

GATEWAY CHURCH NORTHUMBERLAND

England & Wales · Charity number 1164586

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-11-26

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Activities

Objects: (1) THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND OVERSEAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF FAITH PRODUCED BY THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE(2) TO RELIEVE PEOPLE WHO ARE IN CHARITABLE NEED BECAUSE OF:A) SICKNESS OR POOR HEALTHB) AGE C) FINANCIAL HARDSHIP ORD) SOME OTHER REASON BY ANY PROPER MEANS AS THE TRUSTEES THINK FIT AND INCLUDING (WHERE APPROPRIATE BUT NOT BY WAY OF LIMITATION) THE PROVISION OF ADVICE, THE PROMOTIONS OF GOOD PRACTICES TO COMBAT SUCH CONDITIONS AND THE PROVISION OF RESOURCES TO ALLEVIATE OR PREVENT NEED.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Northumberland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£47,329	£34,421	-	-
2024-03-31	£46,018	£33,878	-	-
2023-03-31	£32,606	£24,564	-	-
2022-03-31	£25,807	£19,404	-	-
2021-03-31	£22,974	£13,212	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Steven John Hardwick	Chair	2026-01-25
GILL BRAY		2014-12-01
Heather Ann Hardwick		2026-01-25
JOSS BRAY		2014-12-01
Sarah Fenwick		2024-09-23
Susan Elizabeth Whitworth		2024-09-23

Accounts



**Gateway Church
Northumberland**

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(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Annual Report
Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Gateway Church Northumberland

Charity registration number: 1164586

Registered Office and operational address:

Dene House
Shilbottle
Alnwick
Northumberland
NE66 2HS

Church Eldership

Joss Bray
Dave Harbertson
Ray Middleton

Trustees

Mr D Harbertson	Chair
Mrs J Verity	Minutes Secretary
Mrs G Bray	Treasurer
Dr J Bray	
Mr W Ritchie	Resigned 19-1-25
Mrs S Fenwick	Appointed 23-9-24
Mrs S Whitworth	Appointed 23-9-24

Auditors -

Lucid Accounting Ltd
1 Trinity Green, Eldon Street, South Shields, NE33 1SA

Bankers - Lloyds Bank PLC, PO box 1000, BX1 1LT



Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered as a charity on 1st December 2014. The charity was established with a constitution who's only voting members are its charity trustees. In the event of the charity being wound up the trustees have no liability to settle its debts and liabilities.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Constitution, except for the initial Trustees, every Trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees.

There shall be a minimum of three and a maximum of twelve Trustees.

Any person retiring as a Trustee is eligible for reappointment.

All members of the Trustees give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity.

Organisational Structure

Gateway Church Northumberland has up to 12 Charity Trustees who are responsible for ensuring all legal requirements of the charity are met. The strategic and spiritual direction and pastoral oversight of Gateway Church Northumberland are the responsibility of the Church Elders.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the charity will continue on that basis.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the CIO and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the CIO and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Members of the Trustees

Members of the Trustees, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 3. As the CIO's Trustees, we certify that:

- as far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

Our Aims and Objectives

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the CIO's constitution:

- the advancement of the Christian Religion in the United Kingdom and overseas in accordance with the statement of faith produced by the Evangelical Alliance
- to relieve people who are in charitable need because of:
 - sickness or poor health
 - age
 - financial hardship or
 - some other reason by any proper means as the trustees think fit and including (where appropriate but not by way of limitation) the provision of advice, the promotions of good practices to combat such conditions and the provision of resources to alleviate or prevent need.



Ensuring our work delivers our aims

Each year we review our objects and activities to ensure that what we are doing meets the objects of the charity. In reviewing the year, it helps us focus on what we need to do in the coming year in order to further our aims.

The focus of our work

The work of Gateway Church Northumberland is always to "Love God, Love Each Other and Serve the Community." We seek to ensure we achieve these by meeting together to worship God both in a weekly large gathering and during the week in small groups, through meeting up for coffee in friendship groups, holding social events and by helping out members of our community when it is needed, whether they are part of Gateway Community Church or not.

How our activities deliver public benefit

Who used and benefited from Gateway Church Northumberland?

Gateway Church Northumberland gathers people of all ages, from a wide variety of backgrounds and nationalities, from twenty miles in all directions and is open for anyone to come along to any of our meetings, events, and activities. Sunday meetings have regularly been attended by 40+ people. We gather families and singles, people with a wide range of health issues, those in financial need and those who have the ability to help support people in their own community and beyond. People from the church help out at the local charities, work with Gateway into Life, give practical help to their neighbours and raise money for local, national, and international charities.



The last 12 months ~ from the Chair

It seems to me that this has been a year of allowing God to deepen us in the foundations of our faith, with, we trust, individuals growing in their relationship with Him. In all our activities though, our heart is still to see God glorified and His Kingdom increased. Our emphasis continues to be on building relationships rather than putting on meetings. We put on record, year after year, that God continues to remain faithful and continues to bless us. We are so grateful to Him. We believe, God, who has provided our needs thus far, and as always has far exceeded them, will continue to do so in all the areas of the church's work. Our commitment is to prayer, particularly seen in the Wednesday morning prayer meeting, in the meeting together before the Sunday meeting to pray and in the fortnightly prayer meeting in Amble. We believe that God will use us, along with others, as a body of believers to further His purposes in Northumberland and beyond.

Our numbers have remained constant this year, although there have been some comings and goings. However, we must remind ourselves that growth is not measured in terms of numbers.

Sundays continue to be a day when we have been aware of His presence and we again acknowledge the outstanding work put in by Joss and Gill. We must not take this for granted. Gill has ably and sensitively led us in worship, and she has been ably supported by the worship team. We continue to be thankful to those who manage the sound desk and words for the screen and, also those who set up the chairs and tables. Washer uppers and driers have been indispensable in their service.

The arrival of an influx of younger people from the neighbourhood has been a challenge and a blessing. This has, and remains to be, a great opportunity to share and demonstrate the love of Jesus. It has been a learning process for us all, particularly for the elders, and the adjustments to the meeting, in breaking the worship into 2 shorter parts, has been, I believe, of benefit to the whole body. As the family grows, we have to make adjustments, but still ensure that Jesus is central, and that all are cared for.



There are 4 teams that prepare the Sunday lunch, who are ably assisted by others. Wonderful food, great family commitment to us as a church and the meals and fellowship add so much to us in our church family life. We continue to be amazed at how well the cooks cope with numbers,

particularly as there are those who arrive having not signed up for the meal. Our gratefulness for their commitment is often under expressed but we do remain unbelievably thankful for all that they do. The eating together is essential for binding us together as a body of believers.



The preaching continues to be shared out between the elders. Over the last year, at Gateway, we have journeyed our way through 1 John, studied in detail the book of Acts, and are commencing our focus on 'What did Jesus say about '. In addition, we have had our Easter and Christmas emphases, alongside our joint Christmas service with St James'. Our prayer continues to be that we would be doers of the Word, and not hearers only.

The children have continued to benefit considerably from Susan's leadership and dedication over the year, and we just want to thank her for her commitment. Our prayer is that she also may know God's blessing in all that she does along with all those who support the work. There has been a fully committed team of teachers and helpers this year. I am sure that the parents echo my thanks to those who work with the children. One or two have stepped up to support the teachers, but additional teachers would always be welcomed. We continue to have communion every 2 weeks with many being involved in leading us to the Lord's table.

In terms of midweek, the elders continue to meet on Thursdays and have one meeting a month with the wider leadership team to pray for all aspects of the church's work. The elders continue to be supported by Regions Beyond through regular contact with other leaders across the country and world and through our ongoing relationship with Ray Lowe. There is a regional hub for northern church leaders which adds that extra support. Dave is involved with the North East Gospel Partnership, which involves leaders from evangelical churches across our region.

Our Easter Sunday morning service on Alnmouth beach was enjoyed by all, as, undoubtedly, was the cooked breakfast afterwards. Our church weekend was again a highlight of the year, with a real sense of family togetherness and more importantly, a real sense of the presence of God. Ray Lowe's preaching, as ever, was so encouraging as he brought together a conclusion to our study of the book of Acts. We have said it before, but we so much appreciated Joss and Gill's hospitality. It seems that this year, incredibly so, that there was more available over the 2 days, yet still time to relax and enjoy each other's company.

The discipleship groups continue, and these meetings cannot be overemphasised. Good relationships are being maintained and a good grounding in the scriptures has taken place. Prayer continues to be part of the group's life, and we as a church will die if we are not committed to prayer.

Brian's Big Breakfast continues to be highly successful and appreciated by all who attend. It is just so good to meet around the area, blessing local cafes or golf clubs and using the opportunity to invite friends along to the meal as well.

Outside of the regular church activities, there have been other activities. The Badminton group continues with additional members and there has been an increase in activity from the Gateway Bikers.



We continue to have strong links with Freedom Church in Waddington, where Joss and Gill have steady input into the leadership team. Also, the youth had an encouraging time at New Day where they met up with those from Freedom Church. Alongside these, the church had a positive day at Durham, joining with other Regions Beyond churches from the North.

Joss and Gill have continued to develop their close relationship with Letsema and Pete West, a Regions Beyond leader in Lesotho. The personal support of Letsema from many members of the church has been great to see. In addition to Letsema, the church supports financially seven Regions Beyond churches in Lesotho and Free State in South Africa. We trust to hear much more of God's work over there.

There continues to be a tremendous amount of unseen pastoral work done, many lifts offered to those without cars and all this loving service is genuinely appreciated.

Finally, can I thank my fellow trustees for their invaluable work, handling the financial and administrative side of the church and would highlight our need for a fresh input from any others who would like to consider the role of a trustee.

We are one body and we all have our part to play and all of us must continue to have our focus on Jesus and our hearts filled with compassion for those who, as yet, do not know Him.

Contribution of Volunteers

Gateway Church Northumberland is run by volunteers as we have no paid workers. Everything we do is reliant on these volunteers: cooking Sunday lunch, setting out tables and chairs, setting up the PA, playing in the band, washing up, preaching God's word, visiting people, giving lifts to appointments, transporting people to events, gardening for community members, setting up Zoom meetings, delivering food parcels and much more. Everyone can and does do something to help out, whatever their age, ability, or gender.

Carrying out our Plans for the future

As we continue through 2025 and into 2026, we will continue to Love God, Love Each Other and Serve our Communities and Desperately Expecting God to Breakthrough into our lives and into the lives of the people around us. We will continue to learn to be relaxed in God, be reliant on God and be ready for God. We will continue to meet on Sunday afternoons at Shilbottle Community Hall. Through the week we will continue to support each other as part of God's family through the Discipleship Groups, the use of WhatsApp and in person where appropriate. We will continue to support each other practically, where possible, and also reach out into our communities to demonstrate God's love to all. The Big Breakfasts which happen monthly in various locations continue.

As we go on through the next year and beyond, we expect the discipleship groups to continue to grow and that new groups will be formed as we seek to find the best way to organise the groups. We would like to run more ALPHA courses and hope to run a Marriage Course to offer time for couples to strengthen their marriages.

We expect the links between ourselves and Freedom Church in Waddington to continue to strengthen and for us to support the leadership there as they establish their church and the

people that are part of them. We are also continuing to see our relationship with other leaders across the Regions Beyond group of churches deepen and strengthen, receiving and giving support to each other. In particular we will be maintaining and building our relationship with Ray Lowe as an apostolic input into the church. Dave will also continue to develop relationships with leaders from evangelical churches from the North East.

Our support of prison ministry will continue both financially, through Junction42, and with people being involved in a variety of ways, including through voluntary work and those employed by NEPACS. We will continue to support “Gateway into Life” including providing some of the trustees. We will also continue to support Christian work - in particular supporting the Glorious Tabernacle church in Lesotho along with the other Regions Beyond churches in Lesotho and the group of churches we belong to, Regions Beyond – which is part of Newfrontiers.

We also continue aim to use the Gateway Bikers, Gateway Badminton, Gateway Golfers, further church walks and other social events to build relationships with people in our communities.

We continue to aspire to use at least 50% of our income to help others.

Financial review

Overview

We began the financial year (April 1st 2024) with £53840 in the bank and ended the financial year (31st March 2025) with £67249 in the bank, giving us a profit on the year of £12258. This was due to an increase of generous giving over the year, an increase in our Gift Aid income and not reaching our target of giving 50% of donated income away.

Our income from donations from church members has increased on the previous year, more members are continuing to give through the bank. Our Gift Aid payment from HMRC also increased to £8813!!

Our outgoings have also increased slightly over the last year. This is partly due to the increase in living costs. We also had our Church Weekend, our normal outgoings for licences and subscriptions with thirtyone:eight (formally CCPAS), Worship Tools (online song projection facility) and CCLI plus the monthly subscription for the children’s work along with our licences for Zoom and online streaming permissions.

We set out with the intention of trying to give 50% of our donation income away. 50% would have been £23056; we gave away £15967, 34% of our income, which was more than last year. This was to the charities we are committed to giving to and to members of the church in need of support. Donations are made regularly to Regions Beyond Churches, the Bible Network, Gateway into Life, Contagious Charity and Junction42. We have also given donations to the Royal British Legion (wreath for Remembrance Day), members of the church and Letsema Thejane (Church Leader in Lesotho).

The recommendation is that we continue to try to give at least 50% of donated income away, but that we also aim to keep 6 months out goings in reserve ~ i.e. £23500 with the current rate of monthly outgoings (for 2024-25) and the extras we are committed to. In the current financial year, we are expecting income to stay about the same and expenditure to continue to increase due to rising living costs.



Principal Funding Sources

Gateway Church Northumberland's only funding source is the donations of the church members.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds held by the charity should be at least 6 months of the expenditure. Budgeted expenditure for 2025-26 is £53970 and therefore the target is £26985 in the general funds. The reserves are needed to meet the day-to-day expenditure requirements of the charity, and the Trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. At the end of 2024-25, the general funds had £67249 easily giving us our 6-month buffer going forward. The strategy is to continue to maintain a 6-month buffer whilst aiming to give away at least 50% of our donated income, which includes the Gift Aid claim from HMRC.

