

# Hackney Vineyard Church

Report and Accounts

Year ended 05 April 2021

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**HACKNEY VINEYARD CHURCH**  
**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021**

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	Flat 38, Cottrill Gardens Marcon Place LONDON E8 1NY
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO - Constitution dated 30 March 2016
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1166271
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Mark Ensing (Chair) Jason Cooper David Crisp
BANKERS	CAF Bank Ltd
ACCOUNTANT	Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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# Trustees Annual Review 2021

## Objectives and Activities

To advance the Christian religion for the public benefit in accordance with the statement of faith adopted by the charity in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world through:

- a) The organisation and provision of Christian worship;
- b) The provision of such facilities and services as are appropriate for the church, to enable it to fulfil its mission to the members of the church, visitors to the church and the local community and the wider community;
- c) The provision of facilities for Christian training and service
- d) The support of Christian evangelism and outreach

## The activities which help the church fulfil these objectives are:

- Regular Sunday worship which is held at a local Community Centre
- Bible study and prayer groups in church members homes/ online
- Debt Centre, which is run in partnership with the national charity, Christians Against Poverty, offering professional advice to those in the local community struggling with debt issues.

## Achievements and Performance

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, we were unable to meet on Sunday mornings in person. The Pembury Community Centre remained closed throughout the financial year. However, we did meet online via zoom and attendance at these meetings was good. Regular sermons were posted to YouTube and Facebook. Some of these messages had a very large number of views particularly at the beginning of the lockdown.



Some Life Groups met in person when government guidelines permitted, and we had a church picnic during the summer which was well attended.

We also had a weekly Thursday evening prayer meeting online which was a real help, particularly to those who were living alone.

Pastoral visits were made, when regulations allowed it, prioritising those who struggled to access meetings online. Sometimes these were done while walking in local parks. This was a real lifeline to some members of the congregation

For a time, debt counselling was able to continue in partnership with Christians Against Poverty and another local church, Frampton Baptist church. This was a source of relief to members of our local community whose financial difficulties had been exacerbated by the pandemic.

## **Financial Review**

Giving within the church remained stable throughout the year although very little was received in the way of cash offerings due to the lack of 'in person' gatherings. The church is registered with HMRC and the recoverable Gift Aid for the financial year is £1,121, which was received after the year end.

Current reserves policy is to maintain 3 months unrestricted expenditure which equates to approximately £2,500. The unrestricted funds balance at the year-end was £2,755.

## **Trustees Responsibilities**

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 and any other irregularities.

In planning the activities, the Trustees have applied the guidance on Public Benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

## **Approval**

This report was approved by the trustees on 25th November 2021

Mark Ensing Chair of Trustees

## **ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF AN UNAUDITED CHARITY**

### **Accountant's Report to the Trustees on the Preparation of the Unaudited Statutory Accounts of Hackney Vineyard Church for the period ended 05 April 2021.**

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Charities Act 2011, we have prepared for your approval the accounts of Hackney Vineyard Church for the period ended 05 April 2021 as set out on pages 5 to 7 from the accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

This report is made solely to the Trustees of the charity, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of the charity and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the Trustees of the charity. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its Trustees as a body for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that the charity has kept adequate records and to prepare statutory accounts that meet the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 for the charity. You consider that the charity is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year and is eligible to prepare 'Receipts and Payments' accounts.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or review of the accounts of the charity. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory accounts.

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Date: 01 December 2021

**HACKNEY VINEYARD CHURCH**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
		General Funds	Designated Funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income receipts</b>						
Donations		9,808	-	-	9,808	10,496
Gift aid receipts		1,191	-	-	1,191	3,869
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>10,999</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,999</u>	<u>14,365</u>
<b>Payments</b>						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	9,941	-	-	9,941	16,461
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>9,941</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,941</u>	<u>16,461</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		1,058	-	-	1,058	(2,097)
Transfers between funds	5	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>1,058</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,058</u>	<u>(2,097)</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		1,697	-	-	1,697	3,793
<b>Cash funds at this year end</b>	A	<u>2,755</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,755</u>	<u>1,697</u>

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

**HACKNEY VINEYARD CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021**

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	General funds	Designated funds	funds	£	£
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>A Cash funds</b>					
Cash at bank	2,755	-	-	2,755	1,697
	<u>2,755</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,755</u>	<u>1,697</u>
<b>B Other monetary assets</b>					
Gift aid due to charity	1,122	-	-	1,122	1,191
	<u>1,122</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,122</u>	<u>1,191</u>
<b>C Liabilities</b>					
<b>Falling due within one year:</b>					
Unpaid expenses	252	-	-	252	-
Unbilled fee for Accounts Preparation	390	-	-	390	390
	<u>642</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>642</u>	<u>390</u>
<b>D Assets retained for charity's own use</b>				Value 2021	Value 2020
				£	£
Equipment				2,000	2,000
				<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>

The trustees have used insurance values as the trustees are unable to reliably estimate current values; insurance values may differ materially from current values.

**E Guarantees and secured debts**

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf

by MARK ENSING date 25 November 2021

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

**HACKNEY VINEYARD CHURCH**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 05 APRIL 2021**

**1 Accounting policies**

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>	<u>Total 2020</u>
	<u>General funds</u>	<u>Designated funds</u>			
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<b>2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly</b>					
Employment costs	7,709	-	-	7,709	9,274
Rent	1,733	-	-	1,733	6,000
Telephone and website	-	-	-	-	80
Insurance	-	-	-	-	275
Subscriptions and fees	129	-	-	129	772
Accounts preparation	300	-	-	300	-
Other costs	69	-	-	69	60
	<u>9,941</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,941</u>	<u>16,461</u>

**3 Transactions with related parties**

The charity has one employee, David Crisp, a trustee, to whom the employment costs above refer. The amounts paid are permitted by the governing document.