, to give out the 'It's Your Move' Scripture Union books and do some activities to help prepare them for secondary school. We have the same session planned for later in July this year.

Our partnership with WCCYM has continued, providing additional regular youthwork activities for young people to get involved in. These activities have included:

- Thirst youth service (monthly)
- Christian Union groups at Comberton Village College and RPE and PSHE lesson
- WCCYM weekend and socials throughout the year
- Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing group (which we held in the church Living Room)

Our Summer Party in July will be hosted in Hardwick, on the field at Hardwick Primary School.

We are very grateful to the volunteers from our church, who regularly run the Sunday morning sessions with the young people. Some have also helped with WCCYM activities, including the Thirst youth service, WCCYM weekend, RPE lessons, and socials.

Safeguarding

The church has two experience Safeguarding leads for the church, one having a focus on children and young people, and one having a focus on adults. No additional leaders have been trained this year. DBS checks and updates are carried out through Thirtyone:eight (previously known as CCPAS – Churches Child Protection Advisory Service). The leads are also responsible for updating the policy and any associated Safeguarding procedures for the church.

Mission Links

Our current Mission Links are: WCCYM, Rehoboth Children's Home in the Philippines, Kathryn Thompson, Central African Mission international, The Lisa Kent Memorial School, GENR8 and the Christian Motorcyclists Association. Once a year, we send a donation to each of our charities. We have a new sponsor child at Rehoboth this year as our previous child has become an adult and moved on.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



Susie Thomson

Treasurer

17 December 2022



Enid Instone-Brewer

Secretary

17 December 2022

HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
TRUSTEE'S REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2022

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

Statement of Trustee's 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 (UK GAAP).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and reports) Regulations 2008 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 to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

Approved by the Trustees on

and signed on their behalf by:



K Gaze
Chairman



S Thomson
Treasurer

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2022 £	2021 £
INCOME FROM:						
Donations and Legacies	2a	36,415	300		36,715	79,608
Investments	2b	1,142			1,142	1,815
Other Income	2c	1,084			1,084	17,002
Total income		38,641	300	0	38,941	98,425
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Employee Costs	3a	24,246			24,246	24,419
Church Activities	3b	10,050	554		10,604	13,517
Administration Costs	3c	12,618			12,618	18,931
Total expenditure		46,914	554	0	47,468	56,867
Net Income/(Expenditure)		(8,273)	(254)	0	(8,527)	41,558
Transfers						
Net Movement in Funds		(8,273)	(254)	0	(8,527)	41,558
Reconciliation of Funds:						
Total funds at April 2021		164,187	13,025	0	177,212	135,654
Total Funds at 31 March 2022		155,914	12,771	0	168,685	177,212

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Note	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
Current Assets:					
Debtors	4	162		-	
Short Term Deposits	5	125,707		126,806	
Cash at Bank	5	44,024		50,406	
		<u>169,892</u>		<u>177,212</u>	
Current Liabilities:					
Creditors	6	1,007			
Accruals	7	200		-	
		<u>1,207</u>		<u>-</u>	
Net Current Assets		168,685		177,212	
Total Net Assets		<u><u>168,685</u></u>		<u><u>177,212</u></u>	
Funds:					
Unrestricted		155,914		164,187	
Restricted	8	12,771		13,025	
Endowment					
Total Funds		<u><u>168,685</u></u>		<u><u>177,212</u></u>	

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and signed on their behalf by:



K Gaze
Chairman



S Thomson
Treasurer

The attached notes form part of these accounts

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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Income from planned giving and other donations are recognised as received. Income tax recoverable on covenants or gift aid donations is recognised when the related income is recognised. Grants and legacies are recognised as received.

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**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

2. Income

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022	2021
		£	£	£	£	£
2a Donations and Legacies						
Pledged Giving		28,302	240		28,542	33,972
Tax Reclaimable		8,113	60		8,173	35,311
Other donations & Legacies					0	10,325
		36,415	300	0	36,715	79,608
2b Investments						
Interest		1,142			1,142	1,815
		1,142	0	0	1,142	1,815
2c Other Income						
SCDC Business Grant						10,000
Fundraising		169			169	33
Sale of resources		439			439	183
Outreach projects					0	798
Room hire		476			476	0
EBA - outreach funding					0	3,000
Sundry					0	2,988
		1,084	0	0	1,084	17,002
Total Income		38,641	300	0	38,941	98,425