Auditors

Lucid Accounting Ltd have been appointed as the charitable company's auditors during the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Trustees on November 26th 2025 and signed on its behalf by

Dave Harbertson

Mr David Harbertson
(Chair)





Gateway Church Northumberland			Charity No (if any)	1164586	CC17a
Annual accounts for the period					
Period start date	01-Apr-24	To	Period end date	31-Mar-25	

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Details of own analysis	Note	Restricted			Total this year	Total last year
			Unrestricted funds	income funds	Endowment funds		
			£	£	£	£	£
			F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)							
Incoming resources from generated funds			46,678			46,678	45,519
Voluntary income		S01				-	
Activities for generating funds		S02				-	
Investment income	Bank interest	S03	651			651	499
Incoming resources from charitable activities		S04				-	
Other incoming resources		S05				-	
Total incoming resources		S06	47,329	-	-	47,329	46,018
Resources expended (Notes 4-8)							
Costs of Generating Funds			-	-	-	-	
Costs of generating voluntary income		S07	9,623	-	-	9,623	8,239
Fundraising trading costs		S08	1,122		-	1,122	1,929
Investment management costs		S09	591	-	-	591	542
Charitable activities		S10	22,107	-	-	22,107	19,645
Governance costs		S11	978	-	-	978	3,523
Other resources expended		S12		-	-	-	-
Total resources expended		S13	34,421	-	-	34,421	33,878
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		S14	12,908	0	0	12,908	12,140
Gross transfers between funds		S15	0	0	0	0	0
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)		S16	12,908	0	0	12,908	12,140
Other recognised gains/(losses)							
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		S17	0	0	0	0	0
Gains and losses on investment assets		S18	0	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		S19	12,908	0	0	12,908	12,140
Total funds brought forward		S20	54,340	0	0	54,340	42,200
Total funds carried forward		S21	67,248	0	0	67,248	54,340

Section B Balance sheet

		Note	Restricted			Total this year £	Total last year £
			Unrestricted funds £	income funds £	Endowment funds £		
			F01	F02	F03		
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets	(Note 9)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
		B02	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	(Note 10)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets		B04	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets							
Stock and work in progress		B05	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors	(Note 11)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
(Short term) investments		B07	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		B08	67,248	-	-	67,248	54,340
Total current assets		B09	67,248	-	-	67,248	54,340
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year							
	(Note 12)	B10	-	-	-	-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)		B11	67,248	-	-	67,248	54,340
Total assets less current liabilities		B12	67,248	-	-	67,248	54,340
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year							
	(Note 12)	B13	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges		B14	-	-	-	-	-
Net assets		B15	67,248	-	-	67,248	-
Funds of the Charity							
Unrestricted funds		B16	67,248			67,248	54,340
		B17	-			-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 13)		B18		-		-	-
Endowment funds (Note 13)		B19			-	-	-
Total funds		B20	67,248	-	-	67,248	54,340
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees			Signature		Print Name		Date of approval
			EnBray		Mrs G Bray		26-Nov-25
			D Harbertson		Mr D Harbertson		26-Nov-25

Section C**Notes to the accounts****Note 1 Basis of preparation**

This section should be completed by all charities .

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost (except that investments are shown at market value) in accordance with:

- Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005);
- and with* ☐ Accounting Standards;
- or ☒ Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE);
- and with the Charities Act.

[** except for the following].

Give details in this box if a different standard has been followed.

* -Tick as appropriate:

- if all relevant disclosures shown in the pack have been given then please tick "Accounting Standards";
- if disclosures completed in these accounts have been restricted to those required by the FRSSE, then please tick "Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE)".

** - If no departures from the chosen standards have been made then delete these words; otherwise give details of any changes in the boxes.

1.2 Change in basis of accounting

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made.

1.3 Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made.

Note 2**Accounting policies**

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those deleted. Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Recognition of incoming resources	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: - the charity becomes entitled to the resources; - the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and - the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Incoming resources with related expenditure	Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.
Gifts in kind	Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Investment gains and losses	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.
Governance costs	Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.
Grants with performance conditions	Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.
Grants payable without performance conditions	These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.
Support Costs	Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.
Investments	Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.
Stocks and work in progress	These are valued at the lower of cost or market value.

**POLICIES ADOPTED
ADDITIONAL TO OR
DIFFERENT FROM THOSE
ABOVE**

Note 3

Analysis of incoming resources - UN-RESTRICTED

Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income	Donations	37,298	37,517
	Gift Aid	8,813	6,535
	Devoted	-	-
	Total	46,111	44,052
Activities for generating funds			
	Badminton	565	1,015
	Other	2	452
	Total	567	1,467
Investment income			
	Bank interest	651	499
	Total	651	499
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		47,329	46,018

Note 3 Analysis of incoming resources - RESTRICTED

Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income		-	
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Activities for generating funds		-	
		-	
	Total	-	-
Investment income		-	
	Total	-	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		-	-

Section C**Notes to the accounts****(cont)****Note 4****Analysis of resources expended - UN-RESTRICTED**

Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Costs of generating voluntary income	Hall Hire	4,281	4,425
	Drop In	-	-
	Speaker	-	-
	Events	284	-
	Cornerstone Church	-	31
	Newday	133	600
	Travel expenses	122	-
	Church weekend	4,310	2,171
	Other	493	1,012
	Total	9,623	8,239
Fundraising trading costs	Licences & Subscriptions	906	552
	DBS Checks	176	220
	Equipment	40	535
	Tshirts	-	622
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
	Total	1,122	1,929
Investment management costs	Bank Charges	-	-
	Audit Fee	-	-
	Insurance	591	542
Charitable activities	Total	591	542
Governance costs	Childrens Youth Work	260	272
	Gifts	3,500	5,471
	Gateway Into Life	2034	187
	Charity Giving	10,300	7,500
	Church Meals	6,013	6,215
	Total	22,107	19,645
	Staff Training, Welfare	880	3,361
	Office costs, Website, sundry	98	162
			-
	Total	978	3,523
Grand Totals		34,421	33,878

Note 4 Analysis of resources expended - RESTRICTED

Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Costs of generating voluntary income		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Fundraising trading costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Investment management costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Charitable activities		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Governance costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		-	-

Note 5 Support Costs

Please complete this note if the charity has analysed its expenses using activity categories and has support costs.

Support cost type	Fundraising activity £	Charitable Activity £	Governance Activity £	Total Cost £
Badminton	984	-	-	984
Staff Training & Welfare	853			853
Course Materials		-	-	-
Equipment, Event hire	109	-	-	109
Stationery & Sundry		-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	370	370
Licences and Subscriptions	-	-	943	943
Website				-
Alpha				-
Gateway Into Life	-			-
DBS Checks	182			182
Social Events	8			8
Travel Expenses			272	272
Conferences/training, Speakers	300	-	-	300
Total	2,436	-	1,585	4,021

Note 6 Details of certain items of expenditure

6.1 Trustee expenses

Please provide details of the amount of any payment or reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses made to trustees or to third parties for expenses incurred by trustees. If no expenses were paid, please enter 'None' in the appropriate box(es).

Number of trustees who were paid expenses

Nature of the expenses

Total amount paid

This year	Last year
£	£

6.2 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner or auditor. If nothing was paid please enter NONE in the

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the
Other fees (for example: advice, consultancy, accountancy)

This year £	Last year £
30	30

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Note 7 **Paid employees**
Please complete this note if the charity has any employees.

7.1 Staff Costs

	This year £	Last year £
Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	-	-
Employer's National Insurance costs	-	-
Pension costs	-	-
Total staff costs	-	-

7.2 Average number of full-time equivalent employees in the year

	This year Number	Last year Number
The parts of the charity in which the employees work		
Fundraising	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-
Governance	-	-
Other	-	-
Total	-	-

7.3 Defined contribution pension scheme

Please complete if a defined contribution pension scheme is operated.

Brief details of the scheme

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	This year £	Last year £
The costs of the scheme to the charity for the year		
The amount of any contributions outstanding at the year end		
The amount of any contributions prepaid at the year end		

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Note 8 Grantmaking

Please complete this note if the charity made any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

8.1 Total value of grants

Purpose for which grants made	Grants to institutions Total amount £	Grants to individuals Total amount £
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

8.1 Grantmaking costs

If the charity's accounts are prepared on the "activity basis" please give details of any support cost associated with grantmaking. Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

Support costs of grantmaking

£

8.3 Grants made to institutions

If the charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking please give details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution listed. Sufficient information should be given to provide a reasonable understanding of the range of institutions supported.

Names of institutions	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions		-

Note 9 Tangible fixed assets*Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets***9.1 Cost or valuation**

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Payments on account and assets under construction	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.2 Accumulated depreciation and impairment provisions

**Basis	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB
** Rate					

Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation charge for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment provisions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.3 Net book value

Brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.4 Revaluation*If any fixed assets have been revalued please give details of the valuer and method of valuation*

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* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Please indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also please indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, what is the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, what is the percentage annual deduction.

Note 10 Investment assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any investment assets.

10.1 Fixed assets investments

	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	-
Add: additions to investments at cost	-
Less: disposals at carrying value	-
Add/(deduct): net gain/(loss) on revaluation	-
Carrying (market) value at end of year	-

Please provide below:

10.2 A breakdown of the market values of investments shown above agreeing with the balance sheet row B03.

10.3 A breakdown of the income from investments agreeing with SOFA row S03.

Analysis of investments

	10.2 Market value at year end £	10.3 Income from investments for the year £
Investment properties	-	-
Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange or held in common investment funds, open ended investment companies, unit trusts or other collective investment schemes	-	-
Investments in subsidiary or connected undertakings and companies	-	-
Securities not listed on a recognised Stock Exchange	-	-
Cash held as part of the investment portfolio	-	-
Other investments	-	-
Total	-	-

10.4 Material investment holdings

If any single investment is material in terms of its value (for example represents more than 5 per cent of the value of the charity's total investments) please provide details.

Investment held	
Market Value	

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Note 11 Debtors and prepayments

Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.

Analysis of debtors

Trade debtors

Amounts due from subsidiary and associated undertakings

Other debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Total

Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

Note 12 Creditors and accruals

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

12.1 Analysis of creditors

Loans and overdrafts

Trade creditors

Amounts due to subsidiary and associated undertakings

Other creditors

Accruals and deferred income

Total

Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

12.2 Security over assets

If any loan, overdraft or other creditor holds a charge or other security over any assets of the charity please provide details.

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Note 13 **Endowment and restricted income funds**

Please complete this section if the charity has any endowment or restricted income funds.

13.1 Funds held

Please give a brief description of any of the following type of funds held by the charity:

- permanent endowment funds (PE);
- expendable endowment funds (EE); and
- restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity (R).

Fund Name	Type PE, EE or R	Purpose and Restrictions

13.2 Movements of major funds

Please give details of the movements of the major funds summarised in the restricted and endowment columns of the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-

13.3 Transfers between funds

Please give details of any transfers between funds.

From Fund (Name)	To Fund (Name)	Reason	Amount

Note 14 Transactions with related parties

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in note 6) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "None" in the relevant boxes.

14.1 Remuneration and benefits

Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee or other related parties by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value	
		This year £	Last year £

14.2 Loans

Please give details of and amounts owing to or from the charity's trustees or other related parties by the charity at the year end.

	Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority	Amount owing	
			This year £	Last year £
Due to trustees and related parties				
Due from trustees and related parties				

14.3 Other transaction(s) with trustees or related parties

Please give details of any transaction undertaken by (or on behalf of) the charity in which a trustee or related party has a material interest.

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	This year £	Last year £

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Note 15	Additional Disclosures
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The following are significant matters which are not covered in other notes and need to be included to provide a proper understanding of the accounts. If there is insufficient room here, please add a separate sheet.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Gateway Church Northumberland

On accounts for the year
ended

March 31st 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1164586

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 **31/03/2025**.

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

I have completed my examination.

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

Signed:

GEMMA

Date:

7/1/2026

Name:

GEMMA ALEXANDER MIAB

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

INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTANTS &
BOOKKEEPERS (IAB)

Address:

10 LYNDAL

CRAMINGTON

NE23 3X4

Accounts



**Gateway Church
Northumberland**

Gateway Church Northumberland
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Annual Report
Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Charity number 1164586

Gateway Church Northumberland
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Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Gateway Church Northumberland

Charity registration number: *1164586*

Registered Office and operational address:

Dene House
Shilbottle
Alnwick
Northumberland
NE66 2HS

Church Eldership

Joss Bray
Dave Harbertson
Ray Middleton

Trustees

Mr D Harbertson	Chair
Mrs J Verity	Minutes Secretary
Mrs G Bray	Treasurer
Dr J Bray	
Mr W Ritchie	

Auditors -

Lucid Accountants and Business Advisors Ltd
Lee Moor Business Park
Alnwick

Bankers - Lloyds Bank, Bondgate Within, Alnwick



Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered as a charity on 1st December 2014. The charity was established with a constitution who's only voting members are its charity trustees. In the event of the charity being wound up the trustees have no liability to settle its debts and liabilities.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Constitution, except for the initial Trustees, every Trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees.

There shall be a minimum of three and a maximum of twelve Trustees.

Any person retiring as a Trustee is eligible for reappointment.

All members of the Trustees give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity.

Organisational Structure

Gateway Church Northumberland has up to 12 Charity Trustees who are responsible for ensuring all legal requirements of the charity are met. The strategic and spiritual direction and pastoral oversight of Gateway Church Northumberland are the responsibility of the Church Elders.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the charity will continue on that basis.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the CIO and to enable them



to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the CIO and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Members of the Trustees

Members of the Trustees, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 3. As the CIO's Trustees, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

Our Aims and Objectives

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the CIO's constitution:

- the advancement of the Christian Religion in the United Kingdom and overseas in accordance with the statement of faith produced by the Evangelical Alliance
- to relieve people who are in charitable need because of:
 - sickness or poor health
 - age
 - financial hardship or
 - some other reason by any proper means as the trustees think fit and including (where appropriate but not by way of limitation) the provision of advice, the promotions of good practices to combat such conditions and the provision of resources to alleviate or prevent need.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

Each year we review our objects and activities to ensure that what we are doing meets the objects of the charity. In reviewing the year, it helps us focus on what we need to do in the coming year in order to further our aims.

