

ROSEHILL BAPTIST CHURCH TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT YEAR END 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Deacons have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity Name	Rosehill Baptist Church (CIO)
Charity registration number	1165714
Principal office	Healey Grange Rosehill Road Burnley BB11 2JS

THE DEACONS

The Deacons who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Revd L Bowtell (Minister)
Miss L Dun (Secretary)
Mrs V Wood (Treasurer)
Mrs Sue Wall
Mr Ian Palmer

PROPERTY TRUSTEES

North Western Baptist Association

Bankers	Barclays Bank plc, Burnley, Lancs CAF Bank Limited, Kings Hill, West Malling,
Independent Examiner	Alison Pickford

Charitable Object

The principal purposes of the church are:

- 1) the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination.
- 2) the church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

Organisational Structure and Decision-Making Process

Rosehill Baptist Church is governed by its constitution as a CIO. The Managing Trustees of the charity are the Deacons, Treasurer and Secretary who are elected by the members of the Church at the Annual General Meeting. In addition, the Minister who is a post holder, is also a Trustee. Trustees are given relevant guidance documents, especially when appointed for the first time. The Charity Trustees meet six weekly and have an obligation (subject to any overriding legal binding requirement to the contrary) to take note of the directions and requests of the Church Members' Meeting. The Church Meeting meets six weekly and receives recommendations and updates from the Trustees. The Church Meeting accepts new members who are Christians and usually Baptised by immersion. Following the lock down and because some of our Deacons were shielding, all Deacons' meetings have been via zoom. These have been held as and when they have been needed rather than at 6 weekly intervals. Because we could not meet in person, we have not held Church Meetings since the lockdown in March.

Risk Management

The Deacons have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the Charity faces and confirms that systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. Policies for safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults are in place. All our youth and children's workers have contracts for their work and hold Enhanced CRB Disclosures. Those involved with catering for the church have Food Safety Certificates and we follow 'Safer Food Better Business'. We never anticipated the risk of a global pandemic.

Objectives and Activities

The vision of the Church is to be 'a caring welcoming community, reaching out into our neighbourhood and beyond, transforming lives with the Good News of Jesus.'

We seek to foster and develop a faith community in order to serve the community of Rosewood (Rosehill and Healey Wood). We aim to build community and be a catalyst for positive transformation of our neighbourhood. We provide a building, as a community hub, to effectively serve the needs of the Church and local community. We aim to be the heart of our neighbourhood and to demonstrate that the message of Jesus is Good News to all people: irrespective of race, religion, age or gender. We also engage in Burnley Borough, the national and global context with relevant partners.

The Church maintains a public service of worship on a Sunday morning at 10.45am which is open to all. The service is advertised by notice board and a newsletter delivered locally. In addition, the church gathers at other times in a variety of settings for social and spiritual

development of the faith community. We also work in partnership with other churches to deliver a worship night as a resource to local churches. We serve Rosewood (Rosehill and Healey Wood) by providing a number of big community events through the year. We also provide a toddler group, children's activities and additional social activities for the community. We work in partnership with Calico Homes and their community engagement strategy.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commissioner's guidance on public benefit in carrying out the activities of the charity.

Achievements and Performance

2020 has been an unprecedented year. Following the outbreak of Covid 19 and the Government response we were required to stop all of our activities. The last worship night we held in March was a very poignant time, not knowing when we would be able to meet in person again. The Minister was planning a Sabbatical in May, June and July. People had been booked in to lead services and arrangements made to continue the Monday night kids work. It became clear that the activities planned by the Minister for his Sabbatical couldn't happen in lockdown and there was a need for the Minister to be available to people of the church through the pandemic. Guidance made it clear that not only were gatherings not allowed but neither was pastoral visiting.

In the first instance the Minister wrote a weekly reflection with YouTube song suggestions. Contact with the congregation was limited to phone calls. It wasn't until September that we were able to meet together in person, and we did this in partnership with Haslingden Baptist Church in their building. In order to involve people who were not able to meet with us in person, the service was streamed on Zoom via a laptop. In October we began to meet at Healey Grange in rotation with Haslingden again also streamed on Zoom. This made it possible for people unable to travel to Haslingden or access zoom to attend a service. We looked at the risk factors for the building and put in mitigating strategies to protect people. These included: a one-way system, 2-meter social distancing, hand sanitizer and a requirement to wear masks. We were frustrated by the restriction on singing and were restricted to playing music for people to listen to and reflect on. Toilets were limited to emergency use only and only one was left open. Because we were only using the building occasionally, it allowed Covid to dissipate. Attention was given to cleaning surfaces.

