

Dorchester Family Ch

A Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Charity Number 1163899

Trustees' Annual Report 2023

Objectives and activities

Dorchester Family Church has the following objectives;

- To promote the Christian Faith within the United Kingdom and overseas.
- To promote charitable purposes for the benefit of the inhabitants of Dorchester and elsewhere in Dorset including the relief of those in poverty or in need because of youth, age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage and the advancement of religious and secular education.

The trustees are committed to ensuring that as many people as possible can worship at our meetings and participate in our activities. We support the provision of these activities by employing a Lead Elder/Pastor, an Elder (part-time) and an Office Manager.

We have a regular Sunday morning meeting at the Thomas Hardy School theatre and the sixth form centre between 10am and 12 noon, which are open to the public. These meetings enable everyone to worship God, pray and listen to Bible teaching. In parallel, using the sixth form centre, we provide activities for children. These are divided into age-based groups (based on school years). They are;

“Live Wires” (0 – 3): This is a fully supervised crèche program for babies. It includes interactive bible based activities including stories, games, craft & prizes.

“Bright Sparks” (4 – 8): This group aims to communicate the love of God to a generation, and empower them to make a positive difference in the world. We promote acceptance of others and nurture a healthy self-image. The activities include; games, singing, drama, Bible teaching, craft and small group work.

“Fusion” (9-12): This runs as a small group format and aims to help children deal with the pressures of teenage life. This involves discussion, games, drama etc. The group also has some mid-week meetings.

“Ignite” (13-18): Meets Sundays at The Thomas Hardy School to discuss life and being an older teen, and also mid week to give our young people a safe place to air their views and values.

We provide a range of mid-week activities. These include;

“Connect Groups”: Smaller groups that meet in people’s homes across Dorchester and the surrounding villages. The aim of these groups is to build relationships and to serve others in the community through team-based initiatives. Attendance is usually on a geographic basis, but groups are open to all.

“Ignite Connect Group”: As indicated above, this is a mid-week group for fourteen to eighteen year olds, its aim is to discuss issues that relate to this particular age group and to give our young people a safe place to air their views.

“Live Wires Playgroup”: This is a mid-week group that meets weekly at the Dorchester Youth Centre for parents with young pre-school age children, it allows the toddlers to play together, while the parents or carers have a cup of tea and cake and discuss the joys of parenting!

“Cameo Group”: a mid-week ministry for women, engaging in a range of activities.

“Men’s Group”: a mid-week/weekend ministry for men that also engages in a range of activities.

“Worship Team Night”: This group meets once a week. Sometimes this involves having a meal together or playing music together.

From time to time we also provide the following course format activities, available to all, to assist in achieving our objectives;

“The Alpha Course”: We run this course on a regular basis in the evenings or on Sunday mornings over a 10-week period. The course involves a meal, a talk and a discussion time. The aim of Alpha is to provide an opportunity for people within the community to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed atmosphere.

“Getting Connected Course”: When people have done Alpha and are often attending regularly on a Sunday, a course is run once a week over a number of weeks to let them know exactly what it means to belong to the Church.

Achievements and performance

During the period January to December 2023 attendance at our events, in particular the Sunday morning meetings, has continued to increase from 2022, with a typical meeting attracting 210 people. The increase in attendance numbers means that we have to consider other options as the venue is nearing capacity. During this period we have not been able to find venues with a greater capacity, and so we anticipate considering a multiple Sunday meeting approach in the next year, in relation to our current venue, and to further consider a property purchase as an alternative. This approach will be reflected in our financial balances. With the permission of

the school authorities, we had been able to continue our use of a mobile baptismal pool and have been able to conduct full immersion baptism for those seeking it.

We have ensured our venue is accessible on a step free basis, has appropriate sound relays and well-placed screens for reading accessibility.

In addition, we have run outdoor church meetings, sporting and family gathering events and have also joined with other churches in shared worship and teaching provision. The principal event in this calendar was the Commission Festival.

We have been pleased to actively support the Dorchester food bank and Dorchester Family Support as part of our work delivering outcomes in line with our charitable objectives.