The focus of our work

The work of Gateway Church Northumberland is always to "Love God, Love Each Other and Serve the Community." We seek to ensure we achieve these by meeting together to worship God both in a weekly large gathering and during the week in small groups, through meeting up for coffee in friendship groups, holding social events and by helping out members of our community when it is needed, whether they are part of Gateway Community Church or not.





How our activities deliver public benefit

Who used and benefited from Gateway Church Northumberland?

Gateway Church Northumberland gathers people of all ages, from a wide variety of backgrounds and nationalities, from twenty miles in all directions and is open for anyone to come along to any of our meetings, events, and activities. Sunday meetings have regularly been attended by 40+ people. We gather families and singles, people with a wide range of health issues, those in financial need and those who have the ability to help support people in their own community and beyond. People from the church help out at the local food banks, work with Gateway into Life, give practical help to their neighbours and raise money for local, national, and international charities.



The last 12 months ~ from the Chair

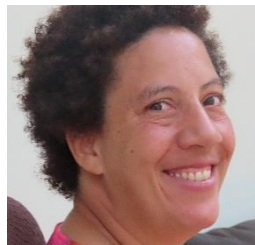
It seems to me that this has been a year of mixed blessings, with the excitement of seeing Callum and Grace baptised, to the sad passing of Seana but the guarantee that for her, a place in Heaven, and the closing of the Seahouses Sunday Meeting for the moment and the imminent closing of the church's involvement with the Gateway into Life house. In all of our activities though, our heart is still to see God glorified and His Kingdom increased. We put on record, year after year, that God continues to remain faithful and continues to bless us. We are so grateful to Him. God, who has provided our needs thus far, will continue to do so in all the areas of the church's work. Our commitment is to prayer, particularly seen in the new Wednesday morning prayer group, and we believe that God will use us as a body of believers to further His purposes in Northumberland and beyond.



Our numbers have remained constant this year, although Callum and Leah have moved to pastures new. We wish them God's blessing. However, we must remind ourselves that growth is not measured in terms of numbers.



Sundays continue to be a day when we have been aware of His presence, and we again acknowledge the outstanding work put in by Joss and Gill. Gill has ably and sensitively led us in worship, and she has been ably supported by the worship team. We continue to be thankful to those who manage the sound desk and words for the screen and also those who set up the chairs and tables. Washer uppers and driers have been indispensable in their service. We are also thankful for the commitment that Julian and Gill showed us in the use of their home.



There are now five teams that prepare the Sunday lunch, who are ably assisted by others. Wonderful food, great family commitment to us as a church and the meals and fellowship add so much to us in our church family life.



The preaching continues to be shared out between the elders. Over the last year, at Gateway, we have journeyed our way through excerpts from the Psalms, the armour of God, the promises of God, and we are continuing our study of 1 John. At Cornerstone, we examined the main characters from Judges and started on the life of Elisha. In addition, we have had our Easter and Christmas emphases, alongside our joint Christmas service with St James.' Our prayer continues to be that we would be doers of the Word, and not hearers only.

The children have continued to benefit considerably from Susan's leadership and dedication over the year and we just want to thank her for her commitment. Our prayer is that she also may know God's blessing in all that she does along with all those who support the work. There has been a fully committed team of teachers and helpers this year. I'm sure the parents echo my thanks to those who work with the children. We continue to have communion every 2 weeks with many being involved in leading us to the Lord's table.

In terms of midweek, the elders continue to meet on Thursdays and have one meeting a month with the wider leadership team to pray for all aspects of the church's work. The elders continue to be supported by Regions Beyond through regular contact with other leaders across the country and world and through our ongoing relationship with Ray Lowe. There is a regional hub for northern church leaders which adds that extra support. Dave is now involved with the Northeast Gospel Partnership, which involves leaders from evangelical churches across our region.

Our Easter Sunday morning service on Alnmouth beach was again a great occasion. Our church weekend was wonderful, with a real sense of family togetherness and more importantly, a real sense of the presence of God. Ray Lowe's preaching was so encouraging with the real challenge to allow the Holy Spirit to have greater sway in our lives. We have said it before, but we so much appreciated Joss and Gill's hospitality. It seems that this year, even more was available, even table tennis.

The discipleship groups continue, and these meetings cannot be overemphasised. Good relationships are being maintained and a good grounding in the scriptures has taken place. Prayer continues to be part of the groups' life, and we as a church will die if we are not committed to prayer. Sadly, with the departure of Graham B from the church, the men's group at his house no longer functions as part of the church. The Monday Alpha group has now successfully become a discipleship group led by Graham and Susan.

Brian's Big Breakfast continues to be highly successful and damaging to many waistlines! It is just so good to meet around the area, blessing local cafes or golf clubs and using the opportunity to invite friends along to the meal as well.

Outside of the regular church activities, there have been other activities. We have had a fascinating and inspiring visit from Geoff and Sue Smith from Australia. The Badminton group continues with additional members and the Gateway Bikers have occasional get togethers. We continue to have strong links with Freedom Church in Waddington, where Joss and Gill have steady input into the leadership team. Also, the youth had an encouraging time at New Day where they met up with those from Freedom Church.





The work with G2L has been challenging. We had a second tenant again in the house who struggled to adjust to life in the house. There has been weekly support for the tenants, and we continue to believe that God has great purposes there, although not necessarily with our involvement. Sarah continues as the paid empowerment worker, and we are sure that God will bless her in her endeavours. Heather has led the friendship and support group with passion and commitment and Steve has become a trustee of the charity.

Joss and Gill have continued to develop their close relationship with Letsema in Lesotho, going across there to celebrate his wedding. The personal support of Letsema from many members of the church has been great to see. We trust to hear much more of God's work over there in Lesotho.

There continues to be a tremendous amount of unseen pastoral work done, many lifts offered to those without cars and all of this loving service is genuinely appreciated.

Finally, can I thank my fellow trustees for their invaluable work, handling the financial and administrative side of the church. The addition of Susan and Sarah to the Trustees can only strengthen the team.

We are one body, and we all have our part to play and all of us must continue to have our focus on Jesus and our hearts filled with compassion for those who as yet do not know Him.

Contribution of Volunteers

Gateway Church Northumberland is run by volunteers as we have no paid workers. Everything we do is reliant on these volunteers: cooking Sunday lunch, setting out tables and chairs, setting up the PA, playing in the band, washing up, preaching God's word, visiting people, giving lifts to appointments, transporting people to events, gardening for community members, setting up Zoom meetings, delivering food parcels and much more. Everyone can and does do something to help out, whatever their age, ability, or gender.

Carrying out our Plans for the future

As we continue through 2024 and into 2025, we will continue to Love God, Love Each Other and Serve our Communities and Desperately Expecting God to Breakthrough into our lives and into the lives of the people around us. We will continue to learn to be relaxed in God, be reliant on God and be ready for God. We will continue to meet on Sunday afternoons at Shilbottle Community Hall. Through the week we will continue to support each other as part of God's family through the Discipleship Groups, the use of WhatsApp and in person where appropriate. We will continue to support each other practically, where possible, and also reach out into our communities to demonstrate God's love to all. The Big Breakfasts which happen monthly in various locations continue.

As we go on through the next year and beyond, we expect the discipleship groups to continue to grow and that new groups will be formed as we seek to find the best way to





organise the groups. We would like to run more ALPHA courses and hope to run a Marriage Course to offer time for couples to strengthen their marriages.

We expect the links between ourselves and Freedom Church in Waddington to continue to strengthen and for us to support the leadership there as they establish their church and the people that are part of them. We are also continuing to see our relationship with other leaders across the Regions

Beyond group of churches deepen and strengthen, receiving and giving support to each other. In particular we will be maintaining and building our relationship with Ray Lowe as an apostolic input into the church. Dave will also continue to develop relationships with leaders from evangelical churches from the North East.

Our support of prison ministry will continue both financially, through Junction42, and with people being involved in a variety of ways, including through voluntary work and those employed by NEPACS. We will continue to support “Gateway into Life” including providing some of the trustees. We will also continue to support Christian work - in particular supporting the Glorious Tabernacle church in Lesotho and the group of churches we belong to, Regions Beyond – which is part of Newfrontiers.

We also continue aim to use the Gateway Bikers, Gateway Badminton, Gateway Golfers, further church walks and other social events to build relationships with people in our communities.

We continue to aspire to use at least 50% of our income to help others.

Financial review

Overview

We began the financial year (April 1st 2023) with £42200 in the bank and ended the financial year (31st March 2023) with £53840 in the bank, giving us a profit on the year of £11640. This was due to an increase of generous giving over the year, an increase in our Gift Aid income and not reaching our target of giving 50% of donated income away.

Our income from donations from church members has increased on the previous year, more members are continuing to give through the bank. Our Gift Aid payment from HMRC also increased to £6535!!

Our outgoings have also increased over the last year. This is partly due to the increase in living costs. We also had our Church Weekend, our normal outgoings for licences and subscriptions with thirtyone:eight (formally CCPAS), Worship Extreme (online song projection facility) and CCLI plus the monthly subscription for the children’s work along with our licences for Zoom and online streaming permissions.

We set out with the intention of trying to give 50% of our donation income away. 50% would have been £22025; we gave away £13758, 30% of our income. This was to the charities we are committed to giving to and to members of the church in need of support. Donations are made regularly to Regions Beyond Churches, the Bible Network, Gateway into Life and Junction42. We have also given donations to the Royal British Legion (wreath for Remembrance Day), members of the church, Letsema Thejane (Church Leader in



Lesotho), a school in Nigeria we have contact with and people struggling in our communities.

The recommendation is that we continue to try to give at least 50% of donated income away, but that we also aim to keep 6 months out goings in reserve ~ i.e. £22060 with the current rate of monthly outgoings (for 2024-25) and the extras we are committed to. In the current financial year, we are expecting both income and expenditure to continue to increase due to rising living costs and new people joining the church. We also support the work of Cornerstone Church as it reaches out and becomes established in the north of the county.

Principal Funding Sources

Gateway Church Northumberland's only funding source is the donations of the church members.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds held by the charity should be at least 6 months of the expenditure. Budgeted expenditure for 2024-25 is £44120 and therefore the target is £22060 in the general funds. The reserves are needed to meet the day-to-day expenditure requirements of the charity, and the Trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. At the end of 2023-24, the general funds had £53840 easily giving us our 6-month buffer going forward. The strategy is to continue to maintain a 6-month buffer whilst aiming to give away at least 50% of our donated income, which includes the Gift Aid claim from HMRC.

Auditors

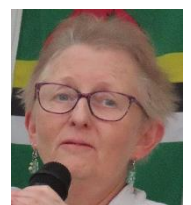
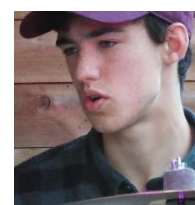
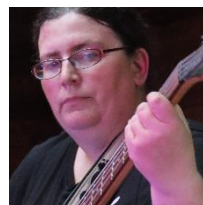
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Approved by the Trustees on November 15th 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Dave Harbertson

Mr David Harbertson
(Chair)



Section B Balance sheet

	Note	Restricted			Total this year £	Total last year £
		Unrestricted funds	income funds	Endowment funds		
		£ F01	£ F02	£ F03		
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets (Note 9)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
	B02	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 10)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	B04	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets						
Stock and work in progress	B05	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 11)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
(Short term) investments	B07	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	B08	54,340	-	-	54,340	42,200
Total current assets	B09	54,340	-	-	54,340	42,200
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 12)	B10	-	-	-	-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)	B11	54,340	-	-	54,340	42,200
Total assets less current liabilities	B12	54,340	-	-	54,340	42,200
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year (Note 12)	B13	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges	B14	-	-	-	-	-
Net assets	B15	54,340	-	-	54,340	-
Funds of the Charity						
Unrestricted funds	B16	54,340			54,340	42,200
	B17	-			-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 13)	B18		-		-	-
Endowment funds (Note 13)	B19			-	-	-
Total funds	B20	54,340	-	-	54,340	42,200
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature		Print Name	Date of approval	
				Mrs G Bray	15-Nov-24	
				Mr D Harbertson	15-Nov-24	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Gateway Church Northumberland

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1164586

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 / 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
- 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:

RJ Bambling

Date:

9 January 2025

Name:

Russell James Bambling

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

Chartered Management Accountant (ACMA)

Address:

Lucid Accountants & Business Advisors Ltd,

One Trinity Green, Eldon Street, South Shields, Tyne & Wear

NE33 1SA

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.

Accounts



Gateway Church Northumberland
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Annual Report
Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Charity number 1164586

Gateway Church Northumberland
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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Gateway Church Northumberland

Charity registration number: *1164586*

Registered Office and operational address:

Dene House
Shilbottle
Alnwick
Northumberland
NE66 2HS

Church Eldership

Joss Bray
Dave Harbertson
Ray Middleton

Trustees

Mr D Harbertson	Chair
Mrs J Verity	Minutes Secretary
Mrs G Bray	Treasurer
Dr J Bray	
Mr W Ritchie	

Auditors -

Lucid Accountants and Business Advisors Ltd
Lee Moor Business Park
Alnwick

Bankers - Lloyds Bank, Bondgate Within, Alnwick

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered as a charity on 1st December 2014. The charity was established with a constitution who's only voting members are its charity trustees. In the event of the charity being wound up the trustees have no liability to settle its debts and liabilities.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Constitution, except for the initial Trustees, every Trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees.

There shall be a minimum of three and a maximum of twelve Trustees.

Any person retiring as a Trustee is eligible for reappointment.

All member of the Trustees give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity.

Organisational Structure

Gateway Church Northumberland has up to 12 Charity Trustees who are responsible for ensuring all legal requirements of the charity are met. The strategic and spiritual direction and pastoral oversight of Gateway Church Northumberland are the responsibility of the Church Elders.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the charity will continue on that basis.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the CIO and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the CIO and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Members of the Trustees

Members of the Trustees, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 3. As the CIO's Trustees, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.



Our Aims and Objectives

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the CIO's constitution:

- the advancement of the Christian Religion in the United Kingdom and overseas in accordance with the statement of faith produced by the Evangelical Alliance
- to relieve people who are in charitable need because of:
 - sickness or poor health
 - age
 - financial hardship or
 - some other reason by any proper means as the trustees think fit and including (where appropriate but not by way of limitation) the provision of advice, the promotions of good practices to combat such conditions and the provision of resources to alleviate or prevent need.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

Each year we review our objects and activities to ensure that what we are doing meets the objects of the charity. In reviewing the year, it helps us focus on what we need to do in the coming year in order to further our aims.

