

Registered Charity Number: 1165429

GOOD NEWS BRIGHTON
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021



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CHURCH INFORMATION 2021

Contact address

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Church address

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Hillview Centre

Hillview Centre
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Charity number

1165429

Charity trustees

Mr Jeremy Taylor (resigned 19 January 2022)
Mrs Sandra Taylor (resigned 19 January 2022)
Mr R Paul Craggs (resigned 19 January 2022)
Mr Neil Hilton
Mr Ian Coupland
Mrs Emily Kenward
Mr Stuart Murray-Williams (appointed 26 September 2021)
Mr Jon Bebb (appointed 11 November 2021)

Bankers

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Independent examiner

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Trustees' Report

The Trustees present their Annual Report and the Financial Statements of the Church for the year ended 31 December 2021.

1 Church history and Constitution

Good News Brighton is a pioneering church that was formally set up as a CIO in February 2016. Since inception we have slowly grown in terms of activities and the people we serve.

2 Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist Denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes at home and abroad.

3 Organisational structure

The day to day activities of the Church are overseen by Elders and Pastoral staff who report to the trustees.

4 The Trustees

Those who served during the year are as shown on Page 1.

Trustees are appointed by the existing trustees and are provided with appropriate training to undertake the role they will occupy within the church.

5 Review of activities

The church known as Good News Brighton was established by Neil Hilton in May 2015 with a church plant under the auspices of the Baptist Union operating from 15 Appledore Road, Brighton.

Neil Hilton is the Pastor/Minister in charge of the Church. The Church do provide accommodation for Mr Hilton so he can carry out his duties and responsibilities effectively.

Outreach, evangelism, and befriending of the community began and an official Church Trust was established with the formation of the charitable incorporated organisation on the 4th February 2016.

Good News Brighton started to lease a building from Brighton City Council in May 2017 at a peppercorn rate in the centre of Moulsecoomb. This building, Hillview Good News Centre, is the base for the charity's activities.

Various activities are undertaken as follows:

- Saturday church meeting: fellowship, worship, communion, studying the Bible and prayer; the meeting has been taking place via Zoom during times of social distancing.
- Good News Shed: mens DIY and handy group meets twice a week.
- Befriending: visiting isolated and lonely people. Neil Hilton visits isolated and lonely people two days a week, who have been referred by Time to Talk Befriending and through local connections. During times of social distancing, Neil has maintained telephone contact with his clients. Neil has started supporting residents from three locally supported housing units in Moulsecoomb during lockdowns.
- Chomp: in Moulsecoomb, one in every two children are classified as being in child poverty. Families on low income rely heavily on free school meals. The Chomp sessions provide community meals and activities for low income families during school holidays, which helps ease their tight budget. During lockdown, families have been provided with food and activity parcels when meeting in person was not possible.
- Counselling: subsidised, affordable counselling for local people.
- Discipleship groups: weekly meetings studying the Bible with individuals.
- Chaplaincy: Neil Hilton is the appointed chaplain at the local co-operative pub, The Bevy.
- Weekly Zoom prayer meetings with members of the Church meeting.

Trustees' Report

5 Review of activities (continued)

Good News Brighton continues to build stronger links and partnerships with other local churches, community groups and service providers, thereby becoming increasingly integrated into the Moulsecoomb community. A growing cross-over between the various activities is occurring, showing an integration of local community members into the life of Good News Brighton.

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, Good News Brighton were able to connect community groups together, so that we could plan and provide a joint response to the changing needs of the local community, particularly in helping support those in isolation and struggling with poverty. The day to day running of Good News Brighton adapted, with Neil Hilton being in telephone contact with the Good News Shed attendees, providing support to his befriending clients via telephone and visiting in the outdoors when possible. The Saturday church meeting continued over Zoom, and an additional prayer support group started over Zoom midweek. Counselling sessions continued over the phone when possible. Chomp families were supported via phone, as well as providing them with food and family activity hampers and Christmas hampers, as well as a socially distanced pre-booked Summer Event. Neil Hilton's chaplaincy work increased during this time, as many people struggled with mental health difficulties and loss of loved ones. As social distancing fell away, Good News Brighton's activities adjusted accordingly, such as limiting the number of Good News Shed participants, and meeting outdoors weather permitting for Church meetings. Neil's chaplaincy and pastoral work has increased as people emerged from isolation, as many people were struggling with increased mental health difficulties.

6 Public benefit

The trustees have complied with the duty in section 17(5) of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission and believe that the objectives and activities of the church are for the public benefit.

7 Review of financial position

There was a deficit on General funds of £2,935 for the year. The balance on hand of General funds at 31 December was £4,816.