Following its forced closure, we felt that the Monday Night Kids work had come to a natural conclusion and the majority of workers felt they didn't want to or weren't able to continue

involvement. This left it unviable. We have done good work with disadvantaged people and provided good support and opportunity for people to experience the good news of Jesus.

Little steps were disappointed to have to close. We have been looking for the right time to restart this, but with high Covid rates in Lancashire this hasn't been possible in 2020.

The prayer groups that meet on-line have continued unabated and we are grateful for the people committed to praying together for the church and community. We took small groups on-line and felt that although not perfect were better than not meeting and offered some advantages to people who found travelling to Rosehill for a group difficult. In the summer when it seemed rates were going down, we were able to have café for a few weeks and have hybrid small groups. Meeting in person was a breath of fresh air and welcomed. As we went back into local lockdown these had to stop.

Maintaining the building is a considerable challenge. The cost of repairs has been kept to a minimum through the year. We are attempting to develop the cyclical maintenance fund to provide for future repairs. We didn't get any rental income after March, and this had a slight impact on income. On the other hand, we didn't have the utility costs we would normally incur when using the building regularly.

We support the work of the Baptist Union of Great Britain through Home Mission and BMS World Mission. The Basement Youth UK chose to furlough its staff and so has not operated in 2020 following the lockdown.

In August we had two volunteers run a takeaway service. We did this as a trial, but it came to an end in September. We also provided cooked meals over half term for two weeks in October and November. This was done in partnership with the owner of The For All's Pub.

Renting out accommodation at Woodland Gardens is an important source of income for the church and makes it possible to continue to employ the minister for more than one day a week. The accommodation is fulfilling a need in the rental sector and providing a high-quality living experience for the residents who live there. When we went into lockdown Woodland Gardens was considered one household. Unfortunately, there was a disruptive tenant who we had to help move on and the result was for us to pay for him to find other accommodation. We didn't want changes in residents during lockdown and so we aimed to keep a stable situation. We didn't have as many tenants as we would have liked and this was affected by lockdown, furlough, the closure of business and people not coming to the town on placements. We have been able to offer pastoral care to individual residents and support them in maintaining their accommodation. Management of the building and pastoral care is provided primarily by the Minister and can take up to a day a week. This role was challenging during lockdown.

Financial Review

The main expenditure for the church is the funding of an accredited Baptist Minister which has been maintained at .75 of stipend. We also provide deficit contributions to the Baptist Union pension fund. The minister is a post holder. This is a key role carrying much responsibility including: leadership, preaching and teaching, pastoral care, training leaders, coaching, developing new strategies, building links with the community, maintaining ecumenical links, supporting the use of the building – conducting weddings, funerals, baptisms and dedications.

The other key expense is the Healey Grange Community Venue. The running, upkeep and maintenance of the building as a good facility for use by the church and the community require continual outlay of funds.

The main income is from renting Woodland Gardens and giving by the congregations of Rosehill Baptist Church (this has been declining in recent years as the size of the church has reduced). Other income comes from sale of goods, letting of the building and grants.

Income through donations has been good because people primarily give via the bank and not in person. The pension deficit contribution for the last six months of 2020 was reduced by half.

The statement of financial activities shows a deficit of £2482.02 for the year.

Net assets at the year-end amounted to £375,613.95

The Pension Deficit at a cessation event would be £56,600

Reserves

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the Charity, at a level which equates to approximately £12,000. This would provide sufficient funds to enable the current activities of the charity to be continued in the event of a reduction in the level of giving or lack of occupation of Woodland Gardens.

Land and Buildings

The value of Healey Grange used for the church and the surrounding grounds is in excess of that stated in the accounts. The legal title of Healey Grange, Rosehill Road, Burnley, BB112JS is registered at the Land Registry in the names of the Property Trustee and is free from mortgage.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEACONS

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.)

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Deacons to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of the resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Deacons are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Make collaborative decisions as a group
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Deacons are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. The Deacons are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

We have adopted a simple income and expenditure model of accounting.