The focus of our work

The work of Gateway Church Northumberland is always to “Love God, Love Each Other and Serve the Community”. We seek to ensure we achieve these by meeting together to worship God both in a weekly large gathering and during the week in a small groups, through meeting up for coffee in friendship groups, holding social events and by helping out members of our community when it is needed, whether they are part of Gateway Community Church or not.

How our activities deliver public benefit

Who used and benefited from Gateway Church Northumberland?

Gateway Church Northumberland gathers people of all ages, from a wide variety of backgrounds and nationalities, from 20 miles in all directions and is open for anyone to come along to any of our meetings, events, and activities. Sunday meetings have regularly been attended by 40+ people. We gather families and singles, people with a wide range of health issues, those in financial need and those who have the ability to help support people in their own community and beyond. People from the church help out at the local food banks, work with Gateway into Life, give practical help to their neighbours and raise money for local, national, and international charities.



The last 12 months ~ from the Chair

It seems to me that year on year, more has happened in the church, and more is happening. In all of our activities, our heart is to see God glorified and His Kingdom increased. We put on record, year after year, that God continues to remain faithful and continues to bless us. We are so grateful to Him. We will, as His family, continue to trust Him for all that is ahead for us. He who has provided our needs thus far, will continue to do so. Our commitment is to prayer that God will use us as a body of believers to further His purposes in Northumberland and beyond.



Our numbers have slightly grown this year and we are certainly feeding more people on Sundays! However, we must remind ourselves that growth is not measured in terms of numbers.



Sundays continue to be a day when we have been aware of His presence, whether in Shilbottle or Seahouses, and we again acknowledge the outstanding work put in by Joss and Gill. We would not be where we are today without their example of dedication and service. Gill has ably and sensitively led us in worship as has Megan at Seahouses, and an increasing number have ably supported the worship team. We continue to be thankful to those who manage the sound desk and words for the screen and also those who set up the chairs and tables. Wash er uppers and driers have been indispensable in their service. Alongside all of these, a special thank you to Julian and Gill who open their home for us at Seahouses every Sunday.



There are now 5 teams that prepare the Sunday lunch, who are ably assisted by others. Wonderful food, great family commitment to us as a church and the meals and fellowship add so much to us in our church family life.



The preaching continues to be shared out between the elders. Over the last year, at Gateway, we have journeyed our way through the life of Jesus in studying Mark's Gospel and have looked at the life of Ruth and the early life of David. At Cornerstone, we have examined the 7 churches in the book of Revelation, studied Psalm 23 and Haggai and are working our way through the early chapters of Romans. In addition, we have had our Easter and Christmas emphases, alongside our joint Christmas service with St James'. Our prayer continues to be that we would be doers of the Word, and not hearers only.



The children have benefitted considerably from Gail's leadership over the year, and we just want to thank her for her commitment and dedication. Susan has now taken over the leading of the work and our prayer is that she also may know God's blessing in all that she does. There has been a fully committed team of teachers and helpers this year and it is good to see that that number is increasing. I'm sure the parents echo my thanks to those who work with the children. We continue to have communion every 2 weeks with many being involved in leading us to the Lord's table.

In terms of midweek, the elders continue to meet on Thursdays and have one meeting a month with the wider leadership team to pray for all aspects of the church's work. The elders continue to be supported by Regions Beyond through regular contact with other leaders across the country and world and through our ongoing relationship with Ray Lowe. There is a regional hub for northern church leaders which adds that extra support.



Our Easter Sunday morning service on Alnmouth beach was again a great occasion, particularly seeing Philippa baptised during the morning time together. Our church weekend was wonderful, with a real sense of family togetherness and more importantly, a real sense of the presence of God. How exciting it was to see Nicholas and Gordon being baptised and Ray Lowe's preaching was so encouraging. We have said it before, but we so much appreciated Joss and Gill's hospitality.

The discipleship groups continue, and these meetings cannot be overemphasised. Good relationships are being maintained and a good grounding in the scriptures has taken place. Prayer continues to be part of the group's life, and we as a church will die if we are not committed to prayer. Alongside the discipleship groups, Graham runs the men's fellowship group on Thursday mornings.

Brian's Big Breakfast continues to be highly successful and damaging to many waistlines! It is just so good to meet around the area, blessing local cafes or golf clubs and using the opportunity to invite friends along to the meal as well. Cornerstone Church continues to have their monthly breakfast in Belford, to add weight to the work of the church.

Outside of the regular church activities, there have been other activities. Val has started Gateway Creatives with their successful first meeting together. We have had visits from Geoff and Sue Smith from Australia, Peter and Kay Goodchild from Emmanuel Press and lately from Dave and Rosie Fellingham. The Badminton group continues with additional members and the Gateway Bikers and Gateway Golfers have occasional get togethers.

We continue to have strong links with Freedom Church in Waddington, where Joss and Gill have steady input into the leadership team. Also, the youth had an encouraging time at NewDay where they met up with those from Freedom Church.

The work with Gateway into Life has been encouraging yet challenging. We are soon to have a second tenant again in the house, one of them having departed. There has been weekly support for the tenants, and we continue to believe that God has great purposes there. Ray has been outstanding in his leadership of the management team. Sarah has taken over as the paid empowerment worker and we are sure that God will bless her in her endeavours. Heather has taken over the leadership of the friendship and support group and Steve has become a trustee of the G2L charity. In all of this, God is our support and we will see fruits of this work in His time. We continue to have a yearly gift day in support of G2L.

Joss and Gill went to South Africa at the invite of Regions Beyond leadership team and the repercussions of their time there continue to this day. Because of this, we had the arrival of Letsema from Lesotho for a month, and the list is extensive of those who sought to welcome him and make him part of the church family. We believe that this relationship with Letsema and his church will continue to blossom. The outstanding giving in the church has allowed us to support so many, such as the school in Nigeria, so please, let's continue to give sacrificially.



Before I finish, I must include our excitement and joy in seeing the joining together of Ken and Victoria in marriage, What a great day !

There continues to be a tremendous amount of unseen pastoral work done, many lifts offered to those without cars and all of this loving service is genuinely appreciated.

Finally can I thank my fellow trustees for their invaluable work, handling the financial and administrative side of the church.



We are one body and we all have our part to play and all of us must continue to have our focus on Jesus and our hearts filled with compassion for those who as yet do not know Him.

Contribution of Volunteers

Gateway Church Northumberland is run by volunteers as we have no paid workers. Everything we do is reliant on these volunteers: cooking Sunday lunch, setting out tables and chairs, setting up the PA, playing in the band, washing up, preaching God's word, visiting people, giving lifts to appointments, transporting people to events, gardening for community members, setting up Zoom meetings, delivering food parcels and much more. Everyone can and does do something to help out, whatever their age, ability, or gender.

Carrying out our Plans for the future

As we continue through 2023 and into 2024, we will continue to Love God, Love Each Other and Serve our Communities and Desperately Expecting God to Breakthrough into our lives and into the lives of the people around us. We will continue to learn to be relaxed in God, be reliant on God and be ready for God. We will continue to meet on Sunday afternoons at Shilbottle Community Hall and to support Cornerstone Church Northumberland on Sunday mornings in Seahouses. Through the week we will continue to support each other as part of God's family through the Discipleship Groups, the use of WhatsApp and in person where appropriate. We will continue to support each other practically, where possible, and also reach out into our communities to demonstrate God's love to all. There is now an ongoing Men's Fellowship group that meets weekly as well as the usual Big Breakfasts which happen monthly in various locations. We are hoping the newly formed Gateway Creatives group will flourish and enrich our worship in new ways.



As we go on through the next year and beyond, we expect the discipleship groups to continue to grow and that new groups will be formed as we seek to find the best way to organise the groups. We would like to run an ALPHA courses and hope to run a Marriage Course to offer time for couples to strengthen their marriages.

We expect the links between ourselves and Freedom Church in Waddington to continue to strengthen and for us to support the leadership there as they establish their church and the people that are part of them. We are also continuing to see our relationship with other leaders across the Regions Beyond group of churches deepen and strengthen, receiving and giving support to each other. In particular we will be maintaining and building our relationship with Ray Lowe as an apostolic input into the church.

Our support of prison ministry will continue both financially and with people being involved in a variety of ways. We will continue to support “Gateway into Life” including providing some of the trustees, being part of the Management Team and to form the Friendship and Support Group for their first house. We will also continue to support Christian work - in particular supporting the Glorious Tabernacle church in Lesotho and the group of churches we belong to, Regions Beyond – which is part of Newfrontiers.



We also continue aim to use the Gateway Bikers, Gateway Badminton, Gateway Golfers, further church walks and other social events to build relationships with people in our communities.

We continue to aspire to use at least 50% of our income to help others.

Financial review

Overview

We began the financial year (April 1st 2022) with £34158 in the bank and ended the financial year (31st March 2023) with £42200 in the bank, giving us a profit on the year of £8042. This was due to an increase of generous giving over the year.

Our income from donations from church members has increased on the previous year, more members are continuing to give through the bank. We also had income from the Gift Aid payment from HMRC of £4357!

Our outgoings have also increased over the last year. This is partly due to the increase in living costs. We also had our Church Weekend, our normal outgoings for licences and subscriptions with thirtyone:eight (formally CCPAS), Worship Extreme (online song projection facility) and CCLI plus the monthly subscription for the children’s work along with our licences for Zoom and online streaming permissions.

We set out with the intention of trying to give 50% of our donation income away. 50% would have been £15763; we gave away £10196, 31% of our income. This was to the charities we are committed to giving to and to members of the church in need of support. Donations are made regularly to Regions Beyond Churches, the Bible Network, Emmanuel Press and Junction42. We have also given donations to the Royal British Legion (wreath for Remembrance Day), members of the church and people struggling in our communities.



The recommendation is that we continue to try to give at least 50% of donated income away, but that we also aim to keep 6 months out goings in reserve ~ i.e. £21050 with the current rate of monthly outgoings (for 2023-24) and the extras we are committed to. In the current financial year, we are expecting both income and expenditure to continue to increase due to rising living costs and new people joining the church. We will also be supporting the work of Cornerstone Church as it becomes established in the north of the county.



Principal Funding Sources

Gateway Church Northumberland's only funding source is the donations of the church members.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds held by the charity should be at least 6 months of the expenditure. Budgeted expenditure for 2023-24 is £42100 and therefore the target is £21050 in the general funds. The reserves are

needed to meet the day-to-day expenditure requirements of the charity and the Trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. At the end of 2022-23, the general funds had £42000 easily giving us our 6-month buffer going forward. The strategy is to continue to maintain a 6-month buffer whilst aiming to give away at least 50% of our donated income, which includes the Gift Aid claim from HMRC.

Auditors

Lucid Accountants and Business Advisors Ltd were re-appointed as the charitable company's auditors during the year and have expressed their willingness to continue in that capacity.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Trustees on October 21st 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Mr David Harbertson
(Chair)





Gateway Church Northumberland			Charity No (if any)	1164586	CC17a
Annual accounts for the period					
Period start date	01-Apr-22	To	Period end date	31-Mar-23	

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Details of own analysis	Note	Restricted			Total this year	Total last year
			Unrestricted funds	income funds	Endowment funds		
			£	£	£	£	£
			F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)							
Incoming resources from generated funds			32,606			32,606	25,807
Voluntary income		S01				-	
Activities for generating funds		S02				-	
Investment income		S03				-	
Incoming resources from charitable activities		S04				-	
Other incoming resources		S05				-	
Total incoming resources		S06	32,606	-	-	32,606	25,807
Resources expended (Notes 4-8)							
Costs of Generating Funds			-	-	-	-	
Costs of generating voluntary income		S07	7,661	-	-	7,661	4,264
Fundraising trading costs		S08	1,234		-	1,234	1,756
Investment management costs		S09	379	-	-	379	369
Charitable activities		S10	14,437	-	-	14,437	12,335
Governance costs		S11	853	-	-	853	680
Other resources expended		S12		-	-	-	-
Total resources expended		S13	24,564	-	-	24,564	19,404
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		S14	8,042	0	0	8,042	6,403
Gross transfers between funds		S15	0	0	0	0	0
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)		S16	8,042	0	0	8,042	6,403
Other recognised gains/(losses)							
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		S17	0	0	0	0	0
Gains and losses on investment assets		S18	0	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		S19	8,042	0	0	8,042	6,403
Total funds brought forward		S20	34,158	0	0	34,158	27,755
Total funds carried forward		S21	42,200	0	0	42,200	34,158

Section B Balance sheet

		Note	Restricted			Total this year £ F04	Total last year £ F05
			Unrestricted funds £ F01	income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03		
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets	(Note 9)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
		B02	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	(Note 10)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets		B04	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets							
Stock and work in progress		B05	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors	(Note 11)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
(Short term) investments		B07	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		B08	42,200	-	-	42,200	34,158
Total current assets		B09	42,200	-	-	42,200	34,158
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year							
	(Note 12)	B10	-	-	-	-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)		B11	42,200	-	-	42,200	34,158
Total assets less current liabilities		B12	42,200	-	-	42,200	34,158
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year							
	(Note 12)	B13	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges		B14	-	-	-	-	-
Net assets		B15	42,200	-	-	42,200	-
Funds of the Charity							
Unrestricted funds		B16	42,200			42,200	34,158
		B17	-			-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 13)		B18		-		-	-
Endowment funds (Note 13)		B19			-	-	-
Total funds		B20	42,200	-	-	42,200	34,158
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees			Signature		Print Name		Date of approval
			Mrs G Bray		Mrs G Bray		

Section C**Notes to the accounts****Note 1 Basis of preparation**

This section should be completed by all charities .

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost (except that investments are shown at market value) in accordance with:

- Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005);
- and with*

✓

 Accounting Standards;
- or
- and with the Charities Act.

[** except for the following].

Give details in this box if a different standard has been followed.

* -Tick as appropriate:

- if all relevant disclosures shown in the pack have been given then please tick "Accounting Standards";
- if disclosures completed in these accounts have been restricted to those required by the FRSSE, then please tick "Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE)".