Safeguarding

We continue to operate our safeguarding policy, which is reviewed each April as a minimum. We operate a system of Disclosure and Barring Service Checks, through "31:8".

Financial Information

Our attached financial report provides details of our financial activities. At the close of this reporting period (31/12/2023) we had total unrestricted funds amounting to £214,915.

This year we continued to use our funds to give to a range of groups and projects, in accordance with our objectives. The details are in our accounts report.

Reserves Policy

It is our policy to hold in reserves the equivalent of six months' general running costs including salaries. It is also our policy to hold reserves to allow for the renewal of equipment and assets when this becomes necessary; to reserve for potential changes in staff and to reserve for any planned special events or projects.

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE004515 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1163899

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023
for
Dorchester Family Church

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

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Trustees

D Keeling
A Whiting
Mrs R Simons
C Osborne
L Crosthwaite (resigned 17.10.23)
J Kinder (appointed 18.4.23)

Company Secretary

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 28/4/24 and signed on its behalf by:



A Whiting - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Dorchester Family Church

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dorchester Family Church ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
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Alison Hunter

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Date:

Dorchester Family Church

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

| | Notes | 31.12.23 Unrestricted fund £ | 31.12.22 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | 187,800 | 189,597 |
| Other trading activities | 2 | 3,284 | 6,946 |
| Investment income | 3 | 3,346 | 691 |
| Other income | | - | 3,531 |
| Total | | <u>194,430</u> | <u>200,765</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | |
| Raising funds | | 63,517 | 50,372 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Groups | | - | 207 |
| Other | | <u>134,061</u> | <u>122,615</u> |
| Total | | <u>197,578</u> | <u>173,194</u> |
| NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) | | (3,148) | 27,571 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 218,063 | 190,492 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | <u><u>214,915</u></u> | <u><u>218,063</u></u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

Dorchester Family Church

Balance Sheet
31 December 2023

| | | 31.12.23 Unrestricted fund £ | 31.12.22 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | Notes | | |
| Tangible assets | 8 | 7,593 | 8,933 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Debtors | 9 | 9,448 | 9,109 |
| Cash at bank | | 201,602 | 208,011 |
| | | <u>211,050</u> | <u>217,120</u> |
| CREDITORS | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 10 | (3,728) | (7,990) |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | <u>207,322</u> | <u>209,130</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | 214,915 | 218,063 |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>214,915</u> | <u>218,063</u> |
| FUNDS | 11 | | |
| Unrestricted funds | | 214,915 | 218,063 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | <u>214,915</u> | <u>218,063</u> |

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

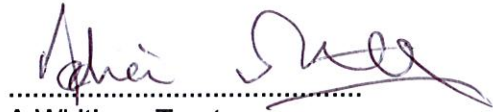
- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

Dorchester Family Church

Balance Sheet - continued
31 December 2023

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'A Whiting', is written over a dotted line.

A Whiting - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings - 15% on reducing balance

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

| | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Commission Refund | 385 | - |
| Event Tickets | 69 | 6,918 |
| Books | 49 | 28 |
| Newday | 1,731 | - |
| Fund Income | 1,050 | - |
| | <u>3,284</u> | <u>6,946</u> |

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

| | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Deposit account interest | 3,279 | 691 |
| Interest receivable - trading | 67 | - |
| | <u>3,346</u> | <u>691</u> |

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

| | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| | £ | £ |
| Depreciation - owned assets | 1,340 | 1,577 |
| Other operating leases | 37,476 | 28,009 |
| Surplus on disposal of fixed assets | - | (3,531) |
| | <u></u> | <u></u> |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

| | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|---------|---------------|---------------|
| Support | 3 | 3 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

| | Unrestricted fund £ |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | |
| Donations and legacies | 189,597 |
| Other trading activities | 6,946 |
| Investment income | 691 |
| Other income | 3,531 |
| Total | <u>200,765</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | |
| Raising funds | 50,372 |
| Charitable activities | |
| Groups | 207 |
| Other | 122,615 |
| Total | <u>173,194</u> |
| NET INCOME | 27,571 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | |
| Total funds brought forward | 190,492 |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

