

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

| From | Period start date | | | To | Period end date | | |
|------|-------------------|-------|------|----|-----------------|-------|------|
| | Day | Month | Year | | Day | Month | Year |
| | 01 | 04 | 2022 | | 31 | 03 | 2023 |

Section A Reference and administration details

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| Charity name | Sladebrook Evangelical Church |
| Other names charity is known by | Sladebrook Church |
| Registered charity number (if any) | 1163375 |
| Charity's principal address | 239 Englishcombe Lane BATH BA2 2ER |

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

| | Trustee name | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for whole year | Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any) |
|----|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Paul Brind | | | |
| 2 | Alan Ashworth | | 01/04/2022 – 12/09/2022 | |
| 3 | Timothy Tappenden | | 12/09/2022 – 31/03/2023 | |
| 4 | Christopher Martin | Chair | | |
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

| Name | Dates acted if not for whole year |
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
|-----------------|------|---------|
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

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|---|--------------------------------------|
| Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution) | Constitution |
| How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company) | Charitable Incorporated Organisation |
| Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by) | Appointed by existing trustees |

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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

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

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The object of the CIO is, for the public benefit, the advancement of the Christian faith in Somerset and such other parts of the United Kingdom as the charity trustees may from time to time decide.

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

The church at Sladebrook exists to:

- Promote the Christian faith within our immediate area
- Provide opportunities for people to gather to worship
- Assist understanding of the faith through teaching of the Bible
- Support outreach and missionary work in our local area, more broadly across the UK, and also around the world

The trustees have these objectives in mind when considering and planning activities, giving consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of religion.

The main activities of the charity towards these goals are:

- Christian services held weekly for the local community, including the main Sunday morning worship service and various prayer meetings.
- Weekly home groups for prayer, Bible study and discussion.
- Seasonal special events (e.g. Christmas and Easter)
- Weekly coffee morning
- Building awareness of Christian ministries in the UK and overseas through visiting speakers and video/DVD, and supporting these ministries by prayer and financial gifts.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This was the first full post-pandemic year which meant that we were able to meet in person throughout (reverting to Zoom on just one or two occasions because of local conditions). This in turn meant that the church was able to function as intended, providing support and encouragement to the local members and to the broader community through the weekly coffee mornings which have been increasingly popular. Sunday mornings continue to be the key focus for worship and we have welcomed a number of visiting speakers from across the city and beyond, as well as Bible teaching from members of our own fellowship. Smaller home groups on a mid-week evening give opportunity for more detailed exploration of the Bible passages and how they relate to everyday life. The men's group met regularly to explore topics around what it means to live as a man from a biblical perspective. The building was also used for a number of funerals, which serves as a reminder that our faith provides comfort and hope for the bereaved.

We have continued to search for a full-time pastor to come and work with us but thus far no suitable candidate has been identified. The funds in the Church Worker account continued to grow, leading to a decision in October to recommend that people pause their freewill giving until we find the right person.

Despite the church contracting slightly, overall giving held up well being only slightly down on the previous year. However increased expenditure (in particular the updating/upgrading of the electrical wiring) meant that the size of the surplus was much smaller than previously. We were able to continue to support the work of Genesis Trust in Bath (working with the homeless and disadvantaged of our city), and Bath Youth For Christ. We also supported the work of national Christian charities such as Tearfund and the Bible Society. As well as financial giving, we had a monthly collection of food items which were donated to the Bath Foodbank.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The church does not have a formal policy on reserves, but aims to keep sufficient funds in the General Fund to support expected expenditure for the next few months. Reserves are allowed to accumulate when exceptional future expenditure is anticipated.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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

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

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

T D Tapperden

Full name(s)

Timothy Tapperden

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

Date

29/10/2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Sladebrook Evangelical Church

No (if any)
1163375

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Receipts and payments accounts

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|------------------------|---------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|
| For the period from | Period start date 01/04/2022 | To | Period end date 31/03/2023 |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|

Section A Receipts and payments

| | Unrestricted funds to the nearest £ | Restricted funds to the nearest £ | Endowment funds to the nearest £ | Total funds to the nearest £ | Last year to the nearest £ |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A1 Receipts | | | | | |
| Voluntary giving | 28,640 | - | - | 28,640 | 33,535 |
| Income tax refunds | 5,472 | - | - | 5,472 | 7,217 |
| Interest income | 167 | - | - | 167 | 7 |
| Gift from Building Trustees re. Electrical work | 5,320 | - | - | 5,320 | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 39,599 | - | - | 39,599 | 40,759 |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total receipts | 39,599 | - | - | 39,599 | 40,759 |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| Heat and light | 3,002 | - | - | 3,002 | 1,055 |
| Insurance | 1,569 | - | - | 1,569 | 1,535 |
| Water rates | 103 | - | - | 103 | 100 |
| Cleaning | 2,410 | - | - | 2,410 | 654 |
| Preachers expenses | 1,875 | - | - | 1,875 | 1,440 |
| Sundry operating expenses | 1,660 | - | - | 1,660 | 2,063 |
| Support of Christian ministries and relief | 10,760 | - | - | 10,760 | 11,904 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 9,354 | - | - | 9,354 | 5,491 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | 30,733 | - | - | 30,733 | 24,242 |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total payments | 30,733 | - | - | 30,733 | 24,242 |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | 8,866 | - | - | 8,866 | 16,517 |
| A5 Transfers between funds | - | - | - | - | - |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | 82,018 | - | - | 82,018 | 65,501 |
| Cash funds this year end | 90,884 | - | - | 90,884 | 82,018 |

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

| Categories | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| B1 Cash funds | | | | |
| | General Fund | 5,308 | - | - |
| | Church Worker Fund | 84,638 | - | - |
| | Maintenance & Decoration Fund | 938 | - | - |
| | Total cash funds | 90,884 | - | - |

CCXX R1 accounts (SS)

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

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01/04/2022


| | | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
|---------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| B2 Other monetary assets | Details | | | |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |

| | | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|-----------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| B3 Investment assets | Details | | | |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |

| | | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|---|---------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | Details | | | |
| | | | - | - |
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| | | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
|-----------------------|---------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| B5 Liabilities | Details | | | |
| | | | - | |
| | | | - | |
| | | | - | |
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf
of all the trustees

| Signature | Print Name | Date of approval |
|---|-------------------------|------------------|
|  | CHRISTOPHER JOHN MARTIN | 29/10/23 |
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
SLADEBROOK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1163375

Set out on pages

(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 / 2023**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:

Keith E. Gammon.

Date:

07/12/2023.

Name:

KEITH E. GAMMON.

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address:

34, SOUTHSTOKE ROAD,
COMBE DOWN,
BATH, BA2 5SN.

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

1. The first of these is the fact that the Commission has not yet received the information requested by the Commission in its letter of 10 October 1990. The Commission is therefore unable to proceed with its investigation at this time.

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