** - If no departures from the chosen standards have been made then delete these words; otherwise give details of any changes in the boxes.

1.2 Change in basis of accounting

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made.

1.3 Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made.

Note 2**Accounting policies**

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those deleted. Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

INCOMING RESOURCES**Recognition of incoming resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual income and performance related grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity.

Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated services and facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment gains and losses

This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES**Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants with performance conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

**Grants payable without performance conditions
Support Costs**

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

ASSETS**Tangible fixed assets for use by charity**

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.

Stocks and work in progress

These are valued at the lower of cost or market value.

**POLICIES ADOPTED
ADDITIONAL TO OR
DIFFERENT FROM THOSE
ABOVE**

Note 3

Analysis of incoming resources - UN-RESTRICTED

Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income	Donations	27,168	21,159
	Gift Aid	4,357	3,951
	Devoted	-	-
	Total	31,525	25,110
Activities for generating funds			
	Badminton	1,080	415
	Other	-	282
	Total	1,080	697
Investment income			
	Bank interest	-	-
	Total	-	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		32,605	25,807

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Note 3 **Analysis of incoming resources - RESTRICTED**

Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income		-	
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Activities for generating funds		-	
		-	
	Total	-	-
Investment income		-	
	Total	-	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		-	-

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Note 4 **Analysis of resources expended - UN-RESTRICTED**
Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Costs of generating voluntary income	Hall Hire	4,130	1,922
	Drop In	-	-
	Speaker	300	400
	Other	1,298	480
	Cornerstone Church	322	-
	Church weekend	1,611	1,462
	Total	7,661	4,264
Fundraising trading costs	Licences & Subscriptions	943	845
	DBS Checks	182	24
	Equipment	109	887
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
	Total	1,234	1,756
Investment management costs	Bank Charges	-	-
	Audit Fee	-	-
	Insurance	379	369
Charitable activities	Total	379	369
Governance costs	Childrens Youth Work	268	240
	Gifts	1,200	1,950
	Gateway Into Life	205	-
	Charity Giving	7,900	8,600
	Church Meals	4,864	1,545
	Total	14,437	12,335
	Staff Training, Welfare	853	618
	Office costs, Website, sundry	-	62
			-
	Total	853	680
Grand Totals		24,564	19,404

Note 4 Analysis of resources expended - RESTRICTED

Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Costs of generating voluntary income		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Fundraising trading costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Investment management costs		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Charitable activities		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Governance costs		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		-	-

Note 5 Support Costs

Please complete this note if the charity has analysed its expenses using activity categories and has support costs.

Support cost type	Fundraising activity £	Charitable Activity £	Governance Activity £	Total Cost £
Badminton	984	-	-	984
Staff Training & Welfare	853			853
Course Materials		-	-	-
Equipment, Event hire	109	-	-	109
Stationery & Sundry		-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	370	370
Licences and Subscriptions	-	-	943	943
Website				-
Alpha				-
Gateway Into Life	-			-
DBS Checks	182			182
Social Events	8			8
Travel Expenses			272	272
Conferences/training, Speakers	300	-	-	300
Total	2,436	-	1,585	4,021

Note 6 Details of certain items of expenditure

6.1 Trustee expenses

Please provide details of the amount of any payment or reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses made to trustees or to third parties for expenses incurred by trustees. If no expenses were paid, please enter 'None' in the appropriate box(es).

Number of trustees who were paid expenses

Nature of the expenses

Total amount paid

This year	Last year
£	£

6.2 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner or auditor. If nothing was paid please enter NONE in the

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the
Other fees (for example: advice, consultancy, accountancy)

This year £	Last year £
30	30

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Note 7 **Paid employees**
Please complete this note if the charity has any employees.

7.1 Staff Costs

	This year £	Last year £
Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	-	-
Employer's National Insurance costs	-	-
Pension costs	-	-
Total staff costs	-	-

7.2 Average number of full-time equivalent employees in the year

	This year Number	Last year Number
The parts of the charity in which the employees work		
Fundraising	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-
Governance	-	-
Other	-	-
Total	-	-

7.3 Defined contribution pension scheme

Please complete if a defined contribution pension scheme is operated.

Brief details of the scheme

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	This year £	Last year £
The costs of the scheme to the charity for the year		
The amount of any contributions outstanding at the year end		
The amount of any contributions prepaid at the year end		

Note 8 Grantmaking

Please complete this note if the charity made any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

8.1 Total value of grants

Purpose for which grants made	Grants to institutions Total amount £	Grants to individuals Total amount £
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

8.1 Grantmaking costs

If the charity's accounts are prepared on the "activity basis" please give details of any support cost associated with grantmaking. Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

Support costs of grantmaking

£

8.3 Grants made to institutions

If the charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking please give details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution listed. Sufficient information should be given to provide a reasonable understanding of the range of institutions supported.

Names of institutions	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions		-

Note 9**Tangible fixed assets**

Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets

9.1 Cost or valuation

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Payments on account and assets under construction	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.2 Accumulated depreciation and impairment provisions

**Basis	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB
** Rate					

Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation charge for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment provisions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.3 Net book value

Brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.4 Revaluation

If any fixed assets have been revalued please give details of the valuer and method of valuation

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* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Please indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also please indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, what is the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, what is the percentage annual deduction.

Note 10 Investment assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any investment assets.

10.1 Fixed assets investments

	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	-
Add: additions to investments at cost	-
Less: disposals at carrying value	-
Add/(deduct): net gain/(loss) on revaluation	-
Carrying (market) value at end of year	-

Please provide below:

10.2 A breakdown of the market values of investments shown above agreeing with the balance sheet row B03.

10.3 A breakdown of the income from investments agreeing with SOFA row S03.

Analysis of investments

	10.2 Market value at year end £	10.3 Income from investments for the year £
Investment properties	-	-
Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange or held in common investment funds, open ended investment companies, unit trusts or other collective investment schemes	-	-
Investments in subsidiary or connected undertakings and companies	-	-
Securities not listed on a recognised Stock Exchange	-	-
Cash held as part of the investment portfolio	-	-
Other investments	-	-
Total	-	-

10.4 Material investment holdings

If any single investment is material in terms of its value (for example represents more than 5 per cent of the value of the charity's total investments) please provide details.

Investment held	
Market Value	

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Note 11 Debtors and prepayments

Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.

Analysis of debtors

Trade debtors

Amounts due from subsidiary and associated undertakings

Other debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Total

Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

Note 12 Creditors and accruals

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

12.1 Analysis of creditors

Loans and overdrafts

Trade creditors

Amounts due to subsidiary and associated undertakings

Other creditors

Accruals and deferred income

Total

Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

12.2 Security over assets

If any loan, overdraft or other creditor holds a charge or other security over any assets of the charity please provide details.

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Note 13 **Endowment and restricted income funds**
Please complete this section if the charity has any endowment or restricted income funds.

13.1 Funds held

Please give a brief description of any of the following type of funds held by the charity:

- permanent endowment funds (PE);
- expendable endowment funds (EE); and
- restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity (R).

Fund Name	Type PE, EE or R	Purpose and Restrictions

13.2 Movements of major funds

Please give details of the movements of the major funds summarised in the restricted and endowment columns of the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-

13.3 Transfers between funds

Please give details of any transfers between funds.

From Fund (Name)	To Fund (Name)	Reason	Amount

Note 14 Transactions with related parties

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in note 6) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "None" in the relevant boxes.

14.1 Remuneration and benefits

Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee or other related parties by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value	
		This year £	Last year £

14.2 Loans

Please give details of and amounts owing to or from the charity's trustees or other related parties by the charity at the year end.

	Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority	Amount owing	
			This year £	Last year £
Due to trustees and related parties				
Due from trustees and related parties				

14.3 Other transaction(s) with trustees or related parties

Please give details of any transaction undertaken by (or on behalf of) the charity in which a trustee or related party has a material interest.

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	This year £	Last year £

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Note 15	Additional Disclosures
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The following are significant matters which are not covered in other notes and need to be included to provide a proper understanding of the accounts. If there is insufficient room here, please add a separate sheet.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

GATEWAY CHURCH NORTHUMBERLAND

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1164586

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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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:

RTBambling

Date:

30/10/2023

Name:

RUSSELL JAMES BAMBLING ACMA

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

CHARTERED MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANT

Address:

WESTWOOD, SKIERLEY GARDENS,
OTTERBURN, NORTHUMBERLAND
NE 19 1HA

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.

Accounts



**Gateway Church
Northumberland**

Gateway Church Northumberland
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Annual Report
Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

Charity number 1164586

Gateway Church Northumberland
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Financial Statements
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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Gateway Church Northumberland

Charity registration number: 1164586

Registered Office and operational address:

Dene House
Shilbottle
Alnwick
Northumberland
NE66 2HS

Church Eldership

Joss Bray
Dave Harbertson
Ray Middleton

Trustees

Mr D Harbertson
Mrs J Verity
Mrs G Bray
Dr J Bray

Chair
Minutes Secretary
Treasurer

Auditors -

Lucid Accountants and Business Advisors Ltd
Lee Moor Business Park
Alnwick

Bankers - Lloyds Bank, Bondgate Within, Alnwick

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered as a charity on 1st December 2014. The charity was established with a constitution who's only voting members are its charity trustees. In the event of the charity being wound up the trustees have no liability to settle its debts and liabilities.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Constitution, except for the initial Trustees, every Trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees.

There shall be a minimum of three and a maximum of twelve Trustees.

Any person retiring as a Trustee is eligible for reappointment.

All member of the Trustees give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity.

Organisational Structure

Gateway Church Northumberland has up to 12 Charity Trustees who are responsible for ensuring all legal requirements of the charity are met. The strategic and spiritual direction and pastoral oversight of Gateway Church Northumberland are the responsibility of the Church Elders.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the charity will continue on that basis.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the CIO and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the CIO and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Members of the Trustees

Members of the Trustees, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 3. As the CIO's Trustees, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.



Our Aims and Objectives

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the CIO's constitution:

- the advancement of the Christian Religion in the United Kingdom and overseas in accordance with the statement of faith produced by the Evangelical Alliance
- to relieve people who are in charitable need because of:
 - sickness or poor health
 - age
 - financial hardship or
 - some other reason by any proper means as the trustees think fit and including (where appropriate but not by way of limitation) the provision of advice, the promotions of good practices to combat such conditions and the provision of resources to alleviate or prevent need.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

Each year we review our objects and activities to ensure that what we are doing meets the objects of the charity. In reviewing the year, it helps us focus on what we need to do in the coming year in order to further our aims.

The focus of our work

The work of Gateway Church Northumberland is always to “Love God, Love Each Other and Serve the Community”. We seek to ensure we achieve these by meeting together to worship God both in a weekly large gathering and during the week in a small groups, through meeting up for coffee in friendship groups, holding social events and by helping out members of our community when it is needed, whether they are part of Gateway Community Church or not.

How our activities deliver public benefit

Who used and benefited from Gateway Church Northumberland?

Gateway Church Northumberland gathers people of all ages, from a wide variety of backgrounds and nationalities, from 20 miles in all directions and is open for anyone to come along to any of our meetings, events, and activities. Sunday meetings have regularly been attended by 35+ people. We gather families and singles, people with a wide range of health issues, those in financial need and those who have the ability to help support people in their own community and beyond. People from the church help out at the local food banks, work with Gateway into Life, give practical help to their neighbours and raise money for local, national, and international charities.

The last 12 months ~ from the Chair

It has been another exciting year in the story of Gateway Church, with God having His way in so many of our lives. People being added to the church, new Christians, and a most exciting baptism. We also appointed our first three Elders in January 2022, a large step in the development of the leadership of the church. How good is the God we adore, and He continues to remain faithful and continues to bless us.



We will, as a body of believers, continue to trust Him for in this coming year, whatever He allows to come across our path. We want it put on record again that God is always good. He has continued to provide for all our needs and more. Our heart cry continues to be that God would breakthrough in this region and beyond and our commitment in prayer is to see that breakthrough take place. God has a future for the church in Northumberland that will surely surpass our expectations. We just have to remain obedient to the call that God has put upon us.

Our numbers have grown over the year, with the addition of two families. However, we must remind ourselves that growth is not measured in terms of numbers.

Sundays continue to be a day when we have been aware of the presence of God in our midst. We again must acknowledge the tremendous work put in by Joss and Gill and we are grateful for all that they have done during the past year. Gill has led us in worship, ably supported by Megan and the rest of the worship team and we are all beneficiaries of their dedication and God-given skills. We continue to be thankful to those who manage the sound desk and words for the screen and also those who set up the chairs and tables. As we all pull together and do what we can, all benefit accordingly.

There are now four teams that prepare the meals, who are also assisted by others when needed. Fantastic food, fantastic commitment and we would not be the church we are, without your tremendous work, dedication, and culinary skills.

The preaching continues to be shared out between the Elders. Over the last year, we have studied the parables of the Kingdom, had an exciting journey through the first 11 chapters of Genesis and explored the gifts and the fruits of the Holy Spirit as well as themes at Easter and Christmas time. Our prayer as always is that the studies will become more than head knowledge but will change our lives. It's been great to hear God's word preached and even better to see how we have responded to all the challenges of the Holy Spirit.



The children have benefitted enormously with the leadership of Sunday School, being led by Gail. Gail's preparation of the material has been outstanding, and the children have been the beneficiaries of her unstinted hard work. Often, it is unseen work but not by God. Our thanks for those who continue to give time to serve the children and we are encouraged by those who have committed to help the children's work by assisting the teachers. The area of the youth continues to be an area of need and prayer.



The commitment to preach the Gospel in each meeting continues to be paramount, as is the need to offer prayer to all who so desire it. The introduction of monthly prayer meetings can only be healthy. Prayer has to be the engine of the church.

We continue have communion every two weeks which has helped us in our focus on Jesus and a good variety of people have been involved in introducing the communion part of the meeting.

In terms of midweek, the leaders continue to meet on Thursdays and have one meeting a month for a wider leadership team to discuss the life of the church and pray for those involved with the children, the discipleship groups, the worship and other areas of church life. The leaders continue to be supported by Regions Beyond through regular contact with other leaders across the country and world, and through our ongoing relationship with Ray Lowe from New Life Church in Biggin Hill. Our church weekend at

Dene House was again a highlight of the year and we continue to appreciate Joss and Gill's hospitality. So many challenges and areas of encouragement there.