Unrestricted
fund
£

**TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED
FORWARD**

218,063

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Fixtures
and
fittings
£

COST

At 1 January 2023 and
31 December 2023

17,982

DEPRECIATION

At 1 January 2023
Charge for year

9,049

1,340

At 31 December 2023

10,389

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 December 2023

7,593

At 31 December 2022

8,933

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

31.12.23

31.12.22

£

£

Other debtors

9,271

8,918

Prepayments

177

191

9,448

9,109

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 31.12.23 £ | 31.12.22 £ |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trade creditors | - | (1) |
| Social security and other taxes | 2,996 | 671 |
| Accrued expenses | 732 | 7,320 |
| | <u>3,728</u> | <u>7,990</u> |

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

| | At 1.1.23 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.12.23 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 218,063 | (3,148) | 214,915 |
| | <u>218,063</u> | <u>(3,148)</u> | <u>214,915</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>218,063</u> | <u>(3,148)</u> | <u>214,915</u> |

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 194,430 | (197,578) | (3,148) |
| | <u>194,430</u> | <u>(197,578)</u> | <u>(3,148)</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>194,430</u> | <u>(197,578)</u> | <u>(3,148)</u> |

Comparatives for movement in funds

| | At 1.1.22 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.12.22 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 190,492 | 27,571 | 218,063 |
| | <u>190,492</u> | <u>27,571</u> | <u>218,063</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>190,492</u> | <u>27,571</u> | <u>218,063</u> |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 200,765 | (173,194) | 27,571 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>200,765</u> | <u>(173,194)</u> | <u>27,571</u> |

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

| | At 1.1.22 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.12.23 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 190,492 | 24,423 | 214,915 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>190,492</u> | <u>24,423</u> | <u>214,915</u> |

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 395,195 | (370,772) | 24,423 |
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| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>395,195</u> | <u>(370,772)</u> | <u>24,423</u> |

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Dorchester Family Church

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

| | 31.12.23 £ | 31.12.22 £ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS | | |
| Donations and legacies | | |
| Gifts | 156,915 | 157,937 |
| Donations | 150 | - |
| Gift aid | 30,735 | 31,660 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 187,800 | 189,597 |
| Other trading activities | | |
| Commission Refund | 385 | - |
| Event Tickets | 69 | 6,918 |
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| Other income | | |
| Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets | - | 3,531 |
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| Total incoming resources | 194,430 | 200,765 |
| EXPENDITURE | | |
| Raising donations and legacies | | |
| Other operating leases | 37,476 | 28,009 |
| Evangelism / Mission | 221 | 751 |
| Commission / Mission Fund | 11,075 | 9,784 |
| Alpha | 494 | 30 |
| Speakers Gift | 550 | 400 |
| Church Family | 580 | 689 |
| Family fun day | 390 | - |
| Church Gift | 2,370 | 1,503 |
| Newday | 3,833 | 1,655 |
| Farmfest | - | 7,551 |
| Commission Festival | 6,528 | - |
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| | 63,517 | 50,372 |

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

| | 31.12.23 £ | 31.12.22 £ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Raising donations and legacies | | |
| Charitable activities | | |
| Travel | - | 207 |
| Other | | |
| Depreciation of tangible fixed assets | 1,340 | 1,577 |
| Support costs | | |
| Management | | |
| Wages | 76,405 | 71,775 |
| Social security | 21,913 | 21,367 |
| Pensions | 7,932 | 8,205 |
| Insurance | 772 | 807 |
| Light and heat | 3,893 | - |
| Telephone | 680 | 153 |
| Postage and stationery | 2,407 | 3,349 |
| Sundries | 810 | 216 |
| Training | 1,742 | 3,576 |
| Website | 125 | 125 |
| Software | 114 | 37 |
| Subscriptions | 2,140 | 1,863 |
| Travel | 207 | 1,108 |
| Other direct costs | 10,066 | 4,936 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 129,206 | 117,517 |
| Finance | | |
| Bank charges | 65 | 81 |
| Information technology | | |
| Repairs and renewals | 2,100 | 1,064 |
| Governance costs | | |
| Accountancy and legal fees | 1,350 | 2,376 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total resources expended | 197,578 | 173,194 |
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| Net (expenditure)/income | (3,148) | 27,571 |
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Alison Hunter