8 Risk management

The church has considered the risks it may face and confirm that systems have been established to mitigate them.

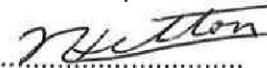
9 Reserves

The church endeavours to maintain cash resources to cover at least six months operating expenditure.

11 Independent examination

J R Caladine FCCA CTA FCIE was appointed during the year to undertake the Independent Examination.

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Neil Hilton
Trustee

Date: 12/05/2022

Independent Examiner's Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Good News Brighton

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Good News Brighton ('the CIO') for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the CIO you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the CIO's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the CIO as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records.

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



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Date:

12 May 2022

Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £
Receipts						
Donations	555	1,218	1,773	42	2,274	2,316
Grants	15,667	20,700	36,367	25,477	26,200	51,677
Total receipts	16,222	21,918	38,140	25,519	28,474	53,993
Payments						
Ministry and support services:						
- Shared Administration	-	1,500	1,500	1,157	-	1,157
Salaries	-	7,200	7,200	-	7,200	7,200
Pension	-	504	504	-	504	504
Travel	-	1,200	1,200	-	1,200	1,200
Training and networking	-	-	-	40	-	40
Rent	18,000	-	18,000	18,000	-	18,000
Manse Expenses	1,027	1,250	2,277	3,472	-	3,472
IT and Stationery	-	379	379	270	-	270
Insurance	-	503	503	-	500	500
Accountancy	120	1,200	1,320	1,560	-	1,560
Legal & Professional fees	-	-	-	660	-	660
Telephone and internet	-	235	235	-	402	402
Chomp costs	-	3,425	3,425	-	5,886	5,886
Church premises rates and utilities	-	2,811	2,811	-	3,770	3,770
Repairs and renewals	-	2,615	2,615	-	-	-
Good News Shed project	-	23	23	-	140	140
Subscriptions	-	343	343	254	-	254
Counselling & Mentoring	-	250	250	-	630	630
Equipment	-	-	-	258	-	258
Hospitality and Entertaining	10	-	10	127	-	127
Total payments	19,157	23,438	42,595	25,798	20,232	46,030
Net movement in funds	(2,935)	(1,520)	(4,455)	(279)	8,242	7,963
Cash funds b/f at 1st January 2021	7,751	18,776	26,527	8,030	10,534	18,564
Cash funds c/f at 31 December 2021	4,816	17,256	22,072	7,751	18,776	26,527

The notes on page 7 form part of these Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities


	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<u>ASSETS</u>				
<u>Monetary Assets</u>				
Cash at Bank and in hand				
Current Account		<u>22,072</u>	<u>26,527</u>	<u>26,527</u>
		<u>22,072</u>		<u>26,527</u>

LIABILITIES

Creditors

Accountancy Fee/Independent Examination	<u>840</u>	<u>840</u>
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Approved by the Trustees on 12 / 05 / 2022


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Neil Hilton


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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared as a Receipts and Payments in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

Funds

General funds represent monies received that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for applications on the general purposes of the church. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the church are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

2. Transactions with trustees and related parties

The church has provided accommodation for its pastor, Neil Hilton (a trustee), at a cost of £18,000 to enable him to carry out his duties more effectively. This rent was paid to trustee Mr R Paul Craggs and his wife.

3. Restricted funds

The funds of the charity include funds comprising the following restricted funds:

	Movements in funds				
	Balance at 1 January 2021	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Balance at 31 December 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Chomp Fund	5,497	5,718	6,175	-	5,040
Befriending Fund	2,702	10,200	10,404	-	2,498
Good News Shed Project	2,897	4,000	4,273	-	2,624
Counselling & Mentoring Services	2,900	-	450	-	2,450
Hillview Good News Centre Fund	2,780	2,000	2,136	-	2,644
Administrator	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
	18,776	21,918	23,438	-	17,256

Chomp Fund

Chomp represents monies given for free community meals and activities for low income families during school holidays.

Befriending Fund

Befriending represents monies given to enable the charity to visit isolated and lonely people.

Good News Shed Project

This fund represents monies given towards the mens DIY and handy group.

Counselling & Mentoring Services

These services are provided by two core members of Good News Brighton, one of whom is a BACP registered qualified counsellor. This allows Good News Brighton to provide subsidised short-term and open-ended counselling and mentoring to local children, adolescents and adults.

Hillview Good News Centre Fund

This fund represents the cost of running the premises used as the base for the charity's activities.

Administrator

This fund represents monies given towards the cost of employing a part-time administrator.

4. Commitments

The charity extended the lease until 30 November 2022 for the use of the premises at Hillview Centre, Hodshrove Lane, Brighton, BN2 4SE, at a peppercorn rent.