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

3 Expenditure

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2022 £	2021 £
Employee Costs	3a	24,246			24,246	24,419
		<u>24,246</u>	0	0	<u>24,246</u>	<u>24,419</u>
Church Activities:	3b					
Church leadership		851			851	178
Children & Families' wor		306			306	333
Youth work			14		14	179
Pastoral		212			212	146
Welfare		156			156	
Outreach (D)		1,223			1,223	2,181
EBA Outreach			540		540	300
Event costs		2,177			2,177	
Sunday services		250			250	50
Mission giving (D)		4,875			4,875	10,150
		<u>10,050</u>	554	0	<u>10,604</u>	<u>13,517</u>
Administration Costs:	3c					
Fees & affiliations		1,749			1,749	1,222
Property Costs		8,140			8,140	14,128
Equipment (D)		1,369			1,369	45
Training & resources (D)		154			154	219
Sundry		96			96	2,947
Bookkeeping		1,010			1,010	
Recruitment		100			100	370
		<u>12,618</u>	0	0	<u>12,618</u>	<u>18,931</u>
Total Expenditure		46,914	554	0	47,468	56,867

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

4. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other debtors	162	-

5. Cash at bank and in hand

Short term deposits:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Hampshire Trust Bank	100,247	25,000
Kingdom Bank	25,460	25,377
United Trust Bank		76,429

Cash at Bank:

CAF bank	44,024	50,406
	169,731	177,212

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	475	
Other creditors	532	
	1,007	-

7. Accruals

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bookkeeping	200	-

8. Restricted Funds

	At 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2022
Children & Families Fund	10,325			10,325
A428 Corridor Development Fund	2,700		540	2,160
Youth Work Fund		300	14	286
	13,025	300	554	12,771

**HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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The Youth Work Fund comes from donations specifically for Youth work.

9. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fund balances as at 31 March 2022 are represented by:			
Current Assets	157,122	12,771	169,892
Current Liabilities	(1,207)		(1,207)
	155,915	12,771	168,685



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Hardwick Christian Fellowship / Hardwick Evangelical Church

On accounts for the year ended

31st March 2022

Charity no (if any) 1163049

Set out on pages

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Signed: MARTIN LEE

Date: 18/07/2022

Name: MARTIN LEE

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

ACMA

(if any):

Address:

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

**Independent examiner's report on the
accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

**On accounts for the year
ended** **Charity no
(if any)**

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Signed:

Date:

Name:

**Relevant professional
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HARDWICK CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1163049

Accounts

Hardwick Evangelical Church

Trustees' report 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Hardwick Christian Fellowship
Other name the charity uses	Hardwick Evangelical Church
Registered charity number	1163049
Charity's principal address	Unit 17, Broadway House, 149-151 St. Neots Road Hardwick, CAMBRIDGE, CB23 7QJ
Email address	HardwickEvangelical@gmail.com
Website	HardwickEvangelicalChurch.co.uk

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by constitution.

Every appointed charity trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a general meeting of the members of the CIO

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Dr S Gaze	Co-minister	To 31 March 2021
2	Mrs E Instone-Brewer	Secretary	
3	Mr D Sage	Treasurer	To 31 March 2021
4	Mrs S Thomson	Treasurer	Elected trustee to 31 March 2021 Treasurer from 1 April 2021
5	Mrs K Gaze	Minister	From 1 April 2021

Objectives of the charity

The objectives of the charity are the advancement of the Christian Faith and other charitable work focusing mainly on Hardwick and nearby villages, to the public benefit as defined in guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

Summary of the main activities of the charity

The church undertook the following activities and encouraged ordinary people to live out the faith as part of a local church through:

- Sunday morning worship and teaching services*
- Meetings in homes for study, discussion and prayer*
- Links with pre-schools, primary schools and secondary schools*
- Links with various community initiatives in the village of Hardwick*
- Various collaborations with other local churches*

* During the Covid-19 pandemic services and meetings have been conducted via the internet. Any face-to-face meetings and activities only occurred under strict adherence to Covid-19 guidelines.

Details of the charity's activities

Financial review

At the end of the financial year 2020-2021, the net current assets on 31st March 2021 were £177,212.

Receipts in the financial year 2020-2021 were £98,425 and payments were £56,867. Full accounts have been prepared and submitted.