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Date:

Dorchester Family Church

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

| | | 31.12.23 Unrestricted fund £ | 31.12.22 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | Notes | | |
| Donations and legacies | | 187,800 | 189,597 |
| Other trading activities | 2 | 3,284 | 6,946 |
| Investment income | 3 | 3,346 | 691 |
| Other income | | - | 3,531 |
| Total | | <u>194,430</u> | <u>200,765</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | |
| Raising funds | | 63,517 | 50,372 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Groups | | - | 207 |
| Other | | <u>134,061</u> | <u>122,615</u> |
| Total | | <u>197,578</u> | <u>173,194</u> |
| NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) | | (3,148) | 27,571 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 218,063 | 190,492 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | <u><u>214,915</u></u> | <u><u>218,063</u></u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

Dorchester Family Church

Balance Sheet
31 December 2023

| | | 31.12.23 Unrestricted fund £ | 31.12.22 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | Notes | | |
| Tangible assets | 8 | 7,593 | 8,933 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Debtors | 9 | 9,448 | 9,109 |
| Cash at bank | | 201,602 | 208,011 |
| | | <u>211,050</u> | <u>217,120</u> |
| CREDITORS | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 10 | (3,728) | (7,990) |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | <u>207,322</u> | <u>209,130</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | 214,915 | 218,063 |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>214,915</u> | <u>218,063</u> |
| FUNDS | 11 | | |
| Unrestricted funds | | 214,915 | 218,063 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | <u>214,915</u> | <u>218,063</u> |

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

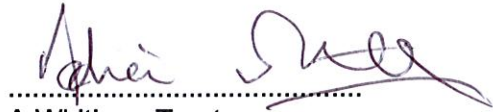
- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

Dorchester Family Church

Balance Sheet - continued
31 December 2023

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'A Whiting', is written over a dotted line.

A Whiting - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings - 15% on reducing balance

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

| | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Commission Refund | 385 | - |
| Event Tickets | 69 | 6,918 |
| Books | 49 | 28 |
| Newday | 1,731 | - |
| Fund Income | 1,050 | - |
| | <u>3,284</u> | <u>6,946</u> |

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

| | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Deposit account interest | 3,279 | 691 |
| Interest receivable - trading | 67 | - |
| | <u>3,346</u> | <u>691</u> |

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

| | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| | £ | £ |
| Depreciation - owned assets | 1,340 | 1,577 |
| Other operating leases | 37,476 | 28,009 |
| Surplus on disposal of fixed assets | - | (3,531) |
| | <u></u> | <u></u> |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

| | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|---------|---------------|---------------|
| Support | 3 | 3 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

| | Unrestricted fund £ |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | |
| Donations and legacies | 189,597 |
| Other trading activities | 6,946 |
| Investment income | 691 |
| Other income | 3,531 |
| Total | <u>200,765</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | |
| Raising funds | 50,372 |
| Charitable activities | |
| Groups | 207 |
| Other | 122,615 |
| Total | <u>173,194</u> |
| NET INCOME | 27,571 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | |
| Total funds brought forward | 190,492 |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

Unrestricted
fund
£

**TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED
FORWARD**

218,063

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Fixtures
and
fittings
£

COST

At 1 January 2023 and
31 December 2023

17,982

DEPRECIATION

At 1 January 2023
Charge for year

9,049

1,340

At 31 December 2023

10,389

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 December 2023

7,593

At 31 December 2022

8,933

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

31.12.23

31.12.22

£

£

Other debtors

9,271

8,918

Prepayments

177

191

9,448

9,109

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 31.12.23 £ | 31.12.22 £ |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trade creditors | - | (1) |
| Social security and other taxes | 2,996 | 671 |
| Accrued expenses | 732 | 7,320 |
| | <u>3,728</u> | <u>7,990</u> |

