

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1165138

Details

Other names OAK CHURCH STEVENAGE - OCS

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-01-12

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN STEVENAGE, HERTFORDSHIRE AND SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE.

Activities: Stevenage Pioneer Youth Trust seeks to advance the Christian faith in Stevenage by reaching out to the young people of Stevenage with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£115,859	£117,981	-	-
2024-12-31	£134,156	£107,338	-	-
2023-12-31	£133,850	£133,819	-	-
2022-12-31	£124,673	£132,046	-	-
2021-12-31	£93,139	£101,012	-	-
2020-12-31	£101,224	£102,116	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Kerry Anne Louw	Chair	2021-05-01
Archdeacon David John Middlebrook		2019-07-19
Rev TIMOTHY HORLOCK		2016-01-12
Vivienne Hathaway		2025-10-07

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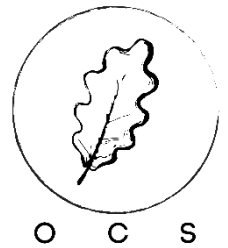
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Accounts

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Oak Church Stevenage/Stevenage Pioneer Youth Trust Report

For the Year ending 31st December 2025

Charity inauguration 12th January 2016.

Governing document: Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) who's only voting members are its charity trustees – issued by Anthony Collins Solicitors.

Charity Number: 1165138

TRUSTEES

Revd Tim Horlock

Venerable Revd Dave Middlebrook

Revd Charles Burch – till June 2025

Kerry Louw (Chair)

Rev. Vivienne Hathaway from November 2025

Office

High Street Methodist Church

Sish Lane

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SG1 3LS

Bishop Mission Order – Oak Church holds a Bishop Mission Order, renewed for eighteen months on 1st September 2025 to enable a longer process of consultation with Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Team delegated on behalf of Bishop of St Albans. A new Bishop will be in place by autumn 2026.

Charity Purposes

The purposes of Oak Church Stevenage are for the advancement of the Christian faith in Stevenage, its surrounding villages and other parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the charity Trustees may decide from time to time.

In planning the activities, the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Governance

Trustees who meet regularly to review activities govern Oak Church Stevenage. Day to day leadership about operations delegated to the church leader and associated lay leadership teams. The existing trustees and the church leader appoint new trustees.

Main Activities

Oak Church's vision remains as a multigenerational community who seek to enable young people to encounter Jesus Christ and go on a lifelong adventure with him. We undertake this vision in a variety of ways with a high emphasis on relationship and creating safe places for people to explore faith in Jesus Christ.

Oak Church operates under a missional rhythm of Gathering, Community and Outreach. A summary of activities within this rhythm below.

4:30pm service.

The 430pm weekly service has a different flavour each week so as to embrace a multigenerational community whom all gather in the same room. There are some similar trends which occur weekly – namely, a free café, drinks, sung worship, in person hosts, space for prayer ministry, a talk and time to 'hang out' and build relationship.

Additionally, week 1 focuses toward a more conventional Sunday of all of the above, with live sung worship led by a musician or band and this service is livestreamed and uploaded to YouTube.

Week 2 steers toward a meal, where the whole community eat together before a talk followed by small groups. Worship too.

Week 3 is Holy Communion, again livestreamed, more like week 1 in feel.

Week 4 is a 'family all age interactive' service with games, bouncy castle, 'high tea' and children accessible worship, talk and prayer time. All the community gather as one irrespective of age.

Prayer Meetings

Oak Church prioritizes the importance of prayer with offering weekly 12noon prayers on a Tuesday, and a prayer zoom on a Thursday pm led by two volunteer members of our church. We started a prayer and worship night called 'The Hour' (7:15-8:15pm) in December 2025 in response to a sense of greater church wide prayer and worship. We send a termly prayer letter to our supporters to update them of prayer request and to inform.

Senior Leadership Team

As a Bishop Mission Order, Oak Church does not have a PCC, like many parish churches, and Trustees hold its governance. However, a senior leadership team of six people from within the community who are actively involved in the day-to-day running of Oak Church, and whom meet every 6-8 weeks with Rev. Adam Prior from support, accountability, vision and strategy holds its pastoral oversight. The SLT has the Chair of Trustees, Safeguarding Lead, Pioneer Minister and four members of the laity from Oak Church on this team.

Youth Community

Youth Community meets weekly on Tuesdays at High Street Methodist Church and incorporates dinner, drop in and discipleship. Attendance varies weekly. Across the year, we engaged with forty-four young people from eight schools and colleges, coming from six of Stevenage's seven neighbourhoods and surrounding villages. Over 40% of these young people live in either Shephall neighbourhood which is in top 10 places in Hertfordshire for deprivation.

As part of Youth Community, we take young people on days out and residential. This year we took young people on local days out for indoor rock climbing, laser tag. We also took them to a retreat centre in Derbyshire, and for an annual summer Christian youth festival called Satellites which occurred at the Royal Bath and West Showground August.

We also offer **Mentoring** to young people. This primarily offered in pairs of youth workers, to each young person. These mentoring sessions occur in coffee houses or local parks, or restaurants over a meal. We receive funding from local charities to enable this work to happen. We also mentor in small groups, where we gather young people in groups of four, which involves playing games consoles, having food, talking and listening to them speak about their lives. Praying for the young people is at the heart of these mentoring sessions.

Open Table

This is a group specifically for young people in school years 11-13; these are young people 16-17 years of age. Open Table is to enable young people who are coming into young adulthood to talk more deeply about their hopes, faith, and to debate with one another how they feel about the world from a faith standpoint. The group occurs monthly and is centred on an evening meal, (hence the name) and is facilitated by three adult leaders. Open Table meets 630-830pm and has a regular attendance of six to eight young people from our youth work.

Mugstop

Mugstop is a project that has been running for ~3 years outside The Coach and Horses Pub. We hand out Hot Chocolate to Secondary Schoolers passing by after school. Our youth Worker leads the project with one youth team volunteer. We server around 40 Youth every

week with more and more regulars sticking around on the seating. We also place card and board games out to enable those who want to have some interaction as well as free hot chocolate.

Young Adult Community

This community is aimed at anyone 18+ and in particular from mid 20s onwards.

Friendships tend to form around pub nights, which are attended by young adults after the 530/430pm Sunday services as well as the monthly young adult community which occurs at the leaders home. Socialising is a big part of this community, and frequent events are often organised. This year there was BBQs, games nights, trips to indoor climbing centre and a long weekend to Bruges in late June sunshine.

Adult Community – we have a number of people who are 25+ in our community, and there is variety of spaces for relationships to grow. One is a monthly pub gathering on the first Wednesday of each month, which has been a great place for relationships between young adults and older adults to grow as many people who attend Oak live across Stevenage and beyond, so coming together socially is important.

Another is Women's Community – this is for women of all ages comprising of socials, small groups, attending national conferences called The Orchard with evenings to socialise, breakfasts in local pubs/Cafes. Women's Community has a WhatsApp group to enable online and in person communication.

Deeper – We started growing deeper in September 2025. It is a fortnightly bible study for adults, with an aim to go deeper into scripture together. Each week we had 4 - 6 people in attendance. From September - December we explored Colossians together. Sessions led by people from within the community.

Worship Jam – This is a termly get together of all those in our church who enjoy worshipping or practicing their instruments.

Overall Oak Community. Our December **statistics** recorded seventy-three people with 58% being under the age of 25 a part of Oaks worshipping community (attending a community or Sunday service month).

Our overall impact (people who recorded as affiliated to Oak Church in our communities who attend Sunday services) is two hundred and thirty-three people with 77% of those people being under the age of 26 years across Stevenage and surrounding villages benefiting from relationship and service.

Outreach

We own a **panna football cage** which is a steel cage used for 2vs2 football. Our cage borrowed by Satellites, a Christian festival attended by three thousand young people.

Schools Work

We restarted our lunchtime work at Thomas Alleyne School with a drop in around emotional health sessions for boys in school years 8 and 9 identified by the school as valuing support. This group led by two members of our youth team.

We ran Radiant and Life at Barnwell school until summer 2025, where we felt inclined to change up our provision, and in so doing we launched SPACE a lunchtime club for boys and girls akin to a 'youth club' feel providing toasties, soft drinks, toast and staffed by four team members. The school have been pleased and surprised with how well it has been attended with an average of 25-30 youth per week, mainly school years 10 and 11.

Relational Youth Worker

In September 2025 we found funding to place one of our team at Barnwell one day per week to help with the schools pastoral needs of its young people. This was the second time we had placed a youth worker at the school, early signs is it is very well received with the Assistant Head Teacher Kat Trebble writing in December 2025 "This academic year, we have been fortunate to have Mark Quarterman supporting our pastoral team every Wednesday. Alongside his mentoring sessions, Mark adds valuable capacity to the team and is happy to support other students on an ad hoc basis when needed".

Sound Lounge

This is a biannual event headed up by a young person from Oak with our youth team; Costa Coffee kindly hosts them. Both summer and Christmas events saw Costa packed out with local young people playing in bands or solo. These evenings are very well received and greatly anticipated by young people and their families alike.

Love Stevenage

Now coordinated by Churches Together in Stevenage, this event is more low key, but no less impactful. Our contribution to Love Stevenage was hosting Sound Lounge. Seven churches were involved.

Wider Church Engagement

As part of Deanery of Stevenage, we participated at the Town wide 'Walk of Witness' on Good Friday providing musicians. We are committed to serving our Deanery, participating in regular Chapter and being a part of Churches Together in Stevenage too.

Our Church leader has extensive relationships outside of Stevenage. This year they enjoyed attending Diocesan retreat at Launde Abbey, New Wine, HTB Focus, Satellite Christian festival and National Youth Ministry Weekend. They are close friends with many youth workers and Clergy across the UK.

Church Mission Partners

Oak Church seeks to give 10% of its tithed income to other churches and missions in the UK and abroad whose values chime with its heart. Last year we supported churches in Luton, national youth ministry in Somerset in particular.

Team

Rev Peter Briggs was ordained Priest in Summer 2025 having been ordained Deacon the year before. Peter share his time with Oak 25%, with a further 75% in another parish.

This year saw some Jodie Laing step down from being Operational Coordinator but remain as safeguarding lead. Adriana Papet was appointed as a replacement in August 2025.

Mark Quarterman was appointed as Relational Youth Worker on a one day per week contract for a year. Laura Perrett remains as our bookkeeper, and Sam Owen as youth worker.

In addition to our paid staff, we greatly benefit from high capacity volunteers in all areas of our church life. These people are central to the growth and sustainability of Oak Church, leading in worship, youth, PA and Sound, IT. Oak has thirty-five people who serve on at least one team in 2025. We believe in team investment and attend the annual National Youth Ministry Weekend for our youth team. We also have one member of our church serve on the Diocesan wide Alban Way discipleship, leadership year.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding remains at the heart of our ministry.

We follow the parish safeguarding parish dashboard rigidly, all our team have annual refresher training, online portal access when needed and with a paid safeguarding lead all disclosures and concerns are actioned with expediency with clear reporting and documentation with password server access. All Church activities have risk assessments and

our Trustees agree every church activity. All our team are up to date with training and DBS. We are committed to excellent safer church practice in all aspects of Oak's life.

Fundraising and Church Mission Partners

The vast majority of Oak's funding comes from outside of Stevenage. Whilst the church does tithe and with gift aid, in 2025 this accrues £43k, same as the previous year. Oak relies on an extensive tapestry of financial support overseen by Church Leader and one of our Trustees. In 2025 we received over £55k in grants, £5.3k from Church Mission Partners, £9.6k from a donor database. Other funding streams included one off gifts and online fundraising. Our Church mission collaborators this year included; St Pauls St Albans, Harvest Church Luton, Holy Trinity Stevenage.

Oak relies on fundraising relationships built up over many years from the beginning by our original fundraiser. This now is a vital network who kindly support and takes extensive work. We received funding this year from St Albans Diocese, Uniqueness (Stevenage based charity with a heart for young people), Local Community Budgets (Stevenage) The Entertainer, Stevenage Community Trust, Henry Smith, Nias Wheatley and Kirby Laing et al.

Financial Reserves

Oak Church aims to have three months of running expenses in the bank as cash. This has fluctuated throughout the year as finances ebb and flow.

Trustee Responsibilities

Trustee Responsibility Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year. We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Annual Report edited 4th May 2026.

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST-OAK CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST ("the charity")

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025 as set out on pages to of the annual report and pages 1-9 of the accounts

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the "2011 Act"). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

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

It is my responsibility to:

- 1) Examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- 2) To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act: and
- 3) To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Although the charity's gross income does not exceed the amount provided in Section 146(3) of the Act, and so your examiner does not have to be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act I nonetheless confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination as a member of the South African Chartered Accountants Society affiliated to the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared accounts in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) in preference to the Accounting Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no matters have come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - b) to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act:
- 2) to which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed DJ Bell

Dated 4/28/2026

Donald Bell B.Com. CA(SA)

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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS								
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2025								
AT 31 DECEMBER								
Notes	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2025	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2024
Incoming Resources								
Donations and Legacies	1 71,354	1,964	42,541	115,859	98,083	0	36,073	134,156
Charitable activities income	2 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Incoming Resources	71,354	1,964	42,541	115,859	98,083	0	36,073	134,156
Resources Expended								
Fund raising	3 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charitable activities costs	4 (74,373)	(1,752)	(41,856)	(117,981)	(97,693)	(5,561)	(4,084)	(107,338)
Total Outgoing Resources	(74,373)	(1,752)	(41,856)	(117,981)	(97,693)	(5,561)	(4,084)	(107,338)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	(3,019)	212	685	(2,122)	390	(5,561)	31,989	26,818
Opening Funds January 1	12,399	(212)	36,843	49,030	12,009	5,349	4,854	22,181
CLOSING FUNDS December 31	9,380	0	37,528	46,908	12,399	(212)	36,843	49,030
BALANCE SHEETS AT 31 DECEMBER								
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2025	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2024
Fixed Assets								
Property	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment	8 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current Assets								
Debtors	9 1,276	0	0	1,276	532	0	0	532
Deposits	30,258	0	0	30,258	0	0	0	0
Cash and Bank	16,806	0	0	16,806	49,402	0	0	49,402
Total Current Assets	48,340	0	0	48,340	49,934			49,934
Creditors	(1,432)	0	0	(1,432)	(904)	0	0	(904)
Assets less Liabilities	46,908	0	0	46,908	49,030	0	0	49,030
Inter Fund balances	(37,528)	0	37,528	0	(36,631)	(212)	36,843	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS	9,380	0	37,528	46,908	12,399	(212)	36,843	49,030
REPRESENTED BY								
Funds	9,380	0	37,528	46,908	12,399	(212)	36,843	49,030

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR TO 31/12/25

	2025	2024
Cash flow from operating activities		
Net cash (used)/gained in operations	(2,338)	36,312
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Net cash outflows from investing	0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(2,338)	36,312
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January	49,402	13,090
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	47,064	49,402
Breakdown A		
Net income per SOFA	(2,122)	26,818
Depreciation charge	0	0
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(744)	8,590
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	528	904
Net Cash used in operating activities	(2,338)	36,312
Breakdown B		
Cash at bank and on hand	47,064	49,402
Total cash and cash equivalents	47,064	49,402

Basis of accounting

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are laid out below.

Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared for the year ending 31st December 2025

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policies below or to the notes to these accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16/7/2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

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

The financial statements are presented in sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

Preparation of the financial statements require the members of the Board and management to make significant judgements and estimates. The items in the financial statements where these judgements and estimates have been made include the useful economic life of tangible fixed assets.

Going Concern

The trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these financial statements. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of these financial statements.

The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet liabilities as they fall due. This is because the charity has sufficient monetary assets, including short term cash deposits, which could be readily realised to meet liabilities should there be an unexpected curtailment of income.

Income

Income is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the funds will be received.

Income comprises donations and income directly related to charitable activities (including grants).

Income (continued)

Gift Aid receivable is included in income where there is a valid tax declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees annual report.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of the resources e.g. per volunteer time spent and other costs by their usage.

Assets

Tangible Fixed Assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £1,000.

Pooled IT equipment is also capitalised. They are valued at cost and depreciated over 3 years.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of Oak Church Stevenage to hold in reserves the equivalent of three months general running costs including salary and housing for staff. Oak Church Stevenage will additionally hold a further three months salary and housing costs for the leader of Oak Church Stevenage.

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS								
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025								
	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024
Note 1 Donations and Legacies								
Donations and Gifts	58,485	1,964	0	60,449	83,956	0	3,200	87,156
Grants	12,869	0	42,541	55,410	14,700	0	32,300	47,000
Total donations, legacies	71,354	1,964	42,541	115,859	98,656	0	35,500	134,156
Note 2 Charitable Activities Income								
Missional outreach income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Charitable Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME	71,354	1,964	42,541	115,859	98,656	0	35,500	134,156
Note 3 Fund Raising Expenditure								
Staff costs	214	0	0	214	0	0	0	0
Total FR Expenditure	214	0	0	214	0	0	0	0
Note 4 Charitable Activity Expenditure								
Missional outreach-direct	(28,198)	(1,752)	(4,029)	(33,979)	(27,884)	0	(3,029)	(30,913)
Missional outreach-support	(3,119)		(656)	(3,775)	(2,779)	0	(656)	(3,435)
	(31,317)	(1,752)	(4,685)	(37,754)	(30,663)	0	(3,685)	(34,348)
Church - Direct	(27,584)	0	(21,000)	(48,584)	(38,808)	0	(4,256)	(43,064)
Church - Support	(18,759)	0	(12,884)	(31,643)	(18,759)	0	(11,167)	(29,926)
	(46,343)	0	(33,884)	(80,227)	(57,567)	0	(15,423)	(72,990)
Total Charitable Expenses	(74,373)	(1,752)	(41,856)	(117,981)	(88,230)	0	(19,108)	(107,338)
Note 5 Support Costs								
Unrestricted								
Staff	0	0	0	61,808	0	0	0	52,330
Team Support	0	0	0	23,285	0	0	0	24,310
Office	0	0	0	13,711	0	0	0	17,649
Total	0	0	0	98,804	0	0	0	94,289
Restricted								
Depreciation of IT Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Support Costs			0	98,804	84,419	9,870	0	94,289
Note 6 Net income/(expenditure)								
After charging								
Salaries & Wages Note 7				32,565				31,107
Depreciation	0	0			0	0		
Note 7 Staff Costs								
Salaries and Wages				28,692				27,558
Social Security Costs				1,291				1,251
Pension Contributions				2,582				2,298
Total Staff Costs				32,565				31,107

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 (continued)

Note 8 Fixed Assets

	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2025	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2024
Cost						
Cost 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Additions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance 31 December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Depreciation						
At 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Charge for year	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Book Value						
At 1st January	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 December	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2,023	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022
Note 9 Debtors						
Due within 1 year						
Gift aid due	1,276	0	1,276	532	0	532
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total at 31 December	1,276	0	1,276	532	0	532
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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 (continued)

Note 10

Restricted Funds

	1/1/2025 Income	Expenditure	12/31/2025	1/1/2024 Income	Expenditure	12/31/2024
Anchor Foundation	0		0	0		0
Yr 4-6 Outreach	500	(157)	343	0	500	500
Cornerstone Football	0		0	0		0
M Bamwell YW sal	0	1,750	1,750	0		0
Blessing Boxes	0		0	0		0
Casley Camp	0		0	0		0
co21 Res	0		0	0		0
Chorley Wood Worship	0		0	0		0
Christmas Meal	0		0	0		0
Cornerstone Diocese Thomas	126	(126)	0	0	200 (74)	126
DBFW St Albans	212		212	0	212	212
Ferrier Road	0		0	0		0
Follet Trust 22,23	1,638	(1,284)	354	616	1,390 (368)	1,638
Gathering Food	163	(163)	0	0	163	163
Holiday at Home	878	39 (917)	0	1,570	0 (692)	878
Groundworks	0		0	89	(89)	0
Hymns Ancient Modern	0		0	3	(3)	0
RYWB Bamwell VHFT	1,321	(1,321)	0	0	5,542	5,542
YO&SC H Smith Grant	4,221	4,759 (3,542)	5,438	0		0
Marriotts Life Radiant	300		300	190	300 (190)	300
Life	0		0	0		0
Love Stevenage	0		0	833	0 (833)	0
Minibus	0		0	0		0
Monday Night Football	0		0	0		0
Mug Stop Old Town	1,210	(680)	530	0	1,210 0	1,210
Neighbourly	1,043	(451)	592	0	1,043 0	1,043
Wheatley TG 3 of 3	0	2,000 (2,000)	0			
Ops/SG	0	5,150 (3,351)	1,799			
Office	0		0	27	(27)	0
Rob Broom Barnwell	0		0	0		0
Rob Broom Boys Night	0		0	0		0
Rob Broom Materials	0		0	0		0
Rob Broom Radiant Snacks	78	(78)	0	0	78 0	78
Radiant TA Stevenage Council	0		0	871	(871)	0
Reaching New People	0		0	0		0
Satellites	474	3,817 (3,568)	723	0	1,000 (526)	474
Saunderson Worship	0		0	406	(406)	0
Scripture Union	0		0	5	(5)	0
Souter Trust (Radiant & Life)	1,949	(729)	1,220	0	1,949	1,949
Sound Lounge 2025	0	222 (222)	0	0		0
UQ Youth Oversight 2025	0	500 (27)	473	0		0
Uniqueness W Café 2025	0	1,000 (27)	973	0		0
Uniqueness Satellites 2025	1,000	(1,000)	0	0	1,000	1,000
Uniqueness YC Tuesdays	1,500	1,256 (1,391)	1,365	0	1,500	1,500
Uniqueness Feb Youth 2025	1,360	420 (1,780)	0	0	1,360	1,360
UQ Training Tmembers 2025	0	1,500 (19)	1,481	0		0
Womens Community	0	500	500	0		0
Youth Outreach H Smith Grant	15,965	18,241 (15,550)	18,656	0	15,965 0	15,965
Youth Community Games	1,771	508 (2,409)	(130)	0	1,771 0	1,771
Youth Community Squash	134	(52)	82	0	134	134
Youth Follett 24	1,000		1,000	244	756	1,000
Youth Residential	0	879 (1,012)	(133)	0		0
			0			
Total	36,843	42,541 (41,856)	37,528	4,854	36,073 (4,084)	36,843

Note 10 Restricted accounts (continued)

Archbishops Council	Funding for Girls Youth work zoo trip
Anchor Foundation	Funding for parent and tot community
Bentley Mission	Weekend trip to support a church in Bentley with Outreach
Birmingham Road Trip	Excursion to Birmingham with Youth Group
Blessing Boxes	Funding for Community Aid/Covid focus
Chorley Wood	Funding for Worship Coordinators salary and costs
Christmas Meal	Funding for Christmas celebration
DBFW St Albans	Funding from the Diocese of St Albans
Ferrier Road	Accommodation for staff and volunteers
Festivals	For taking young people to Soul Survivor festival
Follett Trust	Funding for Youth Work
Gary Grants Youth Worker Salary	Funding for Youth Workers Salary
Groundworks	Funding towards starting a project to support parents and carers of young people with mental health problems
Hymns Ancient & Modern	Worship expenses
Life	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Mens Night Football	Mens Monday night football project - outreach
Neighbourly	Funding for Community Work
New Court	Church reopening after Covid
R B Barnwell	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Boys nights	Funding for Stevenage wide boys youth nights
R B Radiant Materials	Materials for girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Radiant Snacks	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant TA Stevenage Councils	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant Youth Work	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Saturday Celebration	Celebration for Saturday
Saunders Worship	Funding to take young people to Festivals
Scripture Union	Funding for our children and Family service
Verulam Trust	Radiant work with girls
Youth Community	Youth Community food
Youth Community games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Squash	Funding for Squash
Youth Follett	Funding for Youth Work
Worship 2021	Worship Funding in 2021

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 (continued)

Note 11

Designated Funds

	01/01/25 Income	Expenditure	31/12/25	01/01/24 Income	Expenditure	12/31/2024
All Churches Trust	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aspire Drapes	0	0	0	565	0	(565)
Birmingham Road Trip	0	0	0	0	0	0
Life	0	0	0	750	0	(750)
Radiant	0	0	0	583	0	(583)
Isolation	0	0	0	29	0	(29)
Love Stevenage	0	0	0	97	0	(97)
Minibus	0	0	0	29	0	(29)
Naomi salary VHFT	0	0	0	586	0	(586)
Oak Pastoral Fund	0	0	0	197	0	(197)
Oak Tree Action	0	0	0	9	0	(9)
RH Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0
RH Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
Give away 10%	(212)	212	0	0	0	(212)
Saunderson Festivals	0	0	0	56	0	(56)
Saunderson Training	0	0	0	136	0	(136)
Saunderson Radiant	0	0	0	250	0	(250)
Uniqueness (salary)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Urban Action Trust	0	0	0	500	0	(500)
Youth Community	0	0	0	1,562	0	(1,562)
			0			0
Totals	(212)	212	0	5,349	0	(5,561)
						(212)

Aspires Drapes	Funding for Luxuries
Birmingham Road Trip	Trip to Birmingham with youth
Isolation	Funding for People isolating in Covid
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Naomi Salary	Outreach salary
Oak Tree Action	Worship Salary
RH Salaries	Salaries
RH Services	Services
Satellites	Summer Festival
Saunderson Festivals	Funding to take youth to Festivals
Saunderson Training	Staff training
Saunderson Radiant	Support for girls emotional health
Urban Action Trust	Youth Work
Uniqueness	Funding for Stevenage schools Youth Work
Youth Community	Funds to support youth Community

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST

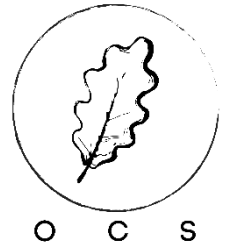
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Oak Church Stevenage/Stevenage Pioneer Youth Trust Report

For the Year ending 31st December 2024

Charity inauguration 12th January 2016.

Governing document: Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) who's only voting members are its charity trustees – issued by Anthony Collins Solicitors.

Charity Number: 1165138

TRUSTEES

Revd Tim Horlock

Venerable Revd Dave Middlebrook

Revd Charles Burch

Kerry Louw (Chair from 1st January 2024).

Office

High Street Methodist Church

Sish Lane

Stevenage

SG1 3LS

Charity Purposes

The purposes of Oak Church Stevenage are for the advancement of the Christian faith in Stevenage, its surrounding villages and other parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the charity Trustees may decide from time to time.

In planning the activities, the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Governance

Trustees who meet regularly to review activities govern Oak Church Stevenage. Day to day leadership about operations delegated to the church leader and associated lay leadership teams. The existing trustees and the church leader appoint new trustees.

Main Activities

Oak Church's vision remains as a multigenerational community who seek to enable young people to encounter Jesus Christ and go on a lifelong adventure with him. We undertake this vision in a variety of ways with a high emphasis on relationship and creating safe places for people to explore faith in Jesus Christ.

Oak Church operates under a missional rhythm of Gathering, Community and Outreach. A summary of activities within this rhythm below.

Gathering – Central spaces for multigenerational worshipping community to gather.

Sunday 4pm Oak but Earlier with explanation of starting of 430pm.

The 4pm is a fortnightly service to build community and faith expression amongst children and younger families. It has met 2x monthly every month since its inception in 2016. It has seen a steady stream of regular families with some growth from a historic Parent and Tot community group. A lay leadership team with support from paid staff and the church leader leads it. In October 2024, we changed up our Sundays and reverted to one service, combining the 4pm with the 5:30pm. This became a weekly 430pm. Early signs have been positive, attendances increasing and relationships building between the communities.