Signed on behalf of the Deacons



Leroy Bowtell
Chair
4th August 2021

Rosehill Baptist Church CIO Accounts 1 January 2020 To 31 December 2020

Income	2020	2019
Donations		
Weekly Offerings	16,277.34	16,376.21
Income Tax Recovered (Unrestricted)	4,090.78	2,464.18
Other Donations	-	-
Unrestricted Income		
National Insurance Reclaimed	1,837.08	1,860.30
Bank interest received	36.61	139.05
Room Hire	290.00	2,271.67
Utilities Transfer From Wing Operations	8,400.00	8,400.00
Wing Operations Transfer to General Funds	12,000.00	12,000.00
Wing Operations	5,937.50	11,136.87
Sale of goods and services (Little Steps surplus)	53.89	1,287.74 **
Sale of goods and services	-	856.20
Maintenance Fund transfer from Unrestricted	4,000.00	4,000.00
Other unrestricted income	5,616.16	1,315.49
(includes Outhouse development - all income is expensed)		
Restricted Income		
Restricted Grants and Event Funds	-	2,900.00
Home Mission	65.00	80.00
BMS	462.72	75.00
Income Tax Recovered (Restricted)	75.68	115.45
Other Restricted	-	-
Total Income	59,142.76	65,278.16
** Little Steps Surplus for 2019 is shown differently to last years accounts		
Expenditure	2020	2019
Minister - Stipend, Nat Insurance, other expenses	22,245.17	22,963.92
Pension Contributions	6,896.22	7,523.40
Utilities	12,112.74	12,900.65
Maintenance	2,877.00	1,956.50
Administration	423.30	568.01
Insurance	1,827.77	1,806.43
Supplies	288.82	376.70
Mission And Community	482.02	2,092.81
Unrestricted transfer to Maintenance Fund	4,000.00	4,000.00
Expenditure On Sale of goods and services	234.98	-
Wing Operations	3,818.89	5,599.46
Wing Building	-	-
Sundries	6,186.88	1,177.02
(includes Outhouse development - all income is expensed)		
Paid to Other Causes		
Home Mission	-	-
BMS	-	-
Other causes	-	-
Total Expenditure	61,393.79	60,964.90

Income / Expenditure Summary

	2020	2019
Income	59,142.76	65,278.16
Expenditure	(61,393.79)	(60,964.90)
Amounts falling due within one year	(230.99)	-
Total	(2,482.02)	4,313.26

Assets

	At 31 Dec 2020	At 31 Dec 2019
Bank and Cash	7,168.75	9,642.35
BU Account GB038	11,211.53	11,174.92
CAF Bank Account	18,539.66	18,353.70
Organ	100.00	100.00
Investments	-	-
Church premises	338,825.00	338,825.00
Amounts falling due within one year	(230.99)	-
Total Value Of Assets	375,613.95	378,095.97
Change in Value Of Assets	(2,482.02)	-

Liabilities

Baptist Pension Scheme Deficit	56,600.00	54,000.00
(Due on Pension Scheme Cessation Event)		
Amounts falling due within one year	(230.99)	-
Equity	319,244.94	324,095.97

Total Liabilities and Equity

Total Liabilities and Equity	375,613.95	378,095.97
Change in Liabilities and Equity	(2,482.02)	-

Breakdown Of Funds

	2020	2019
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted Funds	5,696.06	11,792.10
Designated		
Maintenance Fund	8,334.06	7,211.06
Wing Operations	20,868.31	18,749.70
Restricted		
BMS Funds	973.84	452.94
Home Mission Funds	273.75	191.25
Value of remaining grant monies	773.92	773.92
Other Assets		
Church buildings and equipment	338,925.00	338,925.00
Amounts falling due within one year	(230.99)	-
Total Funds And Remaining Grants Monies	375,613.95	378,095.97
Change in value of funds and grant monies	(2,482.02)	-

Restricted Grants

	Remaining Monies	Value Of Grants
Grants - Calico 2019 - Bonfire	50.00	350.00
Grants - Calico 2019 - Kids Club	429.32	900.00
Grants - Calico 2019 - Lunch Club	-	500.00
Grants - Calico 2019 - Leaflet Printing	294.60	450.00

Rosehill Baptist Church CIO
Declaration from Trustees And Independent Examiner

The attached accounts for Rosehill Baptist Church CIO are as approved by the Deacons and relate to the period starting on 1st January 2020 and ending on 31st December 2020

Signed *N. Wood*

Position *Deacons / Treasurer*

Signed *B. Bantall*

Position *Chair*

Date *21/9/21*

In accordance with the provision of section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, I have examined the attached accounts for Rosehill Baptist Church CIO relating to the period starting on 1st January 2020 and ending on 31st December 2020
This examination did not extend to a comprehensive audit.

I confirm that the Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet accord with the accounting records of the church, and that such records satisfy the requirements of the Act.
I am not aware of any matter to which attention needs to be drawn in order to obtain a proper understanding of the accounts.

Signed

A. Rickford
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Independent Examiner

Date

21-9-21