Last year there was a prophetic word about the church being pregnant and in February, we started Cornerstone Church in Seahouses/Belford area. The house church meets on Sunday mornings with about 8 people in regular attendance and the church also meets once a month for a big breakfast in Belford. Gill and Julian have opened their home and Matt and Megan have ably led us in worship. Over the last 7 months, the church has studied Colossians and the life of Elijah. We await with expectation to see what God is going to do up there in the far north !

The discipleship groups continue, and these meetings, in terms of importance, cannot be overemphasised. Good relationships are being developed, prayer has been maintained and a good grounding in the scriptures has taken place. Some meetings have been on Zoom and others have been face to face. The ladies' discipleship group continue to meet together in person and God continues to bless them. Again, without prayer, we as a church will die, and church growth, has at its foundation, the commitment to pray for each other and for the salvation of those around.

Brian's Big Breakfast continues to be highly successful and damaging to those wanting to lose weight. It's just so good to meet around the area, blessing local cafes and using the opportunity to invite friends along to the meal as well.

Outside of the regular church routine, there have been other activities. We have had the visit of Peter and Kay Goodchild who have shared with us about the work of Emmanuel Press in South Africa and we continue to support them financially. The visit of Junction 42 was so exciting, seeing how lives are being changed. The Badminton group continues with additional members, the Gateway Bikers are meeting together more regularly and there is now a Gateway Golf group !





We continue to have strong links with a New Frontiers church in Waddington where Joss and Gill have steady input into the leadership team.

The work with G2L has been encouraging and yet challenging this year. We now have two tenants living in the house and both are supported on a weekly basis. We continue to believe that God has great purposes there. Ray has been outstanding in the leadership of the management team. The Empowerment Worker, Marilyn, continues to be an outstanding support to the two tenants and has been exemplary in her work with them. God is our ultimate

support. It is His work, and we will begin to see fruits from this in the future. We have had a gift day to support the G2L work.

There continues to be a tremendous amount of unseen pastoral work from many in the church which is genuinely appreciated and many a time goes on without thanks. A great deal of visiting has taken place.

Additionally, can I thank my fellow trustees for their invaluable work, handling the financial and administrative side of the church. We are delighted to mention that Will is being added to the team of trustees which can only be beneficial. We say to you all, 'thank you' and please continue your excellent work. We just want to see God's kingdom extended in Northumberland and in our own lives.

Contribution of Volunteers

Gateway Church Northumberland is run by volunteers as we have no paid workers. Everything we do is reliant on these volunteers: cooking Sunday lunch, setting out tables and chairs, setting up the PA, playing in the band, washing up, preaching God's word, visiting people, giving lifts to appointments, transporting people to events, gardening for community members, setting up Zoom meetings, delivering food parcels and much more. Everyone can and does do something to help out, whatever their age, ability, or gender.

Carrying out our Plans for the future

As we continue through 2022 and into 2023, we will continue to Love God, Love Each Other and Serve our Communities and Desperately Expect God to Breakthrough into our lives and into the lives of the people around us. We will continue to learn to be relaxed in God, be reliant on God and be ready for God. We will continue to meet on Sunday afternoons at Shilbottle Community Hall and to support the newly formed Cornerstone Church Northumberland on Sunday mornings in Seahouses. Through the week we will continue to support each other as part of God's family through the use of ZOOM and WhatsApp and in person where appropriate. We will continue to support each other practically, where possible, and also reach out into our communities to demonstrate God's love to all.



As we go on through the next year and beyond, we expect the discipleship groups to continue to grow and that new groups will be formed as we seek to find the best way to organise the groups. We would like to take the Church on the Road again with further Worship & Prayer evenings, to run a series of ALPHA courses and hope to run a Marriage Course to offer time for couples to strengthen their marriages.

We expect the links between ourselves and Freedom Church in Waddington to continue to strengthen and for us to support the leadership there as they establish their new church and the people that are part of them. We are also continuing to seeing our relationship with other leaders across the Regions Beyond group of churches deepen and strengthen, receiving and giving support to each other.

Our support of prison ministry will continue both financially and with people being involved in a variety of ways. We will continue to support "Gateway to Life" including providing some of the trustees, being part of the Management Team and to form the Friendship and Support Group for the first house. We will also continue to support Christian work through the work of Emmanuel Press and the group of churches we belong to, Regions Beyond, part of Newfrontiers.

We also continue aim to use the Gateway Bikers, Gateway Badminton, Gateway Golfers, further church walks and other social events to build relationships with people in our communities.

We continue to aspire to use at least 50% of our income to help others.

Financial review

Overview

We began the financial year (April 1st 2021) with £27556 in the bank and ended the financial year (31st March 2022) with £34158 in the bank, giving us a profit on the year of £6403. This was due to our continued generous giving over the year and the fact that we had lower expenditure at the start of the financial year due to COVID restrictions and not meeting indoors for half the year. This meant our venue hire costs were below expectation.

Our income from donations from church members has increased on the previous year, more members are continuing to give through the bank. We also had income from the Gift Aid payment from HMRC of £3951!



Our outgoings have also increased over the last year. This is due to coming out of lockdown and restarting to pay for room hire and Sunday meals. We also had our Church Weekend which incurred costs not incurred last year. We had our normal outgoings for licences and subscriptions with thirtyone:eight (formally CCPAS), Worship Extreme (online song projection facility) and CCLI plus the monthly subscription for the children's work going out despite the pandemic. We also kept our licences for Zoom and online streaming permissions.

We set out with the intention of trying to give 50% of our donation income away. 50% would have been £12555; we gave away £11292, 44% of our income. This was to the charities we are committed to giving to and to members of the church to help out during the pandemic. Donations are made regularly to Regions Beyond Churches, the Bible Network, Emmanuel Press and Junction42. We have also given donations to the Royal British Legion (wreath for Remembrance Day), members of the church and people struggling in our communities.

The recommendation is that we continue to try to give at least 50% of donated income away, but that we also aim to keep 6 months out goings in reserve ~ i.e. £14840 with the current rate of monthly outgoings (for 2022-23) and the extras we are committed to. In the current financial year, we are expecting both income and expenditure to continue to increase as the church meets together in person and new people are added in. We will also be supporting the work of Cornerstone Church as it becomes established in the north of the county.

Principal Funding Sources

Gateway Church Northumberland's only funding source is the donations of the church members.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds held by the charity should be at least 6 months of the expenditure. Budgeted expenditure for 2022-23 is £29680 and therefore the target is £14840 in the general funds. The reserves are needed to meet the day-to-day expenditure requirements of the charity and the Trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. At the end of 2021-22, the general funds had £34158 easily giving us our 6-month buffer going forward. The strategy is to continue to maintain a 6-month buffer whilst aiming to give away at least 50% of our donated income, which includes the Gift Aid claim from HMRC.

Auditors

Lucid Accountants and Business Advisors Ltd were re-appointed as the charitable company's auditors during the year and have expressed their willingness to continue in that capacity.



This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Trustees on November 4th 2022 and signed on its behalf by

Mr David Harbertson
(Chair)



ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st 2022 WITH YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISONS

Gateway Church Northumberland

~ Summary of the Accounts 2021-22 Compared to 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS:

*50% of giving includes Donations and Gift Aid payment from HMRC

*Actual giving includes gifts to people, charity giving (Bible Network, ChristCentral, Junction 42/Bibles for Cuba), Gateway into Life and the payments for Wydale people couldn't make themselves



Gateway Church Northumberland			Charity No (if any)
Annual accounts for the period			
Period start date	Apr 1, 21	To	Period end date

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Details of own analysis	Note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03
Incoming resources (Note 3)					
Incoming resources from generated funds			25,807		
Voluntary income		S01			
Activities for generating funds		S02			
Investment income		S03			
Incoming resources from charitable activities		S04			
Other incoming resources		S05			
Total incoming resources		S06	25,807	-	-
Resources expended (Notes 4-8)					
Costs of Generating Funds			-	-	-
Costs of generating voluntary income		S07	4,264	-	-
Fundraising trading costs		S08	1,756		-
Investment management costs		S09	369	-	-
Charitable activities		S10	12,335	-	-
Governance costs		S11	680	-	-
Other resources expended		S12		-	-
Total resources expended		S13	19,404	-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		S14	6,403	0	0
Gross transfers between funds		S15	0	0	0
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)		S16	6,403	0	0
Other recognised gains/(losses)					
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		S17	0	0	0
Gains and losses on investment assets		S18	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		S19	6,403	0	0
Total funds brought forward		S20	27,755	0	0
Total funds carried forward		S21	34,158	0	0

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Total this year £ F04	Total last year £ F05
25,807	22,974
-	
-	
-	
-	
-	
25,807	22,974

-	
4,264	320
1,756	
369	
12,335	11,344
680	
-	1,548
19,404	13,212
6,403	9,762
0	0
6,403	9,762

0	0
0	0
6,403	9,762
27,755	9,400
34,158	19,162

Section B Balance sheet

	Note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total this year £ F04	Total last year £ F05
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets (Note 9)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
	B02	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 10)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	B04	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets						
Stock and work in progress	B05	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 11)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
(Short term) investments	B07	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	B08	34,158	-	-	34,158	27,755
Total current assets	B09	34,158	-	-	34,158	27,755
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 12)	B10	-	-	-	-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)	B11	34,158	-	-	34,158	27,755
Total assets less current liabilities	B12	34,158	-	-	34,158	27,755
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year (Note 12)	B13	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges	B14	-	-	-	-	-
Net assets	B15	34,158	-	-	34,158	-
Funds of the Charity						
Unrestricted funds	B16	34,158			34,158	27,755
	B17	-			-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 13)	B18		-		-	-
Endowment funds (Note 13)	B19			-	-	-
Total funds	B20	34,158	-	-	34,158	27,755

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Mrs G Bray	Nov 4, 22

Note 1 Basis of preparation

This section should be completed by all charities.

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost (or fair value) in accordance with:

- Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2019
 - and with*

✓

 Accounting Standards;
 - or

✓

 Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (FRSSE) 2018
 - and with the Charities Act.
- [** except for the following].

Give details in this box if a different standard has been used

* -Tick as appropriate:

- ☐ if all relevant disclosures shown in the pack have been given
- ☐ if disclosures completed in these accounts have been restricted to the "Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE)".

** - If no departures from the chosen standards have been made then tick the boxes.

1.2 Change in basis of accounting

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation basis, depreciation, etc.)

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made

1.3 Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made

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amended Practice (SORP 2005);

Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE);

followed.

then please tick "Accounting Standards";

ed to those required by the FRSSE, then please tick

n delete these words; otherwise give details of any changes

n rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

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Note 2

Accounting policies

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those deleted. Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

INCOMING RESOURCES**Recognition of incoming resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual income and performance related grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity.

Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated services and facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment gains and losses

This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES**Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants with performance conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

**Grants payable without performance conditions
Support Costs**

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

ASSETS**Tangible fixed assets for use by charity**

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.

Stocks and work in progress

These are valued at the lower of cost or market value.

**POLICIES ADOPTED
ADDITIONAL TO OR
DIFFERENT FROM THOSE
ABOVE**

Note 3

Analysis of incoming resources - UN-RESTRICTED

Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income	Donations	21,159	18,501
	Gift Aid	3,951	4,473
	Devoted	-	-
	Total	25,110	22,974
Activities for generating funds			
	Badminton	415	-
	Other	282	-
	Total	697	-
Investment income			
	Bank interest	-	-
	Total	-	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		25,807	22,974

Note 3

Analysis of incoming resources - RESTRICTED

Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income		-	
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Activities for generating funds		-	
		-	
	Total	-	-
Investment income		-	
	Total	-	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		-	-

Section C**Notes to the accounts****(co****Note 4****Analysis of resources expended - UN-RESTRICTED**

Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Costs of generating voluntary income	Hall Hire	1,922	320
	Drop In		
	Speaker	400	
	Other	480	72
	Devoted	1,462	
	Total	4,264	392
Fundraising trading costs	Licences & Subscriptions	845	863
	DBS Checks	24	-
	Equipment	887	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	1,756	863
Investment management costs	Bank Charges	-	-
	Audit Fee	-	-
	Insurance	369	312
	Total	369	312
Charitable activities	Childrens Youth Work	240	240
	Gifts	1,950	3,393
	Gateway Into Life	-	23
	Charity Giving	8,600	7,650
	Church Meals	1,545	303
	Total	12,335	11,609
Governance costs	Staff Training, Welfare	618	36
	Office costs, Website, sundry	62	-
		-	-
	Total	680	36
Grand Totals		19,404	13,212

Note 4 Analysis of resources expended - RESTRICTED

Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Costs of generating voluntary income		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Fundraising trading costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Investment management costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Charitable activities		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Governance costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		-	-

Note 5 Support Costs

Please complete this note if the charity has analysed its expenses using activity categories and has support costs.

Support cost type	Fundraising activity £	Charitable Activity £	Governance Activity £	Total Cost £
Badminton	480	-	-	480
Staff Training & Welfare	618			618
Course Materials		-	-	-
Equipment, Event hire	887	-	-	887
Stationery & Sundry		-	18	18
Insurance	-	-	369	369
Licences and Subscriptions	-	-	845	845
Website				-
Alpha				-
Gateway Into Life	-			-
DBS Checks	24			24
Social Events	318			318
Travel Expenses			44	44
Conferences/training, Speakers	400	-	-	400
Total	2,727	-	1,276	4,003

Note 6 Details of certain items of expenditure**6.1 Trustee expenses**

Please provide details of the amount of any payment or reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses made to trustees or to third parties for expenses incurred by trustees. If no expenses were paid, please enter 'None' in the appropriate box(es).

Number of trustees who were paid expenses

Nature of the expenses

Total amount paid

This year	Last year
£	£

6.2 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner or auditor. If nothing was paid please enter NONE in

**Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the
Other fees (for example: advice, consultancy, accountancy)**

This year £	Last year £
30	30

Note 7

Paid employees

Please complete this note if the charity has any employees.