5.30pm service with explanation of starting of 430pm.

The 530pm weekly service aims to steer toward young people and young adults, although is multigenerational. It meets at High Street Methodist Church. The service has a weekly café, which has become more of a 'High Tea' and we have noticed this is a significant draw for people especially as it is completely free. The service style is contemporary led worship, gospel centred talk, welcome and offering of prayer ministry. Being the only evening service in Stevenage, it attracts a wide demographic of people, young, young adult, middle aged and children. We have an ad-hoc detached team who have relevant safeguarding training and DBS certification. In the summer, we run stripped back indoor and outdoor services. Numbers average around mid-30s, over 60% are under the age of 25.

In October 2024, we morphed the 4pm and 530pm into one service, but each Sunday had a different feel. Week 1 and 3 remained more around a 'conventional' Sunday of worship, talk, café, prayer ministry. Week 2 is a family meal, and week 4 a family service, with an emphasis on board games, soft play, a meal and centrality of children and young families.

Prayer Meetings

Oak Church prioritizes the importance of prayer with offering weekly 12noon prayers on a Tuesday, and a prayer zoom on a Thursday pm led by two volunteer members of our church. We also have ad-hoc prayer and worship evenings. We have the privilege of an external list of people who pray for our mission and we write prayer letters 4-5x per year send on mail chimp to keep them updated of our work.

Senior Leadership Team

As a Bishop Mission Order, Oak Church does not have a PCC, like many parish churches, and Trustees hold its governance. However, a senior leadership team of six people from within the community who are actively involved in the day-to-day running of Oak Church, and whom meet every 6-8 weeks with Rev. Adam Prior from support, accountability, vision and strategy holds its pastoral oversight. The SLT has the Chair of Trustees, Safeguarding Lead, Pioneer Minister and 3 members of the laity from Oak Church on this team.

Youth Community

Youth Community meets weekly on Tuesdays at High Street Methodist Church and incorporates dinner, drop in and discipleship. Attendance varies weekly. Across the year, we engaged with fifty-two young people from eight schools and colleges, coming from six of Stevenage's seven neighbourhoods and surrounding villages. Over 40% of these young people live in either Bedwell or Shephall neighbourhoods; both are in top 10 places in Hertfordshire for deprivation.

As part of Youth Community, we take young people on days out and residential. This year we took young people on local days out for ice cream, Nando meals and a local Scout camp for outdoor activities. We also took them to an annual summer Christian youth festival called Satellites. This occurred at the Royal Bath and West Showground in Somerset in August.

We also offer **Mentoring** to young people. This primarily offered in pairs of youth workers, to each young person. These mentoring sessions occur in coffee houses or local parks, or restaurants over a meal. We receive funding from local charities to enable this work to happen. We also mentor in small groups, where we gather young people in groups of four, which involves playing games consoles, having food, talking and listening to them speak about their lives. Praying for the young people is at the heart of these mentoring sessions.

Open Table

This is a group specifically for young people in school years 11-13; these are young people 16-17 years of age. Open Table is to enable young people who are coming into young adulthood to talk more deeply about their hopes, faith, and to debate with one another how they feel about the world from a faith standpoint. The group occurs monthly and is

centred on an evening meal, (hence the name) and is facilitated by three adult leaders. Open Table meets 630-830pm and has a regular attendance of six to eight young people from our youth work.

Mugstop

Every Tuesday afternoon come rain or shine, Oak Churches team give out free hot chocolate and biscuits to young people from three secondary schools walking home. Friendships are being built, and the team have been present in all weathers, from snow and ice, torrential rain to 30+ degrees. It is a privilege to stand on the High Street and offer this every week in term time and it remains a key part of our youth work.

Young Adult Community

This community is aimed at anyone 18+ and in particular from mid 20s onwards. Friendships tend to form around pub nights, which are attended by young adults after the 530/430pm Sunday services as well as the monthly young adult community which occurs at the leaders home. Socialising is a big part of this community, and frequent events are often organised. This year there was BBQ has games nights and a New Years Party. Going away as a community is as important as taking young people away, this year, young adults partook in a couple of road trips in 2024, most notably to Paris over May Bank Holiday weekend.

Adult Community – we have a number of people who are 25+ in our community, and there is variety of spaces for relationships to grow. One is a monthly pub gathering on the first Wednesday of each month, which has been a great place for relationships between young adults and older adults to grow as many people who attend Oak live across Stevenage and beyond, so coming together socially is important.

Another is Women's Community – birthed in 2022, we have seen an increase of this year. Throughout 2024, we have seen Women's Community gather socially and spiritually. Some highlights have been breakfasts, pub nights, Christmas Meal with Secret Santa and a 24-hour retreat to a national conference in October. Women's Community has a WhatsApp group so this enables online and in person communication.

Overall Oak Community. Our December **statistics** recorded seventy-nine people with 60% being under the age of 25 a part of Oaks worshipping community (attending a community or Sunday service month). This is slightly down on December 2023. Possible reasons where a few families moving on, this amounted to fifteen people less than 2023. However, our overall impact (people who recorded as affiliated to Oak Church in our communities who attend Sunday services) is up on December 2023, with over two hundred and sixty people across Stevenage and surrounding villages benefiting from relationship and service. This is a 20% rise on December 2023. Possible explanations include a change in the frequency people attend churches and how a vast proportion of our work is community and outreach focussed and delivered.

Outreach

We own a **panna football cage** which is a steel cage used for 2vs2 football. We took our cage into local schools in the summer of 2024 as Euros televised and people were 'football mad'. Our cage borrowed by Satellites, a Christian festival attended by three thousand young people. The transporting of the cage enabling us to have some reduced price tickets to attend the festival with our youth.

Schools Work

We restarted our lunchtime work at Thomas Alleyne School with a drop in around emotional health sessions for boys in school years 8 and 9 identified by the school as valuing support. This group led by two members of our youth team.

We continue to run Radiant at Barnwell School, a group aimed at younger teenage girls to talk about emotional health. This has gained good traction and highly valued. Life, our lunchtime group for year nine boys came to an end in July 2024, and a new group of year eight boys began in September 2024 – the focus remains on helping them dialogue on around emotional health. Football for year 11s also restarted in summer 2024, a detached project of presence at Barnwell, playing football and distributing encouragements and free drinks alongside their PE staff.

Holiday at Home

Summer 2024 was significant with our work at Barnwell School as we ran our first 'holiday at home' event enabling two days of activities for young people in our schools work at Barnwell alongside our youth community. The school waived any fee to hire their premises, and we had a group of ten people attend both days including making model planes, sports, and enjoying indoor laser tag.

Sound Lounge

This is a biannual event headed up by a young person from Oak with our youth team; Costa Coffee kindly hosts them. Our Christmas event saw five young people perform, invite friends and saw a full house, taking over £300 in coffee sales.

Love Stevenage

Now coordinated by Churches Together in Stevenage, this event is more low key, but no less impactful. Our contribution to Love Stevenage was hosting Sound Lounge. Seven churches were involved.

Wider Church Engagement

As part of Deanery of Stevenage, we participated at the Town wide 'Walk of Witness' on Good Friday providing musicians. We are committed to serving our Deanery, participating in regular Chapter and being a part of Churches Together in Stevenage too.

Our Church leader has extensive relationships outside of Stevenage. This year they enjoyed attending Diocesan retreat, New Wine and Focus Christian festivals, national youth ministry weekend. They are close friends with many youth workers and Clergy across the UK.

Church Mission Partners

Oak Church seeks to give 10% of its tithed income to other churches and missions in the UK and abroad whose values chime with its heart. We churches across the UK.

Team

In summer 2024, Oak Church was granted its first Curate, Rev. Peter Briggs placed at Oak 25%, with a further 75% in another parish. This year saw some staff members move on. Greg Corbett left his role as Worship Pastor and Youth Worker after six years. Lindsey O'Neil stepped down from being Bookkeeper, and Naomi Mc Bride stepped down as Assistant Youth Worker after three years.

Laura Perrett our former Operations Coordinator returned as bookkeeper, and Sam Owen who had been a volunteer youth worker became our paid youth and community worker on a three-year contract.

Jodie Laing took on a more fulsome role in coordinating our Sunday service teams as well as Office Manager and Safeguarding Lead.

In addition to our paid staff, we greatly benefit from high capacity volunteers in all areas of our church life. These people are central to the growth and sustainability of Oak Church, leading in worship, youth, PA and Sound, IT. Oak has thirty-eight people who serve on at least one team in 2024. We believe in team investment and attend the annual National Youth Ministry Weekend for our youth team, and support Alban Way, a discipleship, leadership year for those in their 20s who also volunteer at Oak.

Houses

In July 2024, we ceased renting both team houses, which have underpinned much of Oaks life. Ferrier Road remains a team house in one regard, as this is the home of Rev. Peter Briggs and his wife. However, our shared team home of 413 Scarborough Avenue, which we had rented for ten years stopped this July. Our Trustees place on record great thanks to Holy Trinity Stevenage for their huge support of Oak Church over this decade.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding remains at the heart of our ministry. The learning for the Church of England is eagerly anticipated with the Scolding Report post Mike Pilavachi enquiry.

We follow the parish safeguarding parish dashboard rigidly, all our team have annual refresher training, online portal access when needed and with a paid safeguarding lead all disclosures and concerns are actioned with expediency with clear reporting and documentation with password server access. All Church activities have risk assessments and our Trustees agree every church activity. All our team are up to date with training and DBS. We are committed to excellent safer church practice in all aspects of Oak's life.

Fundraising and Church Mission Partners

The vast majority of Oak's funding comes from outside of Stevenage. Whilst the church does tithe and with gift aid, this accrues around £43k, Oak relies on an extensive tapestry of financial support overseen by Church Leader and one of our Trustees. We receive streams of income from Church Mission Partners, a donor database, funding grants, fundraising events, and eBay and occasional gifts. Our Church mission collaborators this year included; St Pauls St Albans, St Peters Stevenage and Holy Trinity Stevenage.

Our outgoing Fundraiser built up a strong network of charity supporters and this network with others continue to support today. We received funding this year from Verulam House Trust, St Albans Diocese, Stevenage Borough Council, Uniqueness (Stevenage based charity with a heart for young people), Neighbourly, Local Community Budgets (Stevenage) The Entertainer, Marks and Spencer's Community fund, Henry Smith, Jerusalem Trust, Nias Wheatley and Kirby Laing et al.

Financial Reserves

Oak Church aims to have three months of running expenses in the bank as cash. This has fluctuated throughout the year as finances ebb and flow.

Trustee Responsibilities

Trustee Responsibility Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year. We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with

reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST-OAK CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST ("the charity")

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 as set out on pages to of the annual report and pages 1-9 of the accounts

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the "2011 Act"). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

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

It is my responsibility to:

- 1) Examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- 2) To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act: and
- 3) To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Although the charity's gross income does not exceed the amount provided in Section 146(3) of the Act, and so your examiner does not have to be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act I nonetheless confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination as a member of the South African Chartered Accountants Society affiliated to the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared accounts in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) in preference to the Accounting Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no matters have come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - b) to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act:
- 2) to which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed DJ Bell

Dated 9/21/2025

Donald Bell B.Com. CA(SA)

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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS									
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2024									
AT 31 DECEMBER									
Notes	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2024	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2023	
Incoming Resources									
Donations and Legacies	1	98,083	0	36,073	134,156	123,213	5,336	5,301	133,850
Charitable activities income	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Incoming Resources		98,083	0	36,073	134,156	123,213	5,336	5,301	133,850
Resources Expended									
Fund raising	3					(7,298)	0	0	(7,298)
Charitable activities costs	4	(97,693)	(5,561)	(4,084)	(107,338)	(121,411)	(3,798)	(1,312)	(126,521)
Total Outgoing Resources		(97,693)	(5,561)	(4,084)	(107,338)	(128,709)	(3,798)	(1,312)	(133,819)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		390	(5,561)	31,989	26,818	(5,496)	1,538	3,989	31
Opening Funds January 1		12,009	5,349	4,854	22,212	17,505	3,811	865	22,181
CLOSING FUNDS December 31		12,399	(212)	36,843	49,030	12,009	5,349	4,854	22,212
BALANCE SHEETS AT 31 DECEMBER									
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2024	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2023	
Fixed Assets									
Property		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fixed Assets		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current Assets									
Debtors	9	532	0	0	532	9,122	0	0	9,122
Deposits		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash and Bank		49,402	0	0	49,402	13,090	0	0	13,090
Total Current Assets		49,934			49,934	22,212			22,212
Creditors		(904)	0	0	(904)	0	0	0	0
Assets less Liabilities		49,030	0	0	49,030	22,212	0	0	22,212
Inter Fund balances		(36,631)	(212)	36,843	0	(4,676)	3,811	865	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS		12,399	(212)	36,843	49,030	17,536	3,811	865	22,212
REPRESENTED BY									
Funds		12,399	(212)	36,843	49,030	17,536	3,811	865	22,212
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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR TO 31/12/24

	2024	2023
Cash flow from operating activities		
Net cash (used)/gained in operations	36,312	(9,091)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Net cash outflows from investing	0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents	36,312	(9,091)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January	13,090	22,181
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	49,402	13,090
Breakdown A		
Net income per SOFA	26,818	(4,469)
Depreciation charge	0	0
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	8,590	(4,622)
(Increase)/Decrease in creditors	904	0
Net Cash used in operating activities	36,312	(9,091)
Breakdown B		
Cash at bank and on hand	49,402	13,090
Total cash and cash equivalents	49,402	13,090

Basis of accounting

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are laid out below.

Basis of preparation

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The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet liabilities as they fall due. This is because the charity has sufficient monetary assets, including short term cash deposits, which could be readily realised to meet liabilities should there be an unexpected curtailment of income.