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

| | At 1.1.23 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.12.23 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 218,063 | (3,148) | 214,915 |
| | <u>218,063</u> | <u>(3,148)</u> | <u>214,915</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>218,063</u> | <u>(3,148)</u> | <u>214,915</u> |

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 194,430 | (197,578) | (3,148) |
| | <u>194,430</u> | <u>(197,578)</u> | <u>(3,148)</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>194,430</u> | <u>(197,578)</u> | <u>(3,148)</u> |

Comparatives for movement in funds

| | At 1.1.22 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.12.22 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 190,492 | 27,571 | 218,063 |
| | <u>190,492</u> | <u>27,571</u> | <u>218,063</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>190,492</u> | <u>27,571</u> | <u>218,063</u> |

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 200,765 | (173,194) | 27,571 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>200,765</u> | <u>(173,194)</u> | <u>27,571</u> |

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

| | At 1.1.22 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.12.23 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 190,492 | 24,423 | 214,915 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>190,492</u> | <u>24,423</u> | <u>214,915</u> |

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 395,195 | (370,772) | 24,423 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>395,195</u> | <u>(370,772)</u> | <u>24,423</u> |

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Dorchester Family Church

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

| | 31.12.23 £ | 31.12.22 £ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS | | |
| Donations and legacies | | |
| Gifts | 156,915 | 157,937 |
| Donations | 150 | - |
| Gift aid | 30,735 | 31,660 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 187,800 | 189,597 |
| Other trading activities | | |
| Commission Refund | 385 | - |
| Event Tickets | 69 | 6,918 |
| Books | 49 | 28 |
| Newday | 1,731 | - |
| Fund Income | 1,050 | - |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 3,284 | 6,946 |
| Investment income | | |
| Deposit account interest | 3,279 | 691 |
| Interest receivable - trading | 67 | - |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 3,346 | 691 |
| Other income | | |
| Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets | - | 3,531 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total incoming resources | 194,430 | 200,765 |
| EXPENDITURE | | |
| Raising donations and legacies | | |
| Other operating leases | 37,476 | 28,009 |
| Evangelism / Mission | 221 | 751 |
| Commission / Mission Fund | 11,075 | 9,784 |
| Alpha | 494 | 30 |
| Speakers Gift | 550 | 400 |
| Church Family | 580 | 689 |
| Family fun day | 390 | - |
| Church Gift | 2,370 | 1,503 |
| Newday | 3,833 | 1,655 |
| Farmfest | - | 7,551 |
| Commission Festival | 6,528 | - |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 63,517 | 50,372 |

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Dorchester Family Church

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

| | 31.12.23 £ | 31.12.22 £ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Raising donations and legacies | | |
| Charitable activities | | |
| Travel | - | 207 |
| Other | | |
| Depreciation of tangible fixed assets | 1,340 | 1,577 |
| Support costs | | |
| Management | | |
| Wages | 76,405 | 71,775 |
| Social security | 21,913 | 21,367 |
| Pensions | 7,932 | 8,205 |
| Insurance | 772 | 807 |
| Light and heat | 3,893 | - |
| Telephone | 680 | 153 |
| Postage and stationery | 2,407 | 3,349 |
| Sundries | 810 | 216 |
| Training | 1,742 | 3,576 |
| Website | 125 | 125 |
| Software | 114 | 37 |
| Subscriptions | 2,140 | 1,863 |
| Travel | 207 | 1,108 |
| Other direct costs | 10,066 | 4,936 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 129,206 | 117,517 |
| Finance | | |
| Bank charges | 65 | 81 |
| Information technology | | |
| Repairs and renewals | 2,100 | 1,064 |
| Governance costs | | |
| Accountancy and legal fees | 1,350 | 2,376 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total resources expended | 197,578 | 173,194 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net (expenditure)/income | (3,148) | 27,571 |
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