Receipts consisted of charitable giving from members and others who attend the church. This year we saw a significant increase in gift aid due to the receipt of a substantial financial gift in the previous year. The charity also received a £10,000 business grant due to the Covid19 pandemic.

Payments included the salaries of two part-time ministers.

The charity seeks to maintain a minimum reserve of six months' salaries and related costs and committed expenditure for rental of the office.

The trustees have no concerns regarding the charity as an ongoing concern.

Leadership Team

The Leadership Team is responsible for discerning the spiritual direction of the church and facilitating growth and development in Christ of church members and the wider community. The Leadership Team comprises the Minister and two lay members. In addition the Trustee Team comprises the Minister (ex officio), secretary, and treasure, and an elected trustee.

Sunday morning services

We continued with services online this year as Covid-19 restrictions remained largely in place throughout the year. We have met most Sunday mornings 10.30-12noon for worship, fellowship and teaching. There have been 20-25 devices tuning in to the services, and it has been encouraging to have new people join us regularly on Sunday mornings during this period. Various people have contributed to services, and there has been a dedicated tech team helping livestream the services via Zoom, YouTube and Facebook. Recordings of the services are available online via the website.

We continued to have communion regularly, usually on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, albeit in our own homes.

We also held two in-person services in 2020 when restrictions allowed: thank you to the Covid Team, who did a thorough risk assessment and made sure everything was in place for us to meet.

Weekday Groups

Weekday groups have continued to meet online during the year.

Preaching

Preaching during the year April 2020 to March 2021 began with a series on prayer, an examination of aspects of the pandemic on church life, Psalms, Mark's gospel, discipleship, 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus. Recordings of talks can be found on the church website as part of the online services.

The Living Room

Over the past year, the Living Room has been invaluable in allowing us to stream our Sunday services on Zoom and other social media. Having superfast broadband has allowed this to run smoothly and has also meant the room has been used by other groups. We look forward now to being able to use the room for a variety of other groups, as restrictions ease.

Community events

At Christmas time, we once again built a **Life-Size Nativity scene** outside Hardwick School, together with others from the community who helped with the construction and maintenance. We were unable to have Christmas Carols at the Nativity scene on Christmas Eve; instead we organised groups of up to 6 people go carol singing down pre-arranged streets and people joined in from their doorsteps and driveways. The minister also arranged, and produced a “virtual” recording and video of ‘Good Christians all rejoice’, with musicians and singers from Hardwick, which was shared on Facebook and YouTube.

We also did an **Advent Window Trail** in partnership with St Mary’s Church with Christmas scenes displayed in various windows around Hardwick. Alongside this, 50 Advent resource boxes containing themed craft activities and a copy of the Jesus Storybook Bible were distributed to families in the village.

At Easter we set up a pop-up **Easter Garden** on the corner outside the school – a place to “Come to me all you who are weary and burdened ... and you will find rest for your souls”, and collaborated with St Mary’s Church to deliver an **Easter Trail**.

As appropriate, the Minister and other church members liaise with other agencies locally and nationally to seek the best pastoral, spiritual and physical health possible for those we serve.

The church continues to be represented at Community Association meetings.

Churches working together for Hardwick

Since the start of Hardwick Evangelical Church, we have sought to be in good relationship with the congregation and leadership of St Mary’s Church, Hardwick, recognising that some of what we do is done more effectively as two distinct churches but there are also areas where it is more effective to work together.

In the past year the rector and the minister have continued to facilitate **Village Prayers** on Weds mornings on Zoom.

In collaboration with WCCYM, we also presented “It’s Your Move” booklets to Year 6 students in the Hardwick campus of our local primary school.

Working together for nearby villages

Through WCCYM (West Cambridge Christian Youth Ministries) and the annual Joint Church Service, we have many links with churches and Christians in nearby villages, across denominations. A lot of these contacts are centred around youth work but there are other very useful conversations that emerge from the relationships that are built.

As part of the Eastern Baptist Association (EBA), we have additional links with local Baptist Ministers who meet up every 2-3 months for prayer and support.

On behalf of the EBA, we are administering a grant to support in liaison with South Cambridgeshire District Council and the developers of Bourn Airfield and Cambourne West on behalf of local

churches across denominations with regards to preparing the way for Christian witness and presence in that development.