Income

Income is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the funds will be received.

Income comprises donations and income directly related to charitable activities (including grants).

Income (continued)

Gift Aid receivable is included in income where there is a valid tax declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees annual report.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of the resources e.g. per volunteer time spent and other costs by their usage.

Assets

Tangible Fixed Assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £1,000.

Pooled IT equipment is also capitalised. They are valued at cost and depreciated over 3 years.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of Oak Church Stevenage to hold in reserves the equivalent of three months general running costs including salary and housing for staff. Oak Church Stevenage will additionally hold a further three months salary and housing costs for the leader of Oak Church Stevenage.

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS								
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024								
	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023
Note 1 Donations and Legacies								
Donations and Gifts	83,956	0	3,200	87,156	72,051	1,537	1,215	74,803
Grants	14,700	0	32,300	47,000	51,162	3,799	4,086	59,047
Total donations, legacies	98,656	0	35,500	134,156	123,213	5,336	5,301	133,850
Note 2 Charitable Activities Income								
Missional outreach income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Charitable Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME	98,656	0	35,500	134,156	123,213	5,336	5,301	133,850
Note 3 Fund Raising Expenditure								
Staff costs	0	0	0	0	(7,298)	0	0	(7,298)
Total FR Expenditure	0	0	0	0	(7,298)	0	0	(7,298)
Note 4 Charitable Activity Expenditure								
Missional outreach-direct	(27,884)	0	(3,029)	(30,913)	(31,174)	(3,449)	(939)	(35,562)
Missional outreach-support	(2,779)	0	(656)	(3,435)	(3,056)	(349)	(373)	(3,778)
	(30,663)	0	(3,685)	(34,348)	(34,230)	(3,798)	(1,312)	(39,340)
Church - Direct	(38,808)	0	(4,256)	(43,064)	(51,350)	0	0	(51,350)
Church - Support	(18,759)	0	(11,167)	(29,926)	(35,831)	0	0	(35,831)
	(57,567)	0	(15,423)	(72,990)	(87,181)			(87,181)
Total Charitable Expenses	(88,230)	0	(19,108)	(107,338)	(121,411)	(3,798)	(1,312)	(126,521)
Note 5 Support Costs								
	Missional Outreach	Church	Grants	Total 2023	Missional Outreach	Church	Grants	Total 2022
Unrestricted								
Staff	49,452	5,495	0	52,330	47,097	5,233	0	52,330
Team Support	22,973	2,553	0	24,310	21,879	2,431	0	24,310
Office	16,215	2,316	0	17,649	15,443	2,206	0	16,809
Total	88,640	10,364	0	94,289	80,399	9,400	0	89,799
Restricted								
Depreciation of IT Equipment	0	0	0	0	(360)	(40)		(400)
Total	0	0	0	0	(360)	(40)		(400)
Total Support Costs	84,419	9,870	0	94,289	80,039	9,360	0	89,399
Note 6 Net income/(expenditure)								
After charging								
Salaries & Wages Note 7				31,107				42,648
Depreciation	0	0			0	0	0	0
Note 7 Staff Costs								
Salaries and Wages				27,558				37,879
Social Security Costs				1,251				1,516
Pension Contributions				2,298				3,253
Total Staff Costs				31,107				42,648

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

Note 8 Fixed Assets

	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2024	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2023
Cost						
Cost 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Additions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance 31 December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Depreciation						
At 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Charge for year	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Book Value						
At 1st January	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 December	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2,023	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022
Note 9 Debtors						
Due within 1 year						
Gift aid due	532	0	532	9,122	0	9122
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total at 31 December	532	0	532	9,122	0	9122
	Collected in full by 31/05/24					

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

Note 10

Restricted Funds

	1/1/2024 Income Expenditure			12/31/2024	1/1/2023 Income Expenditure			12/31/2023
Anchor Foundation	0			0	0	0	0	0
After School Drop in/Homework	0	500		500	0			0
Cornerstone Football???	0			0	0			0
Birmingham Road Trip	0			0	0			0
Blessing Boxes	0			0	0			0
Casley Camp	0			0	0			0
co21 Res	0			0	0			0
Chorley Wood Worship	0			0	0			0
Christmas Meal	0			0	0			0
Cornerstone Football	0	200	(74)	126	0			0
DBFW St Albans	0	212		212	0			0
Ferrier Road	0			0	0			0
Follet Trust	616	1,390	(368)	1,638	1	1,000	(385)	616
Gathering Food	0	163		163	0			0
Holiday at Home	1,570	0	(692)	878	0	1,570		1,570
Groundworks	89		(89)	0	89			89
Hymns Ancient Modern	3		(3)	0	3			3
Jodie H Smith Grant	0	5,542		5,542	0			0
SBC Karaoke Worship Nights	0			0	0			0
LCB Radiant Snacks	190	300	(190)	300	0	300	(110)	190
Life	0			0	0			0
Love Stevenage	833	0	(833)	0	0	1,110	(277)	833
Minibus	0			0	0			0
Monday Night Football	0			0	0			0
Mug Stop Old Town	0	1,210	0	1,210	0			0
Neighbourly	0	1,043	0	1,043	90	450	(540)	0
Office	27		(27)	0	27			27
Rob Broom Barnwell	0			0	0			0
Rob Broom Boys Night	0			0	0			0
Rob Broom Materials	0			0	0			0
Rob Broom Radiant Snacks	0	78	0	78	0			0
Radiant TA Stevenage Council	871		(871)	0	0	871		871
Reaching New People	0			0	0			0
Satellites	0	1,000	(526)	474	0			0
Saunderson Worship	406		(406)	0	406			406
Scripture Union	5		(5)	0	5			5
Souter Trust (Radiant & Life)	0	1,949		1,949	0			0
St Albans Diocese Worship	0			0	0			0
Transforming Lives	0			0	0			0
University of Herts	0			0	0			0
Uniqueness Satellites 2025	0	1,000		1,000	0			0
Uniqueness YC Tuesdays	0	1,500		1,500				
Uniqueness Feb Youth 2025	0	1,360		1,360				
Urban Action Trust	0			0	0			0
Verulam Trust	0			0	0			0
Youth Outreach H Smith Grant	0	15,965	0	15,965	0			0
Youth Community Games	0	1,771	0	1,771	0			0
Youth Community Squash	0	134		134	0			0
Youth Follett	244	756		1,000	244			244
Worship 2021	0			0	0			0
				0				0
Total	4.854	36.073	(4.084)	36.843	865	5.301	(1.312)	4.854

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)
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Note 10 Restricted accounts (continued)

Archbishops Council	Funding for Girls Youth work zoo trip
Anchor Foundation	Funding for parent and tot community
Bentley Mission	Weekend trip to support a church in Bentley with Outreach
Birmingham Road Trip	Excursion to Birmingham with Youth Group
Blessing Boxes	Funding for Community Aid/Covid focus
Chorley Wood	Funding for Worship Coordinators salary and costs
Christmas Meal	Funding for Christmas celebration
DBFW St Albans	Funding from the Diocese of St Albans
Ferrier Road	Accommodation for staff and volunteers
Festivals	For taking young people to Soul Survivor festival
Follett Trust	Funding for Youth Work
Gary Grants Youth Worker Salary	Funding for Youth Workers Salary
Groundworks	Funding towards starting a project to support parents and carers of young people with mental health problems
Hymns Ancient & Modern	Worship expenses
Life	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Mens Night Football	Mens Monday night football project - outreach
Neighbourly	Funding for Community Work
New Court	Church reopening after Covid
R B Barnwell	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Boys nights	Funding for Stevenage wide boys youth nights
R B Radiant Materials	Materials for girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Radiant Snacks	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant TA Stevenage Councils	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant Youth Work	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Saturday Celebration	Celebration for Saturday
Saunders Worship	Funding to take young people to Festivals
Scripture Union	Funding for our children and Family service
Verulam Trust	Radiant work with girls
Youth Community	Youth Community food
Youth Community games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Squash	Funding for Squash
Youth Follett	Funding for Youth Work
Worship 2021	Worship Funding in 2021

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

Note 11

Designated Funds

Note 11	Designated Funds							
	01/01/24 Income Expenditure			31/12/24	01/01/23 Income Expenditure			12/31/2023
All Churches Trust	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aspire Drapes	565	0	(565)	0	565	0	0	565
Birmingham Road Trip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Life	750	0	(750)	0	750	0	0	750
Radiant	583	0	(583)	0	583	0	0	583
Isolation	29	0	(29)	0	29	0	0	29
Love Stevenage	97	0	(97)	0	0	1,099	(1,002)	97
Minibus	29	0	(29)	0	0	650	(621)	29
Naomi salary VHFT	586	0	(586)	0	586	0	0	586
Oak Pastoral Fund	197	0	(197)	0	197	0	0	197
Oak Tree Action	9	0	(9)	0	9	0	0	9
RH Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RH Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Give away 10%	0	0	(212)	(212)	0	0	0	0
Saunderson Festivals	56	0	(56)	0	56	0	0	56
Saunderson Training	136	0	(136)	0	136	0	0	136
Saunderson Radiant	250	0	(250)	0	250	0	0	250
Uniqueness (salary)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Urban Action Trust	500	0	(500)	0	500	0	0	500
Youth Community	1,562	0	(1,562)	0	150	3,587	(2,175)	1,562
				0				0
Totals	5,349	0	(5,561)	(212)	3,811	5,336	(3,798)	5,349

Aspires Drapes	Funding for Luxuries
Birmingham Road Trip	Trip to Birmingham with youth
Isolation	Funding for People isolating in Covid
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Naomi Salary	Outreach salary
Oak Tree Action	Worship Salary
RH Salaries	Salaries
RH Services	Services
Satellites	Summer Festival
Saunderson Festivals	Funding to take youth to Festivals
Saunderson Training	Staff training
Saunderson Radiant	Support for girls emotional health
Urban Action Trust	Youth Work
Uniqueness	Funding for Stevenage schools Youth Work
Youth Community	Funds to support youth Community

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST-OAK CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST ("the charity")

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 as set out on pages to of the annual report and pages 1-9 of the accounts

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the "2011 Act"). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

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

It is my responsibility to:

- 1) Examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- 2) To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act: and
- 3) To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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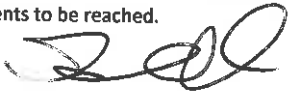
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Signed DJ Bell



Dated 21/09/2025

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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST

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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST-OAK CHURCH

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Dated 16/09/2024

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	STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS								
	STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2023								
	AT 31 DECEMBER								
	Notes	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2023	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2022
Incoming Resources									
Donations and Legacies	1	123,213	5,336	5,301	133,850	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,673
Charitable activities income	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Incoming Resources		123,213	5,336	5,301	133,850	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,673
Resources Expended									
Fund raising	3	(7,298)	0	0	(7,298)	(8,353)	0	0	(8,353)
Charitable activities costs	4	(121,411)	(3,798)	(1,312)	(126,521)	(99,055)	(13,119)	(11,519)	(123,693)
Total Outgoing Resources		(128,709)	(3,798)	(1,312)	(133,819)	(107,408)	(13,119)	(11,519)	(132,046)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(5,496)	1,538	3,989	31	(5,552)	740	(2,561)	(7,373)
Opening Funds January 1		17,505	3,811	865	22,181	23,057	3,071	3,426	29,554
CLOSING FUNDS December 31		12,009	5,349	4,854	22,212	17,505	3,811	865	22,181
		BALANCE SHEETS AT 31 DECEMBER							
		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2023	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2022
Fixed Assets									
Property		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fixed Assets		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current Assets									
Debtors	9	9,122	0	0	9,122	4,500	0	0	4,500
Deposits		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash and Bank		13,090	0	0	13,090	17,681	0	0	17,681
Total Current Assets		22,212			22,212	22,181	0	0	22,181
Creditors		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assets less Liabilities		22,212	0	0	22,212	22,181	0	0	22,181
Inter Fund balances		(10,203)	5,349	4,854	0	(4,676)	3,811	865	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS		12,009	5,349	4,854	22,212	17,505	3,811	865	22,181
REPRESENTED BY									
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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR TO 31/12/23

	2023	2022
Cash flow from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities	(9,091)	(8,381)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Net cash outflows from investing	0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(9,091)	(8,381)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January	22,181	30,562
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	13,090	22,181
Breakdown A		
Net income per SOFA	(4,469)	(7,373)
Depreciation charge	0	0
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(4,622)	(2,016)
(Increase)/Decrease in creditors	0	1,008
Net Cash used in operating activities	(9,091)	(8,381)
Breakdown B		
Cash at bank and on hand	13,090	17,681
Total cash and cash equivalents	13,090	17,681

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Going Concern

The trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these financial statements. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of these financial statements.

The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet liabilities as they fall due. This is because the charity has sufficient monetary assets, including short term cash deposits, which could be readily realised to meet liabilities should there be an unexpected curtailment of income.

Income

Income is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the funds will be received.

Income comprises donations and income directly related to charitable activities (including grants).

Income (continued)

Gift Aid receivable is included in income where there is a valid tax declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees annual report.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of the resources e.g. per volunteer time spent and other costs by their usage.

Assets

Tangible Fixed Assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £1,000.

Pooled IT equipment is also capitalised. They are valued at cost and depreciated over 3 years.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of Oak Church Stevenage to hold in reserves the equivalent of three months general running costs including salary and housing for staff. Oak Church Stevenage will additionally hold a further three months salary and housing costs for the leader of Oak Church Stevenage.