7.1 Staff Costs

	This year £	Last year £
Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	-	-
Employer's National Insurance costs	-	-
Pension costs	-	-
Total staff costs	-	-

7.2 Average number of full-time equivalent employees in the year

The parts of the charity in which the employees work	This year Number	Last year Number
Fundraising	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-
Governance	-	-
Other	-	-
Total	-	-

7.3 Defined contribution pension scheme

Please complete if a defined contribution pension scheme is operated.

Brief details of the scheme

	This year £	Last year £
The costs of the scheme to the charity for the year		
The amount of any contributions outstanding at the year end		
The amount of any contributions prepaid at the year end		

Note 8 Grantmaking

Please complete this note if the charity made any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

8.1 Total value of grants

Purpose for which grants made	Grants to institutions Total amount £	Grants to individuals Total amount £
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

8.1 Grantmaking costs

If the charity's accounts are prepared on the "activity basis" please give details of any support cost associated with grantmaking. Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

Support costs of grantmaking

£

8.3 Grants made to institutions

If the charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking please give details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution listed. Sufficient information should be given to provide a reasonable understanding of the range of institutions supported.

Names of institutions	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions		-

Section C

Notes to the accounts

Note 9 Tangible fixed assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets

9.1 Cost or valuation

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Payments on account and assets under construction	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.2 Accumulated depreciation and impairment provisions

**Basis	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB
** Rate					

Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation charge for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment provisions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.3 Net book value

Brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.4 Revaluation

If any fixed assets have been revalued please give details of the valuer and method of valuation

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* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Please indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also please indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, what is the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, what is the percentage annual deduction.

Note 10 Investment assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any investment assets.

10.1 Fixed assets investments

	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	-
Add: additions to investments at cost	-
Less: disposals at carrying value	-
Add/(deduct): net gain/(loss) on revaluation	-
Carrying (market) value at end of year	-

Please provide below:

10.2 A breakdown of the market values of investments shown above agreeing with the balance sheet row B03.

10.3 A breakdown of the income from investments agreeing with SOFA row S03.

Analysis of investments

	10.2 Market value at year end £	10.3 Income from investments for the year £
Investment properties	-	-
Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange or held in common investment funds, open ended investment companies, unit trusts or other collective investment schemes	-	-
Investments in subsidiary or connected undertakings and companies	-	-
Securities not listed on a recognised Stock Exchange	-	-
Cash held as part of the investment portfolio	-	-
Other investments	-	-
Total	-	-

10.4 Material investment holdings

If any single investment is material in terms of its value (for example represents more than 5 per cent of the value of the charity's total investments) please provide details.

Investment held	
Market Value	

Note 11 Debtors and prepayments

Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.

Analysis of debtors

Trade debtors

Amounts due from subsidiary and associated undertakings

Other debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Total

Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

Note 12 Creditors and accruals

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

12.1 Analysis of creditors

Loans and overdrafts

Trade creditors

Amounts due to subsidiary and associated undertakings

Other creditors

Accruals and deferred income

Total

Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

12.2 Security over assets

If any loan, overdraft or other creditor holds a charge or other security over any assets of the charity please provide details.

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Section C**Notes to the accounts****Note 13 Endowment and restricted income funds**

Please complete this section if the charity has any endowment or restricted income funds.

13.1 Funds held

Please give a brief description of any of the following type of funds held by the charity:

- permanent endowment funds (PE);
- expendable endowment funds (EE); and
- restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity (R).

Fund Name	Type PE, EE or R	Purpose and Restrictions

13.2 Movements of major funds

Please give details of the movements of the major funds summarised in the restricted and endowment columns of the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-

13.3 Transfers between funds

Please give details of any transfers between funds.

From Fund (Name)	To Fund (Name)	Reason	Amount

Note 14**Transactions with related parties**

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in note 6) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "None" in the relevant boxes.

14.1 Remuneration and benefits

Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee or other related parties by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value	
		This year £	Last year £

14.2 Loans

Please give details of and amounts owing to or from the charity's trustees or other related parties by the charity at the year end.

	Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority	Amount owing	
			This year £	Last year £
Due to trustees and related parties				
Due from trustees and related parties				

14.3 Other transaction(s) with trustees or related parties

Please give details of any transaction undertaken by (or on behalf of) the charity in which a trustee or related party has a material interest.

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	This year £	Last year £

Note 15	Additional Disclosures
The following are significant matters which are not covered in other notes and need to be included to provide a proper understanding of the accounts. If there is insufficient room here, please add a separate sheet.	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

GATEWAY CHURCH NORTHUMBERLAND

On accounts for the year
ended

MARCH 31st 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1164586

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

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:

RJ Bambling

Date:

7 October 2022

Name:

RUSSELL JAMES BAMBLING

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

(if any):

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Address:

LUCID ACCOUNTANCY & BUSINESS ADVISERS LTD.
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ANDOVER NE66 3RL.

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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Accounts



**Gateway Church
Northumberland**

Gateway Church Northumberland
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Annual Report
Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

Charity number 1164586

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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Gateway Church Northumberland

Charity registration number: 1164586

Registered Office and operational address:

Dene House
Shilbottle
Alnwick
Northumberland
NE66 2HS

Church Leadership Team

Joss Bray
Dave Harbertson
Mark Van Schalkwyk
Ray Middleton
Jeremy Tyndall

Trustees

Mr D Harbertson	Chair
Mrs J Verity	Minutes Secretary
Mrs G Bray	Treasurer
Dr J Bray	

Auditors -

Lucid Accountants and Business Advisors Ltd
Lee Moor Business Park
Alnwick

Bankers - Lloyds Bank, Bondgate Within, Alnwick

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered as a charity on 1st December 2014. The charity was established with a constitution who's only voting members are its charity trustees. In the event of the charity being wound up the trustees have no liability to settle its debts and liabilities.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Constitution, except for the initial Trustees, every Trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees.

There shall be a minimum of three and a maximum of twelve Trustees.

Any person retiring as a Trustee is eligible for reappointment.

All member of the Trustees give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity.

Organisational Structure

Gateway Church Northumberland has up to 12 Charity Trustees who are responsible for ensuring all legal requirements of the charity are met. The strategic and spiritual direction and pastoral oversight of Gateway Church Northumberland are the responsibility of the Church Leaders.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the charity will continue on that basis.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the CIO and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the CIO and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Members of the Trustees

Members of the Trustees, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 3. As the CIO's Trustees, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.



Our Aims and Objectives

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the CIO's constitution:

- the advancement of the Christian Religion in the United Kingdom and overseas in accordance with the statement of faith produced by the Evangelical Alliance
- to relieve people who are in charitable need because of:
 - sickness or poor health
 - age
 - financial hardship or
 - some other reason by any proper means as the trustees think fit and including (where appropriate but not by way of limitation) the provision of advice, the promotions of good practices to combat such conditions and the provision of resources to alleviate or prevent need.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

Each year we review our objects and activities to ensure that what we are doing meets the objects of the charity. In reviewing the year, it helps us focus on what we need to do in the coming year in order to further our aims.

The focus of our work

The work of Gateway Church Northumberland is always to “Love God, Love Each Other and Serve the Community”. We seek to ensure we achieve these by meeting together to worship God both in a weekly large gathering and during the week in a small group, through meeting up for coffee in friendship groups, running the weekly drop for the church and the local community, holding social events and by helping out members of our community when it is needed, whether they are part of Gateway Community Church or not.

How our activities deliver public benefit

Who used and benefited from Gateway Church Northumberland?

Gateway Church Northumberland gathers people of all ages, from a wide variety of backgrounds and nationalities, from 20 miles in all directions and is open for anyone to come along to any of our meetings, events, and activities. Sunday meetings have regularly been attended by 30+ people. We gather families and singles, people with a wide range of health issues, those in financial need and those who have the ability to help.



Everyone at Gateway Church Northumberland is encouraged to support people in their own community and beyond. People from the church help out at the local food banks, work with Gateway into Life, give practical help to their neighbours and raise money for local, national, and international charities.

The last 12 months ~ from the Chair

Last year we said that 2020 was an extraordinary year in the life of the church. How much more then, has 2021 been extraordinary. How many of us could have forecast the comings and goings, the heartbreak and the happiness, and yet God is in control and He continues to remain faithful and continues to bless us. We will, as a body of believers, continue to trust Him for in this coming year, whatever He allows to come across our path.

We want it put on record that God is always good. He has continued to provide for all our needs and more. Our heart cry continues to be that God would breakthrough in this region and our commitment in prayer is to see that breakthrough take place. God has a future for the church in Northumberland, a mustard tree future, and God will build His people in this area of Northumberland. We saw Trevor give his heart to Jesus in January, and we must believe that God has more for us in His purposes in the future.

Our numbers have slightly grown over the year, and we have, with sadness and yet with genuine hope, seen Andy and Jill promoted to Heaven, and now they are enjoying the presence of God in ways that we can only imagine, but one day will experience for ourselves.

Sundays continue to be a day when we have been aware of the presence of God in our midst. We must pay tribute to Joss and Gill for all that they have done during the past year. Gill has led us in worship, ably supported by Matt and Megan, whether over Zoom or at Dene House. Joss's organisation of Zoom and Joss and Gill's provision of Dene House for us have been nothing short of a Godsend. As a church, we want to convey our thanks for all that they have done for us. We continue to be thankful to those who manage the sound desk and words for the screen. As we all pull together and do what we can, all benefit accordingly.

The preaching continues to be shared out between the leadership. Over the year, we have studied the Lord's prayer, had an exciting look at the Beatitudes, dipped into a short series on the book of Daniel, had a challenging analysis of the Book of James, started to look at Kingdom parables as well as themes at Easter and Christmas time. It's been great to hear God's word preached and even better to see how we have responded to all the challenges of the Holy Spirit.





The children have benefitted enormously with the leadership of Sunday School, being led by Gail. We should not underestimate the commitment that Gail has demonstrated in her preparation for materials for our children. Often, it is unseen work but not by God. Our thanks for those who continue to give time to serve the children and we are encouraged by those who have committed to help the children's work by assisting the teachers. The new development of a church youth group is equally exciting and we await to see the full purposes of

God in that area. Our thanks to Joss and Sarah who are heading up the work. The commitment to preach the Gospel in each meeting continues to be paramount, as is the need to offer prayer to all who so desire it. We continue have communion every two weeks which has helped us in our focus on Jesus.



In terms of midweek, the leaders continue to meet on Thursdays and have one meeting a month for a wider leadership team to pray. The leaders are support by Regions Beyond through regular contact via Zoom with other leaders across the country and world, and through our ongoing relationship with Ray Lowe from New Life Church in Biggin Hill.

Although our church weekend away was cancelled, the Dene House replacement was significant as we listened to God's word ably preached by Ray Lowe. So many challenges and areas of encouragement there, particularly that we are pregnant with the purposes of God. We await to see all that God is going to do.

The discipleship groups continue, and this meeting, in terms of importance, cannot be overemphasised. We went through an Alpha course which has subsequently become a discipleship group. There is also one other evening discipleship group as well as the ladies' group on Thursday mornings. Throughout lockdown the groups met via Zoom and some continue to do so. People also connect regularly via our WhatsApp groups and this became a life line for some during the pandemic.

Again, without prayer, we as a church will die, and church growth, has at its foundation, the commitment to pray for each other and for the salvation of those around. In addition to all of these, we ran a short Bible study series on eschatology, a study of the last days, as well as an analysis of kingdom economics.

Outside of the regular church routine, there have been other activities. We have had the visit of Peter and Kay Goodchild who have shared with us about the work of Emmanuel Press





in South Africa and we continue to support them financially. The Badminton has started up again after the lockdown with up to 8 players attempting to run around the court energetically, with varying levels of ability.

Paul has preached at the New Frontiers church in Durham and we continue to have strong links with a New Frontiers church in Waddington who ably supported our Dene House weekend.

The work with G2L has been encouraging and yet challenging this year. The Covid virus has meant that the level of support has not been as much as we would have hoped for. Our one tenant has now left but we are about to see 2 tenants stationed in the house. We continue to believe that God has great purposes there. Ray has been outstanding in the leadership of the management team. We now have 4 trustees, with Sarah and Joan standing down and Joss becoming a 4th trustee. Sarah has taken over the leadership of the Friendship and Support group and we expect to see much greater involvement this year with the closing of lockdown. The Empowerment Worker, Marilyn, who has taken over from Catherine, has been exemplary in her work with the tenants. So much still to do, so much that has been done, but God is our support. It is His work and we will begin to see fruits from this in the future. The church's gift day was so encouraging in terms of our financial support of the G2L work.

There has been a tremendous amount of unseen pastoral work from many in the church, particularly in these Covid times which is genuinely appreciated and many a time goes on without thanks. A great deal of visiting has taken place. Additionally, can I thank my fellow trustees for their invaluable work, handling the financial and administrative side of the church. We say to you all, 'thank you' and please continue your excellent work. We just want to see God's kingdom extended in Northumberland and in our own lives.

Contribution of Volunteers

Gateway Church Northumberland is run by volunteers as we have no paid workers. Everything we do is reliant on these volunteers: cooking Sunday lunch, setting out tables and chairs, setting up the PA, playing in the band, washing up, preaching God's word, visiting people, giving lifts to appointments, transporting people to events, gardening for community members, setting up Zoom meetings, delivering food parcels and much more. Everyone can and does do something to help out, whatever their age, ability, or gender.





Carrying out our Plans for the future

As we continue through 2021 and into 2022, we will continue to Love God, Love Each Other and Serve our Communities and Desperately Expect God to Breakthrough into our lives and into the lives of the people around us, despite the challenges that the COVID-19 crisis presents. We will continue to learn to be relaxed in God, be reliant on God and be ready for God. We will continue to meet on Sundays, back in person now after the end of lockdown, at Shilbottle Community Hall. Through the week we will continue to support each other as part of God's

family through the use of ZOOM and WhatsApp and in person where appropriate. We will continue to support each other practically, where possible, and also reach out into our communities to demonstrate God's love to all. As we go on through the next year and beyond, we expect the discipleship groups to continue to grow and that eventually others may be formed. We would like to take the Church on the Road again with further Worship & Prayer evenings, to run a series of ALPHA courses and hope to run a Marriage Course to offer time for couples to strengthen their marriages. These will hopefully be in person but if restrictions are tightened, we will continue to function on line via Zoom.