Online presence

For some years now, the church has had a website, YouTube channel and a Facebook page. Over the past 18 months since the Covid pandemic lockdown in March 2020, these have been even more important means of communicating more widely than with our usual congregation. During this time, all our services on Zoom have been livestreamed to YouTube (until just before Easter 2021) or Facebook (since Easter 2021), and are available to watch “on demand” on YouTube. The online “marriage course” made available by the Alpha Course was also well received.

Special videos and events have been shared on Facebook and YouTube, with the “unscripted Nativity” video having more than 4,000 views on Facebook. We remain a church rooted and active in our local community but have been privileged to connect with and encourage people around the world.

Young Church

As we have been unable to meet in person for the majority of this year the church has sent out session plans for families in church to complete together at home. Some of the resources have been produced in-house and we have also made use of the free resources provided by ‘Together at Home.’

As well as providing suggested activities for the children we have been trying to help maintain a sense of church community in a variety of ways. We have created a few video sessions featuring some of the Young Church leaders, some members of the wider church family have made video recordings of stories from The Jesus Storybook Bible and some have written letters to the children. Families have also been encouraged to send photos of the things they have been up to at home and to spend time praying for each other as well as looking for practical ways to serve and show love to each other.

Throughout December we worked in partnership with St Mary’s Church to produce ‘Hardwick Advent Windows’ and our Advent resource boxes. Boxes were delivered to 50 families in the village containing activities to complete for each day of Advent as well as a Jesus Storybook Bible and other resources. These were well received and people enjoyed creating their own advent crafts to display in their windows as well as viewing the windows created by members of the two churches. Children from the village enjoyed coming to share their star creations at our life size nativity scene.

At Easter the children in our church were encouraged to share their faith with their friends by helping to create wooden spoon characters to create a mini Easter garden scene near the school. The scene was changed throughout the week with a simple telling of the Easter story. Families in the village were also invited to explore the Easter story further through an interactive Easter Trail which was organised together with St Mary’s Church.

It has been great to see the children playing an active role in some of our church services through helping with leading worship, doing bible readings and taking part in our sharing service. The children also lead the church in prayer when they took part in a children’s day of prayer for our nation. Some families have also been on prayer walks around the village.

At the start of June our children and families were finally able to begin meeting together in person. We have met together outside in a public place straight after the church Zoom service. Families have

brought a picnic and we have spent time praying, reading the bible, singing and doing various other fun activities together.

Youth work

This last year has been a quieter one for specific events organised through our church. Since March 2020, we organised a series of online youth gatherings on Zoom for young people linked to our church, with time to chat and play games, and a short time of testimony or discussion based on a Bible passage or theme linked to the Christian faith. There are plans to go into Hardwick Primary school in July, jointly with a representative from St Mary's Church, to do a session to help the Yr 6 students with their transition to Yr 7, giving out the Scripture Union 'It's Your Move' booklets as a gift from the churches.

Our partnership with WCCYM has meant that there has been regular youth work activities for young people to get involved in (which most young people linked to our church have done, for varying activities).

We are very grateful to the volunteers from our church.

Safeguarding

Eight people from our church have undertaken the EBA Safeguarding training during June, which involved an excellent video resource from the EBA covering the essential aspects of Safeguarding (children and young people, and adults at risk too). DBS checks are kept up to date through Thirtyone:eight (previously known as CCPAS – Churches Child Protection Advisory Service).

Mission giving

Our current Mission Links are: WCCYM, Rehoboth, Kathryn Thompson, Central African Mission international, The Lisa Kent Memorial School, GENR8 and the Christian Motorcyclists Association. Once a year, we send a donation to each of our charities.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature		
Full name	Susie Thomson	Enid Instone-Brewer
Position	Treasurer	Secretary
Date	9 November 2021	9 November 2021