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS								
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023								
	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022
Note 1 Donations and Legacies								
Donations and Gifts	72,051	1,537	1,215	74,803	59,562	3,991	2,054	65,607
Grants	51,162	3,799	4,086	59,047	42,294	9,868	6,904	59,066
Total donations, legacies	123,213	5,336	5,301	133,850	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,763
Note 2 Charitable Activities Income								
Missional outreach income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Charitable Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME	123,213	5,336	5,301	133,850	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,763
Note 3 Fund Raising Expenditure								
Staff costs	(7,298)	0	0	(7,298)	(8,353)	0	0	(8,353)
Total FR Expenditure	(7,298)	0	0	(7,298)	(8,353)	0	0	(8,353)
Note 4 Charitable Activity Expenditure								
Missional outreach-direct	(31,174)	(3,449)	(939)	(35,562)	(21,095)	(8,746)	(4,693)	(34,534)
Missional outreach-support	(3,056)	(349)	(373)	(3,778)	(1,085)	(4,373)	(869)	(6,327)
	(34,230)	(3,798)	(1,312)	(39,340)	(22,180)	(13,119)	(5,562)	(40,861)
Church - Direct	(51,350)	0	0	(51,350)	(43,373)	0	(5,415)	(48,788)
Church - Support	(35,831)	0	0	(35,831)	(33,502)	0	(542)	(36,344)
	(87,181)			(87,181)	(76,875)	0	(5,957)	(82,832)
Total Charitable Expenses	(121,411)	(3,798)	(1,312)	(126,521)	(99,055)	(13,119)	(11,519)	(123,693)
Note 5 Support Costs								
	Missional Outreach	Church	Grants	Total 2023	Missional Outreach	Church	Grants	Total 2022
Unrestricted								
Staff	49,452	5,495	0	52,330	47,097	5,233	0	52,330
Team Support	22,973	2,553	0	24,310	21,879	2,431	0	24,310
Office	16,215	2,316	0	17,649	15,443	2,206	0	16,809
Total	88,640	10,364	0	94,289	80,399	9,400	0	89,799
Restricted								
Depreciation of IT Equipment	0	0	0	0	(360)	(40)		(400)
Total	0	0	0	0	(360)	(40)		(400)
Total Support Costs	84,419	9,870	0	94,289	80,039	9,360	0	89,399
Note 6 Net income/(expenditure)								
After charging								
Salaries & Wages Note 7				42,648				49,838
Depreciation	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
Note 7 Staff Costs								
Salaries and Wages				37,879				44,265
Social Security Costs				1,516				1,771
Pension Contributions				3,253				3,802
Total Staff Costs				42,648				49,838

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

Note 8 Fixed Assets

	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2023	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2022
Cost						
Cost 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Additions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance 31 December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Depreciation						
At 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Charge for year	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Book Value						
At 1st January	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 December	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2,023	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022
Note 9 Debtors						
Due within 1 year						
Gift aid due	9,122	0	9,122	4,500	0	4500
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total at 31 December	9,122	0	9,122	4,500	0	4500
	Collected in full by 31/05/24					

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

Note 10

Restricted Funds

	01/01/2023	Income	Expenditure	31/12/2023	01/01/2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	31/12/2022
Anchor Foundation	0	0	0	0	0	0	(954)	954	0
Archbishops Council	0			0	0	0	(221)	221	0
Aspire Drapes	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Birmingham Road Trip	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Blessing Boxes	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Casley Camp	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
co21 Res	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Chorley Wood Worship	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Christmas Meal	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Cornerstone Football	0			0	0	0	(151)	151	0
DBFW St Albans	0			0	0	1,170	(2,093)	923	0
Ferrier Road	0			0	0	5,788	(5,876)	88	0
Follet Trust	1	1,000	(385)	616	836	0	(375)	(460)	1
Gary Grant Youth Worker Salary	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Gift for Training	0	1,570		1,570	0	0	0	0	0
Groundworks	89			89	128	0	(39)	0	89
Hymns Ancient Modern	3			3	46	0	0	(43)	3
Isolation	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
SBC Karaoke Worship Nights	0			0	0	0	(18)	18	0
LCB Radiant Snacks	0	300	(110)	190	0	0	0	0	0
Life	0			0	57	0	(82)	25	0
Love Stevenage	0	1,110	(277)	833	0	0	0	0	0
Minibus	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Monday Night Football	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
New Court	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Neighbourly	90	450	(540)	0	27	1,000	(14)	(923)	90
Office	27			27	27	0	0	0	27
Rob Broom Barnwell	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Rob Broom Boys Night	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Rob Broom Materials	0			0	10	0	(11)	1	0
Rob Broom Radiant Snacks	0			0	0	0	(15)	15	0
Radiant TA Stevenage Council	0	871		871	272	0	(18)	(254)	0
Reaching New People	0			0	0	0	(1,000)	1,000	0
Saturday Celebration	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Saunderson Worship	406			406	2,000	0	0	(1,594)	406
Scripture Union	5			5	13	0	(8)	0	5
St Albans Diocese Worship	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Transforming Lives	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
University of Herts	0			0	0	0	(594)	594	0
Urban Action Trust	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Verulam Trust	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Youth Community	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Youth Community Games	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Youth Community Squash	0			0	10	0	(10)	0	0
Youth Follett	244			244	0	1,000	(40)	(716)	244
Worship 2021	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
				0					
Total	865	5,301	(1,312)	4,854	3,426	8,958	(11,519)	0	865

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)
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Note 10 Restricted accounts (continued)

Archbishops Council	Funding for Girls Youth work zoo trip
Anchor Foundation	Funding for parent and tot community
Bentley Mission	Weekend trip to support a church in Bentley with Outreach
Birmingham Road Trip	Excursion to Birmingham with Youth Group
Blessing Boxes	Funding for Community Aid/Covid focus
Chorley Wood	Funding for Worship Coordinators salary and costs
Christmas Meal	Funding for Christmas celebration
DBFW St Albans	Funding from the Diocese of St Albans
Ferrier Road	Accommodation for staff and volunteers
Festivals	For taking young people to Soul Survivor festival
Follett Trust	Funding for Youth Work
Gary Grants Youth Worker Salary	Funding for Youth Workers Salary
Groundworks	Funding towards starting a project to support parents and carers of young people with mental health problems
Hymns Ancient & Modern	Worship expenses
Life	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Mens Night Football	Mens Monday night football project - outreach
Neighbourly	Funding for Community Work
New Court	Church reopening after Covid
R B Barnwell	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Boys nights	Funding for Stevenage wide boys youth nights
R B Radiant Materials	Materials for girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Radiant Snacks	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant TA Stevenage Councils	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant Youth Work	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Saturday Celebration	Celebration for Saturday
Saunders Worship	Funding to take young people to Festivals
Scripture Union	Funding for our children and Family service
Verulam Trust	Radiant work with girls
Youth Community	Youth Community food
Youth Community games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Squash	Funding for Squash
Youth Follett	Funding for Youth Work
Worship 2021	Worship Funding in 2021

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

Note 11

Designated Funds

	01/01/23	Income	Expenditure	31/12/23	01/01/22	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	31/12/22
All Churches Trust	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1,235)	1,235	0
Aspire Drapes	565	0	0	565	1,800	0	0	(1,235)	565
Birmingham Road Trip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Life	750	0	0	750	0	750	0		750
Radiant	583	0	0	583	0	750	(167)		583
Isolation	29	0	0	29	38	0	(9)		29
Love Stevenage	0	1,099	(1,002)	97	0	0	0		0
Minibus	0	650	(621)	29	0	531	(747)	216	0
Naomi salary VHFT	586	0	0	586	0	3,000	(2,198)	(216)	586
Oak Pastoral Fund	197	0	0	197	0	200	(3)		197
Oak Tree Action	9	0	0	9	9	0	0		9
RH Salary	0	0	0	0	0	3,800	(3,800)		0
RH Services	0	0	0	0	0	300	(300)		0
Satellites 2022	0	0	0	0	0	2,428	(2,428)		0
Saunderson Festivals	56	0	0	56	208	0	(152)		56
Saunderson Training	136	0	0	136	136	0	0		136
Saunderson Radiant	250	0	0	250	380	0	(130)		250
Uniqueness (salary)	0	0	0	0		1,000	(1,000)		0
Urban Action Trust	500	0	0	500	500	0	0		500
Youth Community	150	3,587	(2,175)	1,562	0	1,100	(950)		150
				0					0
Totals	3,811	5,336	(3,798)	5,349	3,071	13,859	(13,119)	0	3,811

Aspires Drapes	Funding for Luxuries
Birmingham Road Trip	Trip to Birmingham with youth
Isolation	Funding for People isolating in Covid
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Naomi Salary	Outreach salary
Oak Tree Action	Worship Salary
RH Salaries	Salaries
RH Services	Services
Satellites	Summer Festival
Saunderson Festivals	Funding to take youth to Festivals
Saunderson Training	Staff training
Saunderson Radiant	Support for girls emotional health
Urban Action Trust	Youth Work
Uniqueness	Funding for Stevenage schools Youth Work
Youth Community	Funds to support youth Community

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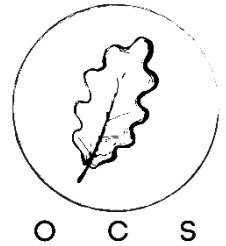
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Oak Church Stevenage/Stevenage Pioneer Youth Trust Report

For the Year ending 31st December 2022.

Charity inauguration 12th January 2016.

Governing document: Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) whose only voting members are its charity trustees – issued by Anthony Collins Solicitors.

Charity Number: 1165138

TRUSTEES

Revd Tim Horlock (Chair)
Ven Dave Middlebrook
Revd Charles Burch
Beverley Hanshaw (resigned 1 September 2022)
Kerry Louw
Ruth McRoy (resigned 1 June 2023)
Eileen Ballard (started June 2023).

Office

High Street Methodist Church
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Stevenage
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Charity Purposes

The purposes of Oak Church Stevenage are for the advancement of the Christian faith in Stevenage, its surrounding villages and other parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the charity Trustees may decide from time to time.

In planning the activities, the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Governance

Trustees who meet regularly to review activities govern Oak Church Stevenage. Day to day leadership about operations delegated to the church leader and associated lay leadership teams. The existing trustees and the church leader appoint new trustees.

Main Activities

Oak Church's vision remains as a multigenerational community who seek to enable young people to encounter Jesus Christ and go on a lifelong adventure with him. We undertake this vision in a variety of ways with a high emphasis on relationship and creating safe places for people to explore faith in Jesus Christ.

Oak Church operates under a missional rhythm of Gathering, Community and Outreach. A summary of activities within this rhythm below.

Gathering – Central spaces for multigenerational community to gather.

Sunday 4pm Oak but Earlier

The 4pm is a fortnightly service to build community and faith expression amongst children and younger families. It meets 2x monthly every month except August. It has seen a steady stream of regular families with some growth from new people attending through the parent and Tot community group. A lay leadership team with support from paid staff and the church leader leads it. It averages about twenty people per fortnight and has organised some family friendly socials too.

5.30pm service weekly service aims to steer toward young people and young adults, although is multigenerational. It meets at High Street Methodist Church. The service has a weekly café, which is completely free, contemporary led worship, gospel centred talk, welcome and offering of prayer ministry. It attracts young people who often sit outside and are engaged with by a detached team who have relevant safeguarding training and DBS certification. It undertook a baptism service in December 2022 at a local Free Evangelical Church Building. It averages around 35-40 people, majority under the age of 25.

Prayer Meetings

Oak Church prioritizes the importance of prayer with offering a twice-weekly morning gathering, at our office and in a local park. These occur 50 weeks of the year. We also gather termly for a 'without borders' prayer and worship evening

Community

Oak Church has three distinct communities largely age determined with cross-mingling at services and ad hoc socials and residential.

Youth Community meets weekly on Tuesdays at High Street Methodist Church and incorporates dinner, drop in and discipleship. Attendance varies weekly. Across the year, we engaged with about forty young people from ten schools and colleges, coming from six of Stevenage's seven neighbourhoods and two surrounding villages. 34% of young people came from Bedwell, the poorest neighbourhood in Stevenage and in the bottom 10% nationally for deprivation.

As part of Youth Community, we took young people on a youth retreat to Bentley in Doncaster in February 2022, staying at a friend's church. We also undertook a day out to the Beach in May Half term and attended the Satellite Youth Festival at the Peterborough Showground in August.

We also offer mentoring to young people, this is primarily directed toward older teenagers and happens in coffee houses or local parks after adopting 'park walking' during Covid. Some young people have regular support, others ask for it less so.

Adult Community

This community is aimed at anyone 18+ and in particular from mid 20s onwards. Friendships tend to form around a monthly pub night and informal bible studies on both zoom and at HSM. Adult Community also facilitates periodic women and men's gatherings centred on food and community.

Young Adult Community

The community is aimed at people 18-26ish and meets socially and informally. Socially this tends to be centred on a WhatsApp group, weekly pub gathering after Sunday services. It also comprises a monthly small group gathering with food, worship, bible study as well as other socials to invest in the existing community and invite friends too.

Outreach

We started Parents and Tot group in autumn 2021 and this finished at the end of 2022. We reluctantly stopped, as team capacity was lower than we needed. The group met at Bedwell Community Centre and attracted an average of thirty parents and Tots from the local area.

Monday Night Football started in autumn 2015 and came to its end this year. Our friends at Hub Church came to us with a vision to run a 'Bridge the Gap' football outreach. With many

of our 'footballers' now men in their 20s and living across north Hertfordshire, we felt after prayer and reflection partnering with BtG at Hub was the best way to take football to the next stage of its life. We still have the odd match as 'Oak Church' but our weekly project stopped in 2022.

Schools Work

We started an afterschool drop in at Thomas Alleyne's called 'Cornerstone' and this has proved popular with younger people (13-14years). Centred around gaming and offering free toasties and drinks, it has been a good 'bridge' to build relationships with young people and invite them into Tuesday youth community and socials.

We continue to run Radiant at Barnwell School, a group aimed at younger teenage girls to talk about emotional health. It restarted this year after almost two years of disruption due to Covid19.