We expect the links between ourselves and Freedom Church in Waddington to continue to strengthen and for us to support the leadership as they establish their new church and the people that are part of them. We are also seeing our relationship with other leaders across the Regions Beyond group of churches deepen and strengthen, receiving and giving support to each other.

Our support of prison ministry will continue both financially and with people being involved in a variety of ways. We will continue to support "Gateway to Life" including providing some of the trustees, being part of the Management Team and to form the Friendship and Support Group for the first house. We will also continue to support Christian work through the work of Emmanuel Press and the group of churches we belong to, Regions Beyond, part of Newfrontiers.

We also continue aim to use the Gateway Bikers, further church walks and other social events to build relationships with people in our communities.

We continue to aspire to use at least 50% of our income to help others.

Financial review

Overview

We began the financial year (April 1st 2020) with £17993 in the bank and ended the financial year (31st March 2021) with £27556 in the bank, giving us a profit on the year of £9763. This was due to our generous giving over the year and the fact that the COVID lockdown cut our expenditure down dramatically.



Our income from donations from church members has slightly decreased on the previous year, but at the same time, more members are now giving through the bank. We still have income from the Gift Aid payment from HMRC of £4473!

Our outgoings have decreased over the last year. Our hiring costs, meal costs, events costs and travel expenses were virtually none existent due to the pandemic. We still had licences and

subscriptions with thirtyone:eight (formally CCPAS), Worship Extreme (online song projection facility) and CCLI plus the monthly subscription for the children's work going out despite the pandemic. We also added to our expenditure with licences for Zoom and online streaming permissions.

We set out with the intention of trying to give 50% of our donation income away. 50% would have been £11487; we gave away £11066, 48% of our income. This was to the charities we are committed to giving to and to members of the church to help out during the pandemic. Donations are made regularly to Regions Beyond Churches, the Bible Network, Emmanuel Press and Junction42. We have also given donations to the Royal British Legion (wreath for Remembrance Day), members of the church and people struggling in our communities.

The recommendation is that we continue to try to give at least 50% of donated income away, but that we also aim to keep 6 months out goings in reserve ~ i.e. £12789 with the current rate of monthly outgoings (for 2021-22) and the extras we are committed to. In the current financial year, we are expecting both income and expenditure to begin to increase again with the lockdowns being lifted, but are aware that this could change if we have to lockdown again.

Principal Funding Sources

Gateway Church Northumberland's only funding source is the donations of the church members.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds held by the charity should be at least 6 months of the expenditure. Budgeted expenditure for 2021-22 is £25598 and therefore the target is £12,789 in the general funds. The reserves are needed to meet the day to day expenditure requirements of the charity and the



Trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. At the end of 2010-21, the general funds had £27556 easily giving us our 6-month buffer going forward. The strategy is to continue to maintain a 6-month buffer whilst aiming to give away at least 50% of our donated income, which includes the Gift Aid claim from HMRC.

Auditors

Lucid Accountants and Business Advisors Ltd were re-appointed as the charitable company's auditors during the year and have expressed their willingness to continue in that capacity.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Trustees on October 30th 2021 and signed on its behalf by

Mr David Harbertson
(Chair)





Gateway Church Northumberland			Charity No (if any)	1164586	CC17a
Annual accounts for the period					
Period start date	01-Apr-20	To	Period end date	31-Mar-21	

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Details of own analysis	Note	Restricted			Total this year	Total last year
			Unrestricted funds	income funds	Endowment funds		
			£	£	£	£	£
			F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)							
Incoming resources from generated funds			22,974			22,974	28,631
Voluntary income		S01				-	
Activities for generating funds		S02				-	
Investment income		S03				-	
Incoming resources from charitable activities		S04				-	
Other incoming resources		S05				-	
Total incoming resources		S06	22,974	-	-	22,974	28,631
Resources expended (Notes 4-8)							
Costs of Generating Funds			-	-	-	-	
Costs of generating voluntary income		S07	320	-	-	320	9,188
Fundraising trading costs		S08			-	-	
Investment management costs		S09		-	-	-	
Charitable activities		S10	11,344	-	-	11,344	12,477
Governance costs		S11	-	-	-	-	
Other resources expended		S12	1,548	-	-	1,548	7,441
Total resources expended		S13	13,212	-	-	13,212	29,106
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		S14	9,762	0	0	9,762	(475)
Gross transfers between funds		S15	0	0	0	0	0
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)		S16	9,762	0	0	9,762	(475)
Other recognised gains/(losses)							
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		S17	0	0	0	0	0
Gains and losses on investment assets		S18	0	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		S19	9,762	0	0	9,762	(475)
Total funds brought forward		S20	9,400	0	0	9,400	6,231
Total funds carried forward		S21	19,162	0	0	19,162	5,756

Section B Balance sheet

		Note	Restricted				
			Unrestricted funds	income funds	Endowment funds	Total this year	Total last year
			£	£	£	£	£
			F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets	(Note 9)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
		B02	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	(Note 10)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets		B04	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets							
Stock and work in progress		B05	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors	(Note 11)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
(Short term) investments		B07	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		B08	27,755	-	-	27,755	17,993
Total current assets		B09	27,755	-	-	27,755	17,993
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year							
	(Note 12)	B10	-	-	-	-	98
Net current assets/(liabilities)		B11	27,755	-	-	27,755	17,895
Total assets less current liabilities		B12	27,755	-	-	27,755	17,895
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year							
	(Note 12)	B13	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges		B14	-	-	-	-	-
Net assets		B15	27,755	-	-	27,755	-
Funds of the Charity							
Unrestricted funds		B16	27,755			27,755	17,993
		B17	-			-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 13)		B18		-		-	-
Endowment funds (Note 13)		B19			-	-	-
Total funds		B20	27,755	-	-	27,755	17,993
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees			Signature		Print Name		Date of approval
			G. Bray		Mrs G Bray		17-Jan-21

Section C**Notes to the accounts****Note 1 Basis of preparation**

This section should be completed by all charities .

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost (except that investments are shown at market value) in accordance with:

- Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005);
- and with*

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 Accounting Standards;
- or
- and with the Charities Act.

Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE);

[** except for the following].

Give details in this box if a different standard has been followed.

* -Tick as appropriate:

- if all relevant disclosures shown in the pack have been given then please tick "Accounting Standards";
- if disclosures completed in these accounts have been restricted to those required by the FRSSE, then please tick "Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE)".

** - If no departures from the chosen standards have been made then delete these words; otherwise give details of any changes in the boxes.

1.2 Change in basis of accounting

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made.

1.3 Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made.

Note 2

Accounting policies

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those deleted. Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Recognition of incoming resources	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: - the charity becomes entitled to the resources; - the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and - the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Incoming resources with related expenditure	Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.
Gifts in kind	Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Investment gains and losses	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.
Governance costs	Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.
Grants with performance conditions	Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.
Grants payable without performance conditions	These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.
Support Costs	Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.
Investments	Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.
Stocks and work in progress	These are valued at the lower of cost or market value.

**POLICIES ADOPTED
ADDITIONAL TO OR
DIFFERENT FROM THOSE
ABOVE**

Note 3

Analysis of incoming resources - UN-RESTRICTED

Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income	Donations	18,501	21,604
	Gift Aid	4,473	3,612
	Devoted	-	2,583
	Total	22,974	27,799
Activities for generating funds			
	Badminton	-	517
	Other	-	315
	Total	-	832
Investment income			
	Bank interest	-	-
	Total	-	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		22,974	28,631

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)
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Note 3 Analysis of incoming resources - RESTRICTED

Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income		-	
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Activities for generating funds		-	
		-	
	Total	-	-
Investment income		-	
	Total	-	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		-	-

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)
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Note 4 Analysis of resources expended - UN-RESTRICTED

Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Costs of generating voluntary income	Hall Hire	320	4,183
	Drop In		22
	Speaker		600
	Other	72	611
	Devoted		5,801
	Total	392	11,217
Fundraising trading costs	Licences & Subscriptions	863	443
	DBS Checks	-	25
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
Investment management costs	Total	863	468
	Bank Charges	-	-
	Audit Fee	-	-
	Insurance	312	-
Charitable activities	Total	312	-
Governance costs	Childrens Youth Work	240	260
	Gifts	3,393	2,247
	Gateway Into Life	23	2,496
	Charity Giving	7,650	6,300
	Church Meals	303	3,930
	Total	11,609	15,233
	Staff Training, Welfare	36	450
	Office costs, Website, sundry	-	1,738
		-	-
	Total	36	2,188
Grand Totals		13,212	29,106

Note 4 Analysis of resources expended - RESTRICTED

Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Costs of generating voluntary income		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Fundraising trading costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Investment management costs		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Charitable activities		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Governance costs		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Grand Totals		-	-

Note 5 Support Costs

Please complete this note if the charity has analysed its expenses using activity categories and has support costs.

Support cost type	Fundraising activity £	Charitable Activity £	Governance Activity £	Total Cost £
Badminton	72	-	-	72
Staff Training & Welfare	36			36
Course Materials		-	-	-
Equipment, Event hire		-	-	-
Stationery & Sundry		-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	312	312
Licences and Subscriptions	-	-	863	863
Website				-
Alpha				-
Gateway Into Life	23			23
DBS Checks				-
Social Events				
Travel Expenses				-
Conferences/training, Speakers		-	-	-
Total	131	-	1,175	1,306

Note 6 Details of certain items of expenditure

6.1 Trustee expenses

Please provide details of the amount of any payment or reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses made to trustees or to third parties for expenses incurred by trustees. If no expenses were paid, please enter 'None' in the appropriate box(es).

Number of trustees who were paid expenses

Nature of the expenses

Total amount paid

This year	Last year
£	£

6.2 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner or auditor. If nothing was paid please enter NONE in the

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the
Other fees (for example: advice, consultancy, accountancy)

This year £	Last year £
30	30

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Note 7 **Paid employees**
Please complete this note if the charity has any employees.

7.1 Staff Costs

	This year £	Last year £
Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	-	-
Employer's National Insurance costs	-	-
Pension costs	-	-
Total staff costs	-	-

7.2 Average number of full-time equivalent employees in the year

	This year Number	Last year Number
The parts of the charity in which the employees work		
Fundraising	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-
Governance	-	-
Other	-	-
Total	-	-

7.3 Defined contribution pension scheme

Please complete if a defined contribution pension scheme is operated.

Brief details of the scheme

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	This year £	Last year £
The costs of the scheme to the charity for the year		
The amount of any contributions outstanding at the year end		
The amount of any contributions prepaid at the year end		

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Note 8 Grantmaking

Please complete this note if the charity made any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

8.1 Total value of grants

Purpose for which grants made	Grants to institutions Total amount £	Grants to individuals Total amount £
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

8.1 Grantmaking costs

If the charity's accounts are prepared on the "activity basis" please give details of any support cost associated with grantmaking. Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

Support costs of grantmaking

£

8.3 Grants made to institutions

If the charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking please give details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution listed. Sufficient information should be given to provide a reasonable understanding of the range of institutions supported.

Names of institutions	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions		-

Note 9 Tangible fixed assets*Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets***9.1 Cost or valuation**

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Payments on account and assets under construction	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.2 Accumulated depreciation and impairment provisions

**Basis	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB
** Rate					

Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation charge for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment provisions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.3 Net book value

Brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-

9.4 Revaluation*If any fixed assets have been revalued please give details of the valuer and method of valuation*

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* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Please indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also please indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, what is the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, what is the percentage annual deduction.

Note 10 Investment assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any investment assets.

10.1 Fixed assets investments

	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	-
Add: additions to investments at cost	-
Less: disposals at carrying value	-
Add/(deduct): net gain/(loss) on revaluation	-
Carrying (market) value at end of year	-

Please provide below:

10.2 A breakdown of the market values of investments shown above agreeing with the balance sheet row B03.

10.3 A breakdown of the income from investments agreeing with SOFA row S03.

Analysis of investments

	10.2 Market value at year end £	10.3 Income from investments for the year £
Investment properties	-	-
Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange or held in common investment funds, open ended investment companies, unit trusts or other collective investment schemes	-	-
Investments in subsidiary or connected undertakings and companies	-	-
Securities not listed on a recognised Stock Exchange	-	-
Cash held as part of the investment portfolio	-	-
Other investments	-	-
Total	-	-

10.4 Material investment holdings

If any single investment is material in terms of its value (for example represents more than 5 per cent of the value of the charity's total investments) please provide details.

Investment held	
Market Value	

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Note 11 Debtors and prepayments

Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.

Analysis of debtors

Trade debtors

Amounts due from subsidiary and associated undertakings

Other debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Total

Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

Note 12 Creditors and accruals

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

12.1 Analysis of creditors

Loans and overdrafts

Trade creditors

Amounts due to subsidiary and associated undertakings

Other creditors

Accruals and deferred income

Total

Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

12.2 Security over assets

If any loan, overdraft or other creditor holds a charge or other security over any assets of the charity please provide details.

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Note 13 **Endowment and restricted income funds**

Please complete this section if the charity has any endowment or restricted income funds.

13.1 Funds held

Please give a brief description of any of the following type of funds held by the charity:

- permanent endowment funds (PE);
- expendable endowment funds (EE); and
- restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity (R).

Fund Name	Type PE, EE or R	Purpose and Restrictions

13.2 Movements of major funds

Please give details of the movements of the major funds summarised in the restricted and endowment columns of the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-

13.3 Transfers between funds

Please give details of any transfers between funds.

From Fund (Name)	To Fund (Name)	Reason	Amount

Note 14 Transactions with related parties

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in note 6) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "None" in the relevant boxes.

14.1 Remuneration and benefits

Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee or other related parties by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value	
		This year £	Last year £

14.2 Loans

Please give details of and amounts owing to or from the charity's trustees or other related parties by the charity at the year end.

	Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority	Amount owing	
			This year £	Last year £
Due to trustees and related parties				
Due from trustees and related parties				

14.3 Other transaction(s) with trustees or related parties

Please give details of any transaction undertaken by (or on behalf of) the charity in which a trustee or related party has a material interest.

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	This year £	Last year £

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Note 15	Additional Disclosures
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The following are significant matters which are not covered in other notes and need to be included to provide a proper understanding of the accounts. If there is insufficient room here, please add a separate sheet.