HARDWICK CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH Financial Year 2020 - 2021		Current Account	Shawbrook Fixed Yield Savings Account	Hampshire Trust Bank	Kingdom Bank	United Trust Bank	Total Funds
1	Receipts						
2	Gift Aid: Tax Refund 19-20	35,311					35,311
3	Gifts: Regular Giving	33,720					33,720
4	Gifts: Youth Work	252					252
5	Higher Interest A/cs	1,815					1,815
6	Advent Windows, Christmas Cards & Nativity Scene	183					183
7	On-line Shopping	33					33
8	Bibles	310					310
9	Bursary	1,000					1,000
10	Caxton Baptist Church	10,325					10,325
11	Christmas Hampers	428					428
12	Easter	60					60
13	Eastern Baptist Association - New Housing Development	3,000					3,000
14	South Cambridgeshire Council - Business Grant	10,000					10,000
15	WCCYM	277					277
16	Hardwick Network	1,351					1,351
17	Office	40					40
18	Other	70					70
19	Welfare	250					250
20	TOTAL RECEIPTS	98,425	0	0	0	0	98,425
21	Payments						
22	Salary: Co-Ministers (Incl. Employer's costs)	21,860					21,860
23	Pension: Co-Ministers	2,559					2,559
24	Expenses: Co-Ministers	178					178
25	Expenses: Pastoral	146					146
26	Fees: Insurance & Affiliation	1,222					1,222
27	Office	13,239					13,239
28	Resources: General	179					179
29	Resources: Young Church	258					258
30	Resources: Youth Work	179					179
31	Training: General	40					40
32	Accommodation: Church Meetings (Food/Refresh)	889					889
33	Accommodation: Children's Work	75					75
34	Eastern Baptist Assoc: Cluster Groups and Annual Gift	150					150
35	Equipment	45					45
36	Speaker	50					50
37	Welfare	507					507
38	Christmas Cards and Nativity Scene	232					232
39	Special Outreach	450					450
40	Village Schools	70					70
41	Missionary & Mission Donations	10,000					10,000
42	Bibles	390					390
43	Bursary	1,000					1,000
44	Christmas Hampers	532					532
45	Eastern Baptist Association - New Housing Development	300					300
46	Hardwick Network	1,351					1,351
47	Recruitment - Children & Families Worker/Youth Worker	370					370
48	South Cambridgeshire Council - Business Grant part	596					596
49	TOTAL PAYMENTS	56,867	0	0	0	0	56,867
50	Net Operating income / (expenditure)	41,558	0	0	0	0	41,558
51	Transfers	12,172	12,172				0
52	Transfers	25,000		25,000			0
53	Net movement of funds	28,730	12,172	25,000			41,558
54	Opening Balance	23,491	12,002	0	25,161	75,000	135,654
55	Closing Balance	50,406	0	25,000	25,377	76,429	177,212
56	Movement in Funds	26,915	12,002	25,000	216	1,429	41,558



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
HARDWICK CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP / HARDWICK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

On accounts for the year ended

31 ST March 2021	Charity no (if any)	1163049
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you 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.

Independent examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
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Signed:

Date: 20/06/2021

Name:

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Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

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(if any):