We continue to run Life at Barnwell School, and have a regular group of year 8 boys. This focuses on the emotional wellbeing of teenage boys. We also have run weekly Wednesday football sessions with the support of the PE department at Barnwell School. These sessions have involved the team joining a lunchtime 'kick about' with year 10 and 11 boys, giving out free Lucozade and then offering one to one mentoring of boys that the school deem to need support.

Love Stevenage

This has steered away from the annual weekend to be smaller acts of kindness throughout the year. However, Oak Church took the lead in organising Christmas carols in the Town Square with a free chocolate giveaway. Four churches came together to make this happen.

Socials

A lot of Oak's life is around building relationships. We have had different youth socials in 2022; they have ranged from going out to dinner to Nandos on a Tuesday night to a youth community day out in Cambridge in April and a twenty-four hour 'lock in' and then day out in London in October 2022.

Panna Cage

We own a steel football cage that is popular with youth groups and schools. We supported our friends at Youthscape by loaning our cage for the Satellites Christian Festival. We also took the cage into Thomas Alleyne's and Barnwell schools during lunchtimes.

Wider Church Engagement

As part of Deanery of Stevenage, we led worship at the Town wide 'Walk of Witness' on Good Friday providing musicians. We also took a small team to a church in Hampshire in May to bless them and continue to engage with Churches Together in Stevenage too.

Our Church leader has extensive relationships outside of Stevenage from his time in youth ministry and he attended a Soul Survivor Family of Churches retreat in September in Watford as well as the national youth ministry weekend, where he took the team of youth workers to Birmingham. He is close friends with a number of people at Youthscape and meets them from time to time. He also met with friends in the HTB network who are fellow church planters and the CEO of LICC to look at culture and young people.

Church Mission Partners

Oak Church seeks to give 10% of its tithed income to other churches and missions in the UK and abroad whose values chime with its heart. We supported youth ministry in churches in the north and midlands as well as individuals studying for Ordination.

Team

We had three members of the team step down from their roles. Sonny Robertson stepped away after six months from his voluntary assistant youth worker role to move into fulltime paid employment.

Bonnie Loosley stepped aside from her role as youth outreach worker after 18 months service in this role and the Trustees thank Bonnie for her work in particular to schools and discipleship of youth community.

Charlotte Prior stepped aside from her role as fundraising coordinator in October after six years. The Trustees would like to place on record their immense gratitude for Charlotte's tireless work, in particular, building from scratch a fundraising strategy incorporating a donor database, bid writing, maintaining multiple relationships with many funders, grant making trusts and individuals. A great many charities and people continue to bear fruit today.

We employed Naomi McBride as a Relational Schools Worker in April and we renewed contracts for Worship, Bookkeeper and Operations, extending Operations Coordinator hours to involve more administrative support for safeguarding. We remain extensively supported by a wide network of volunteer team who serve across Oak's life, and we are indebted to them.

Houses

Oak Church has the privilege of renting two church houses for its staff team and some high capacity volunteers. One house is owned by the Diocesan Board of Finance and let through an Agent. The other is owned and stewarded by Holy Trinity Stevenage. The tenants who serve and worship at Oak Church cover the rent and bills. Oak Church pay a small supplement toward utility bills.

Safeguarding

We had a number of safeguarding issues and cases to deal with over the course of the year and worked closely with St Albans Diocese Safeguarding Team. We have a lead Safeguarding Advisor (PSO) and a DBS/Safeguarding administrator who ensures all team have the required training and DBS certification to undertake their roles. Our Church Leader and several team updated their training. We are committed to excellent safer practice in all aspects of Oak's life.

Fundraising and Church Mission Partners

The vast majority of Oak's funding comes from outside of Stevenage. Whilst the church does tithe and with gift aid, this accrues around £40k, Oak relies on an extensive tapestry of financial support overseen by Church Leader, one of our Trustees and our part time fundraising coordinator. We receive streams of income from Church Mission Partners, a donor database, funding grants, fundraising events, and eBay and occasional gifts. Our Church mission collaborators this year included; St Andrews Chorleywood, St Leonards Chesham Bois, St Pauls St Albans, St Peters Stevenage, Holy Trinity Stevenage and Wellspring Church Watford.

Our Fundraiser was successful in applying for grants with Verulam House Trust, St Albans Diocese, Stevenage Borough Council Covid Recovery Grant, Neighbourly, Local Community Budgets (Stevenage) The Entertainer and existing support from Nias Wheatley, Kirby Laing et al.

Financial Reserves

Oak Church aims to have three months of running expenses in the bank as cash. This has fluctuated throughout the year as finances ebb and flow.

Trustee Responsibilities

Trustee Responsibility Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year. We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Trustees approved this report on 29th October 2023.

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST-OAK CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST ("the charity")

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 as set out on pages 1 to 9 of the annual report and pages 1-9 of the accounts

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the "2011 Act"). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

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

It is my responsibility to:

- 1) Examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- 2) To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- 3) To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Although the charity's gross income does not exceed the amount provided in Section 146(3) of the Act, and so your examiner does not have to be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act I nonetheless confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination as a member of the South African Chartered Accountants Society affiliated to the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

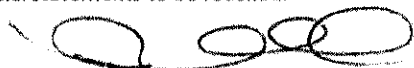
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27/10/23

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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS								
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2022								
AT 31 DECEMBER								
Notes	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2022	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2021
Incoming Resources								
Donations and Legacies	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,673	68,188	2,042	18,795	89,025
Charitable activities income	0	0	0		4,114	0	0	4,114
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Resources Expended								
Fund raising	(8,353)	0	0	(8,353)	(7,169)	0	0	(7,169)
Charitable activities costs	(99,055)	(13,119)	(11,519)	(123,693)	(70,165)	(2,670)	(21,008)	(93,843)
Total Outgoing Resources	(107,408)	(13,119)	(11,519)	(132,046)	(77,334)	2,670	21,008	101,012
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	(5,552)	740	(2,561)	(7,373)	(5,032)	(628)	(2,213)	(7,873)
Opening Funds January 1	23,057	3,071	3,426	29,554	28,089	3,699	5,639	37,427
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BALANCE SHEETS AT 31 DECEMBER								
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2022	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021
Fixed Assets								
Property	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current Assets								
Debtors	4,500	0	0	4,500	5,568	0	0	5,568
Deposits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash and Bank	17,681	0	0	17,681	24,994	0	0	24,994
Total Current Assets	22,181			22,181	30,562	0	0	30,562
Creditors	0	0	0	0	1,008	0	0	1,008
Assets less Liabilities	22,181	0	0	22,181	29,554	0	0	29,554
Inter Fund balances	(4,676)	3,811	865	0	(6,497)	3,071	3,426	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS	17,505	3,811	865	22,181	23,057	3,071	3,426	29,554
REPRESENTED BY								
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STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR TO 31/12/22

	2022	2021
Cash flow from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities	(8,381)	2,796
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Net cash outflows from investing	0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(8,381)	2,796
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January	30,562	27,766
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	22,181	30,562
Breakdown A		
Net income per SOFA	(7,373)	(7,873)
Depreciation charge	0	0
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(2,016)	5,077
(Increase)/Decrease in creditors	1,008	0
Net Cash used in operating activities	(8,381)	(2,796)
Breakdown B		
Cash at bank and on hand	17,681	24,994
Total cash and cash equivalents	17,681	24,994

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR YEAR ENDED 31/12/2022
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Basis of accounting

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are laid out below.

Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared for the year ending 31st December 2022

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policies below or to the notes to these accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16/7/2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

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

The financial statements are presented in sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

Preparation of the financial statements require the members of the Board and management to make significant judgements and estimates. The items in the financial statements where these judgements and estimates have been made include the useful economic life of tangible fixed assets.

Going Concern

The trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these financial statements. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of these financial statements.

The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet liabilities as they fall due. This is because the charity has sufficient monetary assets, including short term cash deposits, which could be readily realised to meet liabilities should there be an unexpected curtailment of income.

Income

Income is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the funds will be received.

Income comprises donations and income directly related to charitable activities (including grants).

Income (continued)

Gift Aid receivable is included in income where there is a valid tax declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees annual report.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of the resources e.g. per volunteer time spent and other costs by their usage.

Assets

Tangible Fixed Assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £1,000.

Pooled IT equipment is also capitalised. They are valued at cost and depreciated over 3 years.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of Oak Church Stevenage to hold in reserves the equivalent of three months general running costs including salary and housing for staff. Oak Church Stevenage will additionally hold a further three months salary and housing costs for the leader of Oak Church Stevenage.

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021
Note 1 Donations and Legacies								
Donations and Gifts	59,562	3,991	2,054	65,607	47,121	588	4,310	52,019
Grants	42,294	9,868	6,904	59,066	21,067	1,454	14,485	37,006
Total donations, legacies	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,763	68,188	2,042	18,795	89,025
Note 2 Charitable Activities Income								
Missional outreach income	0	0	0	0	4,114	0	0	4,114
Total Charitable Income	0	0	0	0	4,114	0	0	4,114
TOTAL INCOME	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,763	72,302	2,042	18,795	93,139
Note 3 Fund Raising Expenditure								
Staff costs	8,353	0	0	8,353	7,169	0	0	7,169
Total	8,353	0	0	8,353	7,169	0	0	7,169
Note 4 Charitable Activity Expenditure								
Missional outreach-direct	21,095	8,746	4,693	34,534	10,475	1,814	13,911	26,200
Missional outreach-support	1,085	4,373	869	6,327	1,367	856	2,577	4,800
Total	22,180	13,119	5,562	40,861	11,842	2,670	16,488	31,000
Church - Direct	43,373	0	5,415	48,788	32,906	0	4,108	37,014
Church - Support	33,502	0	543	36,344	25,417	0	412	25,829
	76,875	0	5,958	82,832	58,323	0	4,520	62,843
Total Charitable Expenses	99,055	13,119	11,519	123,693	70,165	2,670	21,008	93,843
Note 5 Support Costs								
Unrestricted								
Staff	47,097	5,233	0	52,330	44,854	4,984	0	49,838
Team Support	21,879	2,431	0	24,310	20,837	2,315	0	23,152
Office	15,443	2,206	0	17,649	14,708	2,101	0	16,809
Total	84,419	9,870	0	94,289	80,399	9,400	0	89,799
Restricted								
Depreciation of IT Equipment	0	0	0	0	(360)	(40)		(400)
Total	0	0	0	0	(360)	(40)		(400)
Total Support Costs	84,419	9,870	0	94,289	80,039	9,360	0	89,399
Note 6 Net income/(expenditure)								
After charging								
Salaries & Wages Note 7				42,648				49,838
Depreciation				0				0
Note 7 Staff Costs								
Salaries and Wages				37,879				44,265
Social Security Costs				1,516				1,771
Pension Contributions				3,253				3,802
Total Staff Costs				42,648				49,838

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Note 8 Fixed Assets

	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2022	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2021
Cost						
Cost 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Additions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance 31 December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Depreciation						
At 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Charge for year	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Book Value						
At 1st January	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 December	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2,022	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021
Note 9 Debtors						
Due within 1 year						
Gift aid due	4,500	0	4,500	5,568	0	5568
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total at 31 December	4,500	0	4,500	5,568	0	5568

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Note 10

Restricted Funds

	01/01/2022	Income	Expenditure	31/12/2022	01/01/2021	Income	Expenditure	31/12/2021
Anchor Foundation	0	0	(954)	(954)	0	456	(456)	0
Archbishops Council	0	0	(221)	(221)	82	133	(215)	0
Aspire Drapes	0	0	0	0	0	1,800	(1,800)	0
Birmingham Road Trip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blessing Boxes	0	0	0	0	0	13	(13)	0
Casley Camp	0	0	0	0	0	300	(300)	0
co21 Res	0	0	0	0	0	87	(87)	0
Chorley Wood Worship	0	0	0	0	0	209	(209)	0
Christmas Meal	0	0	0	0	0	1	(1)	0
Cornerstone Football	0	0	(151)	(151)	0	49	(49)	0
DBFW St Albans	0	1,170	(2,093)	(923)	0	0	0	0
Ferrier Road	0	5,788	(5,876)	(88)	0	5,885	(5,885)	0
Follet Trust	836	0	(375)	461	0	1,000	(164)	836
Gary Grant Youth Worker Salary	0	0	0	0	0	3,000	(3,000)	0
Gift for Training	0	0	0	0	0	62	(62)	0
Groundworks	128	0	(39)	89	770	128	(770)	128
Hymns Ancient Modern	46	0	0	46	46	46	(46)	46
Isolation	0	0	0	0	0	29	(29)	0
SBC Karaoke Worship Nights	0	0	(18)	(18)	543	0	(543)	0
LCB Radiant Snacks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Life	57	0	(82)	(25)	143	57	(143)	57
Love Stevenage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Minibus	0	0	0	0	0	974	(974)	0
Monday Night Football	0	0	0	0	0	27	(27)	0
New Court	0	0	0	0	0	250	(250)	0
Neighbourly	27	1,000	(14)	1,013	85	27	(85)	27
Office	27	0	0	27	27	27	(27)	27
Rob Broom Barnwell	0	0	0	0	23	0	(23)	0
Rob Broom Boys Night	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rob Broom Materials	10	0	(11)	(1)	60	10	(60)	10
Rob Broom Radiant Snacks	0	0	(15)	(15)	78	0	(78)	0
Radiant TA Stevenage Council	272	0	(18)	254	136	150	(14)	272
Reaching New People	0	0	(1,000)	(1,000)	0	0	0	0
Saturday Celebration	0	0	0	0	0	10	(10)	0
Saunderson Worship	2,000	0	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	(2,000)	2,000
Scripture Union	13	0	(8)	5	13	13	(13)	13
St Albans Diocese Worship	0	0	0	0	0	417	(417)	0
Transforming Lives	0	0	0	0	0	200	(200)	0
University of Herts	0	0	(594)	(594)	0	135	(135)	0
Urban Action Trust	0	0	0	0	0	500	(500)	0
Verulam Trust	0	0	0	0	1,598	0	(1,598)	0
Youth Community	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Youth Community Games	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Youth Community Squash	10	0	(10)	0	10	0	0	10
Youth Follett	0	1,000	(40)	960	0	0	0	0
Worship 2021	0	0	0	0	25	0	(25)	0
Total	3,426	8,958	(11,519)	865	5,639	17,995	(20,208)	3,426