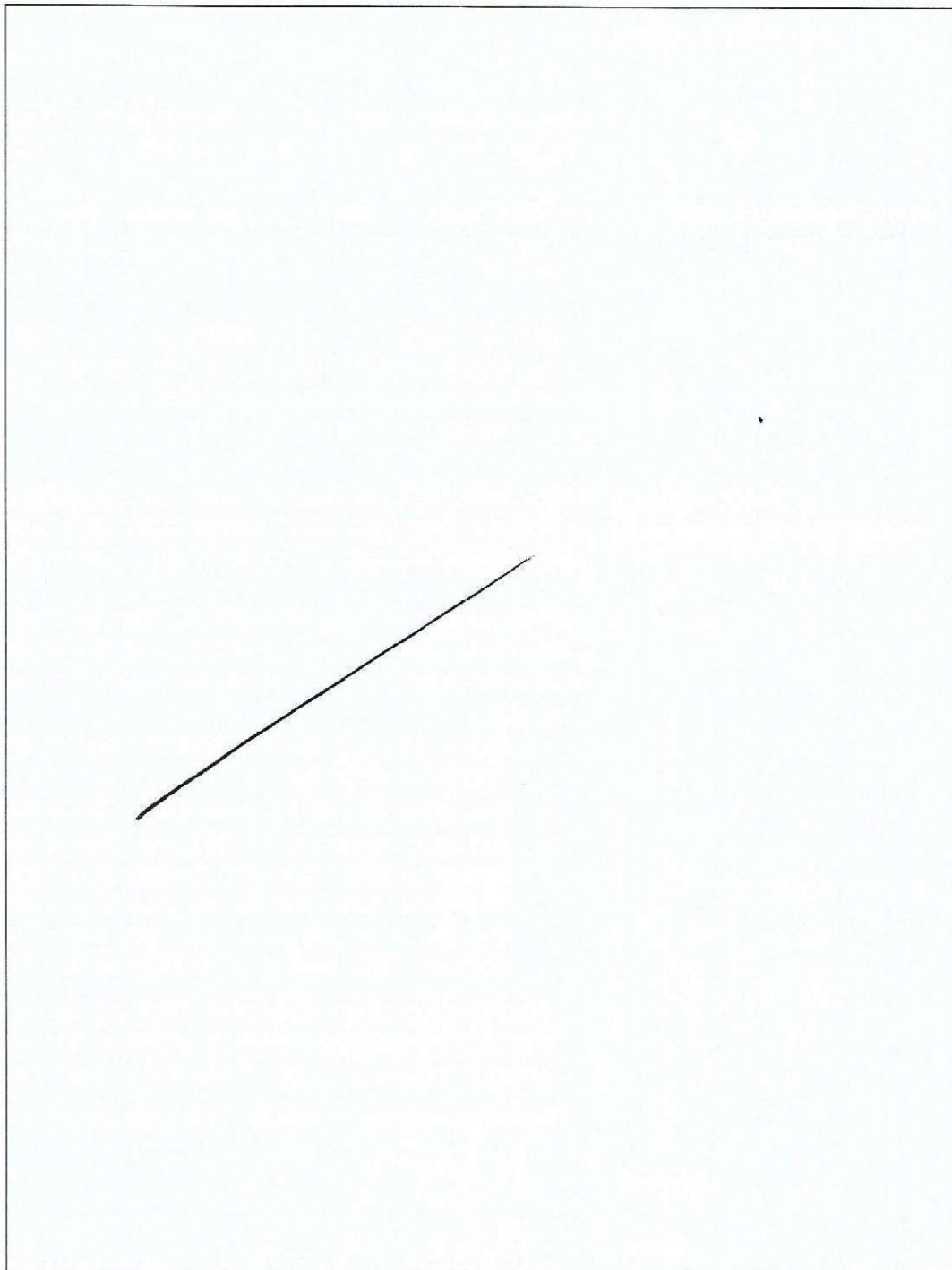
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Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Gift Aid: Tax Refund 19-20	35,311	-	-	35,311	8,970
Gifts: Regular Giving	33,720	-	-	33,720	33,334
Gifts: Increased Giving	-	-	-	-	539
Gifts: Youth Work	-	252	-	252	240
Interest:	1,815	-	-	1,815	70
Outreach: Community and Local Churches	183	-	-	183	479
One-Off Gifts	-	-	-	-	109,237
On-line Shopping	33	-	-	33	68
Welfare	-	250	-	250	200
Bursary	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Caxton Baptist Church	-	10,325	-	10,325	-
Eastern Baptist Association NHD Officer	-	3,000	-	3,000	-
Hardwick Network	-	1,351	-	1,351	-
Office	40	-	-	40	-
Outreach: Community and Local Churches	-	798	-	798	-
South Cambridgeshire Council - Business Grant	10,000	-	-	10,000	-
Other Receipts	347	-	-	347	1,061
Total receipts	81,449	16,976	-	98,425	154,198
A2 Payments					
Salaries, Pensions & wages	24,419	-	-	24,419	29,328
Staff Expenses	324	-	-	324	1,367
Fees	1,222	-	-	1,222	1,150
Office	13,239	-	-	13,239	4,176
Resources	437	179	-	616	576
Training	40	-	-	40	218
Accommodation	964	-	-	964	2,336
Eastern Baptist Association NHD Officer	150	300	-	450	268
Equipment	45	-	-	45	769
Speaker & Services	50	-	-	50	765
Welfare	257	250	-	507	600
Outreach: Community and Local Churches	803	871	-	1,674	1,391
Missionary & Mission Donations	10,000	-	-	10,000	5,050
Bursary	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Hardwick Network	-	1,351	-	1,351	-
South Cambridgeshire Council - Business Grant	596	-	-	596	-
Other Payments	370	-	-	370	832
Total payments	52,916	3,951	-	56,867	48,826
Net of receipts/(payments)	28,533	13,025	-	41,558	105,372
A3 Cash funds last year end	135,654	-	-	135,654	-
Cash funds this year end	164,187	13,025	-	177,212	105,372

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	37,380	13,025	-
	Savings Account	126,807	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	164,187	13,025	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))