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)
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Note 10 Restricted accounts (continued)

Anchor Trust	Fund for Parent and Tot Community
Archbishops Council	Funding for Girls Youth work zoo trip
Bentley Mission	Weekend trip to support a church in Bentley with Outreach
Birmingham Road Trip	Excursion to Birmingham with Youth Group
Blessing Boxes	Funding for Community Aid/Covid focus
Chorley Wood	Funding for Worship Coordinators salary and costs
Christmas Meal	Funding for Christmas celebration
DBFW St Albans	Funding from the Diocese of St Albans
Ferrier Road	Accommodation for staff and volunteers
Festivals	For taking young people to Soul Survivor festival
Follett Trust	Funding for Youth Work
Gary Grants Youth Worker Salary	Funding for Youth Workers Salary
Groundworks	Funding towards starting a project to support parents and carers of young people with mental health problems
Hymns Ancient & Modern	Worship expenses
Life	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Mens Night Football	Mens Monday night football project - outreach
Neighbourly	Funding for Community Work
New Court	Church reopening after Covid
R B Barnwell	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Boys nights	Funding for Stevenage wide boys youth nights
R B Radiant Materials	Materials for girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Radiant Snacks	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant TA Stevenage Councils	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant Youth Work	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Saturday Celebration	Celebration for Saturday
Saunders Worship	Funding to take young people to Festivals
Scripture Union	Funding for our children and Family service
Verulam Trust	Radiant work with girls
Youth Community	Youth Community food
Youth Community games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Squash	Funding for Squash
Youth Follett	Funding for Youth Work
Worship 2021	Worship Funding in 2021

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Note 11

Designated Funds

	01/01/22			31/12/22	01/01/21			31/12/21
	Income	Expenditure			Income	Expenditure		
All Churches Trust	0	0	(1,235)	(1,235)	0	1,445	(1,445)	0
Aspire Drapes	1,800			1,800	1,800	0	0	1,800
Birmingham Road Trip	0			0	96	0	(96)	0
Life	0	750	0	750				
Radiant		750	(167)	583				
Isolation	38		(9)	29	38	0	0	38
Love Stevenage	0			0	0	0	0	0
Minibus	0	531	(747)	(216)				
Naomi salary VHFT	0	3,000	(2,198)	802				
Oak Pastoral Fund	0	200	(3)	197				
Oak Tree Action	9	0	0	9	9	9	(9)	9
RH Salary	0	3,800	(3,800)	0				
RH Services	0	300	(300)	0				
Satellites 2022	0	2,428	(2,428)	0				
Saunderson Festivals	208	0	(152)	56	360	208	(360)	208
Saunderson Training	136	0	0	136	136	0	0	136
Saunderson Radiant	380	0	(130)	250	510	380	(510)	380
Uniqueness (salary)		1,000	(1,000)	0				
Urban Action Trust	500	0	0	500	500	0	0	500
Youth Community	0	1,100	(950)	150	250	0	(250)	0
Totals	3,071	13,859	(13,119)	3,811	3,699	2,042	(2,670)	3,071

Aspires Drapes	Funding for Luxuries
Birmingham Road Trip	Trip to Birmingham with youth
Isolation	Funding for People isolating in Covid
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Naomi Salary	Outreach salary
Oak Tree Action	Worship Salary
RH Salaries	Salaries
RH Services	Services
Satellites	Summer Festival
Saunderson Festivals	Funding to take youth to Festivals
Saunderson Training	Staff training
Saunderson Radiant	Support for girls emotional health
Urban Action Trust	Youth Work
Uniqueness	Funding for Stevenage schools Youth Work
Youth Community	Funds to support youth Community

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST-OAK CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST ("the charity")

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 as set out on pages 1 to 9 of the annual report and pages 1-9 of the accounts

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the "2011 Act"). My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

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

It is my responsibility to:

- 1) Examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- 2) To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- 3) To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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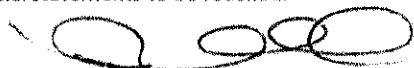
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Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current Assets								
Debtors	4,500	0	0	4,500	5,568	0	0	5,568
Deposits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash and Bank	17,681	0	0	17,681	24,994	0	0	24,994
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Assets less Liabilities	22,181	0	0	22,181	29,554	0	0	29,554
Inter Fund balances	(4,676)	3,811	865	0	(6,497)	3,071	3,426	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS	17,505	3,811	865	22,181	23,057	3,071	3,426	29,554
REPRESENTED BY								
Funds	17,505	3,811	865	22,181	23,057	3,071	3,426	29,554

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR TO 31/12/22

	2022	2021
Cash flow from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities	(8,381)	2,796
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Net cash outflows from investing	0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(8,381)	2,796
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January	30,562	27,766
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	22,181	30,562
Breakdown A		
Net income per SOFA	(7,373)	(7,873)
Depreciation charge	0	0
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(2,016)	5,077
(Increase)/Decrease in creditors	1,008	0
Net Cash used in operating activities	(8,381)	(2,796)
Breakdown B		
Cash at bank and on hand	17,681	24,994
Total cash and cash equivalents	17,681	24,994

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR YEAR ENDED 31/12/2022
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Note 1 Donations and Legacies								
Donations and Gifts	59,562	3,991	2,054	65,607	47,121	588	4,310	52,019
Grants	42,294	9,868	6,904	59,066	21,067	1,454	14,485	37,006
Total donations, legacies	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,763	68,188	2,042	18,795	89,025
Note 2 Charitable Activities Income								
Missional outreach income	0	0	0	0	4,114	0	0	4,114
Total Charitable Income	0	0	0	0	4,114	0	0	4,114
TOTAL INCOME	101,856	13,859	8,958	124,763	72,302	2,042	18,795	93,139
Note 3 Fund Raising Expenditure								
Staff costs	8,353	0	0	8,353	7,169	0	0	7,169
Total	8,353	0	0	8,353	7,169	0	0	7,169
Note 4 Charitable Activity Expenditure								
Missional outreach-direct	21,095	8,746	4,693	34,534	10,475	1,814	13,911	26,200
Missional outreach-support	1,085	4,373	869	6,327	1,367	856	2,577	4,800
Total	22,180	13,119	5,562	40,861	11,842	2,670	16,488	31,000
Church - Direct	43,373	0	5,415	48,788	32,906	0	4,108	37,014
Church - Support	33,502	0	543	36,344	25,417	0	412	25,829
	76,875	0	5,958	82,832	58,323	0	4,520	62,843
Total Charitable Expenses	99,055	13,119	11,519	123,693	70,165	2,670	21,008	93,843
Note 5 Support Costs								
Unrestricted								
Staff	47,097	5,233	0	52,330	44,854	4,984	0	49,838
Team Support	21,879	2,431	0	24,310	20,837	2,315	0	23,152
Office	15,443	2,206	0	17,649	14,708	2,101	0	16,809
Total	84,419	9,870	0	94,289	80,399	9,400	0	89,799
Restricted								
Depreciation of IT Equipment	0	0	0	0	(360)	(40)		(400)
Total	0	0	0	0	(360)	(40)		(400)
Total Support Costs	84,419	9,870	0	94,289	80,039	9,360	0	89,399
Note 6 Net income/(expenditure)								
After charging								
Salaries & Wages Note 7				42,648				49,838
Depreciation				0				0
Note 7 Staff Costs								
Salaries and Wages				37,879				44,265
Social Security Costs				1,516				1,771
Pension Contributions				3,253				3,802
Total Staff Costs				42,648				49,838

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Note 8 Fixed Assets

	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2022	Plant Machinery Motor vehicles	Information Technology Assets	Total 2021
Cost						
Cost 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Additions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance 31 December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Depreciation						
At 1st January	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Charge for year	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31st December	0	9,115	9,115	0	9,115	9115
Book Value						
At 1st January	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 December	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2,022	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021
Note 9 Debtors						
Due within 1 year						
Gift aid due	4,500	0	4,500	5,568	0	5568
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total at 31 December	4,500	0	4,500	5,568	0	5568

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Note 10

Restricted Funds

	01/01/2022	Income	Expenditure	31/12/2022	01/01/2021	Income	Expenditure	31/12/2021
Anchor Foundation	0	0	(954)	(954)	0	456	(456)	0
Archbishops Council	0	0	(221)	(221)	82	133	(215)	0
Aspire Drapes	0	0	0	0	0	1,800	(1,800)	0
Birmingham Road Trip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blessing Boxes	0	0	0	0	0	13	(13)	0
Casley Camp	0	0	0	0	0	300	(300)	0
co21 Res	0	0	0	0	0	87	(87)	0
Chorley Wood Worship	0	0	0	0	0	209	(209)	0
Christmas Meal	0	0	0	0	0	1	(1)	0
Cornerstone Football	0	0	(151)	(151)	0	49	(49)	0
DBFW St Albans	0	1,170	(2,093)	(923)	0	0	0	0
Ferrier Road	0	5,788	(5,876)	(88)	0	5,885	(5,885)	0
Follet Trust	836	0	(375)	461	0	1,000	(164)	836
Gary Grant Youth Worker Salary	0	0	0	0	0	3,000	(3,000)	0
Gift for Training	0	0	0	0	0	62	(62)	0
Groundworks	128	0	(39)	89	770	128	(770)	128
Hymns Ancient Modern	46	0	0	46	46	46	(46)	46
Isolation	0	0	0	0	0	29	(29)	0
SBC Karaoke Worship Nights	0	0	(18)	(18)	543	0	(543)	0
LCB Radiant Snacks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Life	57	0	(82)	(25)	143	57	(143)	57
Love Stevenage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Minibus	0	0	0	0	0	974	(974)	0
Monday Night Football	0	0	0	0	0	27	(27)	0
New Court	0	0	0	0	0	250	(250)	0
Neighbourly	27	1,000	(14)	1,013	85	27	(85)	27
Office	27	0	0	27	27	27	(27)	27
Rob Broom Barnwell	0	0	0	0	23	0	(23)	0
Rob Broom Boys Night	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rob Broom Materials	10	0	(11)	(1)	60	10	(60)	10
Rob Broom Radiant Snacks	0	0	(15)	(15)	78	0	(78)	0
Radiant TA Stevenage Council	272	0	(18)	254	136	150	(14)	272
Reaching New People	0	0	(1,000)	(1,000)	0	0	0	0
Saturday Celebration	0	0	0	0	0	10	(10)	0
Saunderson Worship	2,000	0	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	(2,000)	2,000
Scripture Union	13	0	(8)	5	13	13	(13)	13
St Albans Diocese Worship	0	0	0	0	0	417	(417)	0
Transforming Lives	0	0	0	0	0	200	(200)	0
University of Herts	0	0	(594)	(594)	0	135	(135)	0
Urban Action Trust	0	0	0	0	0	500	(500)	0
Verulam Trust	0	0	0	0	1,598	0	(1,598)	0
Youth Community	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Youth Community Games	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Youth Community Squash	10	0	(10)	0	10	0	0	10
Youth Follett	0	1,000	(40)	960	0	0	0	0
Worship 2021	0	0	0	0	25	0	(25)	0
Total	3,426	8,958	(11,519)	865	5,639	17,995	(20,208)	3,426

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)
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Note 10 Restricted accounts (continued)

Anchor Trust	Fund for Parent and Tot Community
Archbishops Council	Funding for Girls Youth work zoo trip
Bentley Mission	Weekend trip to support a church in Bentley with Outreach
Birmingham Road Trip	Excursion to Birmingham with Youth Group
Blessing Boxes	Funding for Community Aid/Covid focus
Chorley Wood	Funding for Worship Coordinators salary and costs
Christmas Meal	Funding for Christmas celebration
DBFW St Albans	Funding from the Diocese of St Albans
Ferrier Road	Accommodation for staff and volunteers
Festivals	For taking young people to Soul Survivor festival
Follett Trust	Funding for Youth Work
Gary Grants Youth Worker Salary	Funding for Youth Workers Salary
Groundworks	Funding towards starting a project to support parents and carers of young people with mental health problems
Hymns Ancient & Modern	Worship expenses
Life	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Mens Night Football	Mens Monday night football project - outreach
Neighbourly	Funding for Community Work
New Court	Church reopening after Covid
R B Barnwell	Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Boys nights	Funding for Stevenage wide boys youth nights
R B Radiant Materials	Materials for girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
R B Radiant Snacks	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant TA Stevenage Councils	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Radiant Youth Work	Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
Saturday Celebration	Celebration for Saturday
Saunders Worship	Funding to take young people to Festivals
Scripture Union	Funding for our children and Family service
Verulam Trust	Radiant work with girls
Youth Community	Youth Community food
Youth Community games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Games	Funding for Games for youth
Youth Community Squash	Funding for Squash
Youth Follett	Funding for Youth Work
Worship 2021	Worship Funding in 2021

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST OAK CHURCH ACCOUNTS
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Note 11

Designated Funds

	01/01/22			31/12/22	01/01/21			31/12/21
	Income	Expenditure			Income	Expenditure		
All Churches Trust	0	0	(1,235)	(1,235)	0	1,445	(1,445)	0
Aspire Drapes	1,800			1,800	1,800	0	0	1,800
Birmingham Road Trip	0			0	96	0	(96)	0
Life	0	750	0	750				
Radiant		750	(167)	583				
Isolation	38		(9)	29	38	0	0	38
Love Stevenage	0			0	0	0	0	0
Minibus	0	531	(747)	(216)				
Naomi salary VHFT	0	3,000	(2,198)	802				
Oak Pastoral Fund	0	200	(3)	197				
Oak Tree Action	9	0	0	9	9	9	(9)	9
RH Salary	0	3,800	(3,800)	0				
RH Services	0	300	(300)	0				
Satellites 2022	0	2,428	(2,428)	0				
Saunderson Festivals	208	0	(152)	56	360	208	(360)	208
Saunderson Training	136	0	0	136	136	0	0	136
Saunderson Radiant	380	0	(130)	250	510	380	(510)	380
Uniqueness (salary)		1,000	(1,000)	0				
Urban Action Trust	500	0	0	500	500	0	0	500
Youth Community	0	1,100	(950)	150	250	0	(250)	0
Totals	3,071	13,859	(13,119)	3,811	3,699	2,042	(2,670)	3,071

Aspires Drapes	Funding for Luxuries
Birmingham Road Trip	Trip to Birmingham with youth
Isolation	Funding for People isolating in Covid
Love Stevenage	Ecumenical Project to run a fun day
Naomi Salary	Outreach salary
Oak Tree Action	Worship Salary
RH Salaries	Salaries
RH Services	Services
Satellites	Summer Festival
Saunderson Festivals	Funding to take youth to Festivals
Saunderson Training	Staff training
Saunderson Radiant	Support for girls emotional health
Urban Action Trust	Youth Work
Uniqueness	Funding for Stevenage schools Youth Work
Youth Community	Funds to support youth Community

STEVENAGE PIONEER YOUTH TRUST

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	2020
INCOMING RESOURCES									
Donations and Legacies	1	68,188	2,042	18,795	89,025	80,536	3,909	10,409	94,854
Income from Charitable Activities	2	4,114	0	0	4,114	3,261	0	0	3,261
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		72,302	2,042	18,795	93,139	83,797	3,909	10,409	98,115
RESOURCES EXPENDED									
Raising funds	3	7,169	0	0	7,169	10,203	0	0	10,203
Cost of Charitable Activities	4	70,165	2,670	21,008	93,843	79,322	3,316	9,275	91,913
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		77,334	2,670	21,008	101,012	89,525	3,316	9,275	102,116
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		-5,032	-628	-2,213	-7,873	-5,728	593	1,134	-4,001
Total funds brought forward 1 January 2020		28,089	3,699	5,639	37,427	33,817	3,106	4,502	41,425
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 31 December 2021		23,057	3,071	3,426	29,554	28,089	3,699	5,636	37,424

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
FIXED ASSET									
Property		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS									
Debtors	9	5,568	0	0	5,568	10,669	0	0	10,669
Short Term Deposits		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		24,994	0	0	24,994	27,766	0	0	27,766
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		30,562	0	0	30,562	38,435	0	0	38,435
Creditors		(1,008)	0	0	(1,008)	(1,008)	0	0	(1,008)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		29,554	0	0	29,554	37,427	0	0	37,427
Inter-Fund Balances		(6,497)	3,071	3,426	0	(9,338)	3,699	5,639	0
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		23,057	3,071	3,426	29,554	28,089	3,699	5,639	37,427
REPRESENTED BY:									
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY									
Restricted funds		0	0	3,426	3,426	0	0	5,639	5,639
Designated Funds		0	3,071	0	3,071	0	3,699	0	3,699
Unrestricted Funds		23,057	0	0	23,057	28,089	0	0	28,089
		23,057	3,071	3,426	29,554	28,089	3,699	5,639	37,427

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the year ended 31 December 2021

		2021	2020
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash used in operating activities		2,772	-5,104
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		0	0
Net cash provided by investing activities		0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		2,772	-5,104
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January 2020		27,766	32,870
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2020		30,538	27,766
Breakdown A			
Net income as per statement of financial activities		-7,873	-4,001
Depreciation charge		0	-400
(Increase) / Decrease in Debtors		5,101	(5,720)
(Increase) / Decrease in creditors		0	-1,508
Net Cash used in operating activities		-2,772	-11,629
Breakdown B			
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Note 1 – Donations and Legacies

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
Donations and Legacies									
Donations and Gifts		47,121	588	4,310	52,019	48,187	2,309	2,409	52,905
General grants provided by other charities		21,067	1,454	14,485	37,006	32,349	1,600	8,100	42,049
TOTAL DONATIONS AND LEGACIES		68,188	2,042	18,795	89,025	80,536	3,909	10,509	94,954

Note 2 – Income from Charitable Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
Income from Charitable Activities									
Missional outreach income		4,114	0	0	4,114	3,261		0	3,261
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		4,114	0	0	4,114	3,261		0	3,261

Note 3 – Expenditure on Raising Funds

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
Expenditure on raising funds									
Staff costs		7,169	0	0	7,169	10,203		0	10,203
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		7,169	0	0	7,169	10,203		0	10,203

Note 4 – Expenditure on Charitable Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
Missional outreach – Direct		10,475	1,814	13,911	26,200	12,653	2,020	6,406	21,079
Missional outreach – Support	5	1,367	856	2,577	4,800	1,239	1,084	1,278	3,601
Total Missional Outreach		11,842	2,670	16,488	31,000	13,892	3,104	7,684	24,680
Church – Direct		32,906	0	4,108	37,014	36,622	0	1,328	37,950
Church – Support	5	25,417	0	412	25,829	28,808	212	263	29,283
Total Church		58,323	0	4,520	62,843	65,430	212	1,591	67,233
TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		70,165	2,670	21,008	93,843	79,322	3,316	9,275	91,913

Note 5 – Support Costs

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Missional Outreach	Church	Grants	Total 2021	Missional Outreach	Church	Grants	Total 2020
Unrestricted								
Staff	44,854	4,984	0	49,838	44,854	4,984	0	49,838
Team Support	20,837	2,315	0	23,152	20,837	2,315	0	23,152
Office	14,708	2,101	0	16,809	14,708	2,101	0	16,809
	80,399	9,400	0	89,799	80,399	9,400	0	89,799
Restricted								
IT Equipment – Depreciation	-360	-40	0	-400	1,368	152	0	1,520
IT Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IT Equipment	-360	-40	0	-400	1,368	2,950	0	1,520
TOTAL SUPPORT COSTS	80,039	9,360	0	89,399	81,767	12,350	0	91,319

Note 6 – Net income (expenditure)

This is stated after charging:

	Total 2021	Total 2020
Salaries and Wages (see note 7)	49,838	49,838
Depreciation	0	0

Note 7 – Staff Costs

For the year ended 31 December 2019

	2021	2020
Salaries and Wages	44,265	44,265
Social Security Costs	1,771	1,771
Pension Contributions	3,802	3,802
Total Staff Costs	49,838	49,838

As at 31 December 2021, there were 5 members of staff including one ordained minister (2019 - 4)

Note 8 – Fixed Assets

		Plant, Machinery and Motor Vehicles	Information Technology Equipment	Total 2021		Plant, Machinery and Motor Vehicles	Information Technology Equipment	Total 2020	
Cost									
At the beginning of the year		0	9,115	9,115		0	9,115	9,115	
Additions		0	0	0		0	0	0	
Disposals		0	0	0		0	0	0	
At the end of the year		0	9,115	9,115		0	9,115	9,115	
Depreciation									
At the beginning of the year		0	9,515	9,515		0	9,515	9,515	
Charge for the year		0	0	0		0	-400	-400	
Disposals		0	0	0		0	0	0	
At the end of the year		0	9,115	9,115		0	9,115	9,115	
Net Book Value									
At the beginning of the year		0	0	0		0	0	0	
At the end of the year		0	0	0		0	0	0	

The organisation owns a car and trailer with a panna football cage, which is held with a value of £ 0.

Note 9 – Debtors

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021		Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
Debtors due within one year									
Gift Aid Receivable		5,568	0	5,568			10,669	0	10,669
TOTAL DEBTORS		5,568	0	5,568			10,669	0	10,669

Note 10 – Restricted Funds

	At 1 January 2021	Income	Expenditure	At 31 December 2021	At 1 January 2020	Income	Expenditure	At 31 December 2020
Anchor Foundation	0	456	(456)	0				
Archbishops Council	82	133	(215)	0	82			82
Aspire Drapes	0	1,800	(1,800)	0				
Birmingham Road Trip	0	0		0		100	(100)	0
Blessing Boxes	0	13	(13)	0	0	166	(166)	0
Casley Camp		300	(300)	0				
co21Res		887	(887)	0				
Chorley Wood Worship	0	209	(209)	0	2316	0	(2,316)	0
Christmas Meal	0	1	(1)	0	0	100	(100)	0
Corner StoneFootball		49	(49)	0				
Ferrier Road		5,885	(5,885)	0				
Folief Trust		1,000	(164)	836				
Gary Grant Youth Worker's Salary	0	3,000	(3,000)	0	0	3,000	(3,000)	0
Gift for Training		62	(62)	0				
Groundworks	770	128	(770)	128	830		(60)	770
Hymns Ancient Modern	46	46	(46)	46	0	1,000	(954)	46
Isolation		29	(29)	0				
SBC Karaoke Worship Nights	543		(543)	0	0	575	(32)	543
LCB Radiant Snacks				0	166		(166)	0
Life	143	57	(143)	57	148		(5)	143
Love Stevange	0			0	0			0
minibus		974	(974)	0				
Monday Night Football	0	27	(27)	0	196		(196)	0
New Court	0	250	(250)	0	0	250	(250)	0
Neighbourly	85	27	(85)	27	0	400	(315)	85
office	27	27	(27)	27	0	750	(723)	27
Rob Broom Barnwell	23		(23)	0	51		(28)	23
Rob Broom Boys Night	0			0	150	225	(375)	0
Rob Broom Radiant Materials	60	10	(60)	10	60		0	60
Rob Broom Radiant Snacks	78		(78)	0	127		(49)	78
Radiant TA Stevenage Council	136	150	(14)	272	0	150	(14)	136
Saturday Celebration	0	10	(10)	0	#REF!	10	(10)	0
Saunderson Worship	2000	2,000	(2,000)	2,000		2,000		2,000
Scripture Union	13	13	(13)	13	90	49	(126)	13
St Albans Diocese Worship		417	(417)	0				
Transforming Lives		200	(200)	0				
University of Herts		135	(135)	0				
Urban Action Trust		500	(500)	0				
Verulam Trust	1598		(1,598)	0		1,709	(111)	1,598
Youth Community				0	224		(224)	0
Youth Community Games	0			0	52		(52)	0
Youth Community Squash	10			10	10		0	10
Worship 2021	25		(25)	0		25		25
	5,639	18,795	(21,008)	3,426		10,509	(9,372)	5,639

Notes on Restricted Funds

1. Archbishop's Council	- Funding for Girls youth work zoo trip
2. Bentley Mission	- Weekend trip to support a church in Bentley with outreach
3. Birmingham road trip	- Excursion to Birmingham with Youth Group
4. Blessing Boxes	- Funding for Community Aid/Covid related
5. Chorley Wood	- Funding for the worship coordinator's salary and other associated costs
6. Christmas Meal	- Funding for Christmas celebration
7. Festivals	- Funding to take young people to Soul Survivor festival
8. Gary Grants Youth Workers Salary	- Funding for Youth Workers Salary
9. Groundworks	- Funding towards starting a project to support parents nd carers of young people with mental health challenges
10.Hymns Ancient & Modern	- Worship Expenses
11. Life	- Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
12. Love Stevenage	- Ecumenical project to run a fun day
13. Men's Night Football	- Men's Monday Night Football project - outreach
14. New Court	- Church reopening after Covid
15. R.B. Barnwell	- Boys lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
16. R.B. Boys Nights	- Funding for Stevenage wide boys youth nights
17. R.B. Radiant Materials	- Materials for girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
18. R.B. Radiant Snacks	- Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
19. Radiant	- Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
20. Radiant TA Stevenage Council	- Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
21. Radiant Youth Work	- Girls emotional health drop in lunchtime group in Stevenage secondary schools
22.Saturday Celebration	- Celebration for Saturday
23. Saunders Worship	- Funding to take Young people to Festivals
24. Scripture Union	- Funding for our Children and Families service
25.Verulam Trust	- Radiant work with girls
26. Youth Community	- Youth Community Food
27. Youth Community Games	- Youth Community Games
28. Youth Community Squash	- Youth Community Squash
29. Worship 2021	- Worship in 2021

Note 11 – Designated Funds

	At 1 January 2021	Income	Expenditure	Gains, losses and transfers	At 31 December 2021	At 1 January 2020	Income	Expenditure	Gains Losses and Transfers	At 31 December 2020
All Churches Trust		1445	(1,445)		0					
Aspire Draspes	1800				1,800	1800				1800
Birmingham Road Trip	96		(96)		0	0	191	(95)		96
Isolation	38				38	0	1,068	(1,030)		38
Love Stevenage	0				0	0	220	(220)		0
Oak Tree Action	9	9	(9)		9	0	1,600	(1,591)		9
Saundersoin Festivals	360	208	(360)		208	360				360
Saunderson Training	136				136	141		(5)		136
Saunderson Radiant	510	380	(510)		380	805		(295)		510
Urban Action Trust	500				500	0	580	(80)		500
Youth Community	250		(250)			0	250			250
	3,699	2,042	(2,670)		3,071	3,106	3,909	-3,316		3,699

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| 1. Aspires Drapes | Funding for luxuries |
| 2. Birmingham Road Trip | Excursion to Birmingham with Youth Group |
| 3. Isolation | Funding for people isolating in Covid |
| 4. Love Stevenage | Ecumenical project to run a fun day |
| 5. Oak Tree Action | Worship Salary |
| 6. Saunderson Festivals | Funding to take the Youth Group to Festivals |
| 7 Saunderson Training | Staff Training |
| 8. Sunderson Radiant | Support for girls emotional health |
| 9. Urban Action Trust | Youth Work |
| 10. Youth Community | To spend on youth community |