

**Taunton
Church of the Nazarene**

**Board of Trustees' Report
and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 September 2022**

Registered Charity: 1166295

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**Taunton Church of the Nazarene –
Report of the Board of Trustees for the Year Ended 30 September 2022**

The Board of Trustees presents its report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name: Taunton Church of the Nazarene
Charity Registration Number: 1166295
Principal Address: Bathpool Chapel, Bridgwater Road, Taunton TA2 8BD

Board of Trustees

Rev Tassadaq Naomi Gull	Chairperson	Appointed 18 December 2017
Rose Crowie	Board Member	Appointed 23 February 2020
Linda Hancock	Board Member	Appointed 23 February 2020
Kathy Jones	Board Member	Appointed 23 February 2020

Rose Crowie	Treasurer	Appointed 15 March 2019	resigned 4 April 2022
Helen Clegg	Treasurer	Appointed 4 April 2022	
Linda Hancock	Secretary	Appointed 23 February 2020	Resigned 1 st July 2022

Holding/Custodian Trustee

Church of the Nazarene British Isles South District (A Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee: Company No 7028764)

Website: Not applicable

Bankers: Lloyds Bank, 31 Fore Street, Taunton (Branch Sort Code: 30-98-45)

Independent Examiner: Not required as total income for the year ended 30 September. 2022 below £25,000

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Structure, Governance, and management

Structure and Organisation

The charitable organisation was set up on 31 March 2016 with excepted charitable status under a model trust deed dated 16 February 1953 and became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 31 March 2016 with registration number 1166295.

Trustee Appointments

The Pastor of the church is ex-officio Chairperson of the Board of Charity Trustees, and her position is reviewed after two years and then every four years after that.

The remaining Trustees are elected annually by the members of Taunton Church of the Nazarene at the annual general meeting held in January/February each year.

Governance and Wider Network

The Board of Trustees meets regularly, normally monthly to consider the work and management of the church and assess and plan the financial and other aspects of the work and direction of the charity.

The church/CIO is a member of the Church of The Nazarene British Isles South District (a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee, Company No 7028764; Charity No 1133336) which in turn is a member of The Global Church of The Nazarene which has its headquarters in Lenexa, USA.

The CIO is governed by an approved governing constituting document drawn up by Anthony Collins, Charity Solicitors, Birmingham and approved by the Charity Commission for England and Wales and HMR&C. The governing document is based on the Manual of the Global Church of The Nazarene where UK law permits.

Risk Management

The risk management strategy of the church is in a continual process of formulation in response to the changing circumstances that could impact upon the work of the church.

The Board of Trustees, in considering this important task, take direction from on-going discussions with members both internally and through meetings with the Church of The Nazarene British Isles South District and other advisers, adopting appropriate policies as required or as they become necessary to the ongoing work of the church.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable Objectives

The charity has the following objectives:

- a) The advancement of the Christian faith as part of the Global Church of The Nazarene and the Church of the Nazarene British Isles South District.
- b) To serve and enhance the local community.

What – Education, training, and recreation

Who – Children, young people, elderly people, other defined groups and the general public

How – Provides buildings, facilities, services, advocacy, advice and information

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Objectives and Activities (continued)

Public Benefit

The Trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit reporting in deciding what activities the charity should undertake. This report illustrates the activities undertaken to support the public benefit requirement.

Review of the Year Ended 30 September 2022

During the Lockdown, the aims for the period included:

- Continuation of weekly Christian worship meetings on Sundays and Bible Study and courses on Zoom, which included multinational meetings to promote the Christian faith in accordance with the principles of the Church of The Nazarene.
- Promotion of a Community Prayer Garden adjacent to the Chapel which remained open for the public to visit and the Chapel with face masks and hand gel and greatly reduced number of chairs for social distancing for use by all. We continued to write a monthly article in the local village magazine to encourage the community to join us online or to visit the prayer garden.
- We were not able to develop personal links with the local community during Lockdown but instead took care of the elderly people in our church 'bubble' by supporting them with hospital visiting, meals, phone calls, shopping etc.

Achievements during the period include:

- Continuation of regular prayer group meetings and quarterly meetings
- B1 all churches together met weekly on Zoom.
- Multinational Christian Fellowship was started and continues Zoom.
- Still celebrated birthdays and anniversaries at the Chapel with social distancing when restrictions were lifted.
- IT connections and installation of new sound system upgraded.
- Redecoration of interior of Chapel completed.
- Renovations and repairs of Iron gates and railings and some plaster work.

Volunteers

The work planned, activities undertaken, and achievements attained, would not have been possible without the active involvement and work of members and friends of the charity. The Board of Trustees is grateful their work support Taunton Church of The Nazarene both locally and further afield.

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Financial Review

Reserves

The charity does not have a policy on reserves as the expenditure and work of the charity is reliant upon the ongoing support, tithes and offerings of the members and friends received at the weekly meetings or directly through the bank. The Board of Trustees reviews on a bi-monthly basis the anticipated income and expenditure for the next two to three months in order to ensure the ongoing work of the charity.

Financial Review for the Year

The charity has continued to meet and tailor the expenditure it incurs to the income received through tithes, offerings, and donations received. There is much more that the Board of Trustees would like to do and we continue to explore these and the use of possible grants that may be available to enable plans to become a reality.

The reserves that had been built up became depleted during Lockdown with very little income being generated. The Pastor is no longer receiving a stipend and works part time, to enable the missional work of Taunton Church of The Nazarene to continue.

Plans for Future Periods

The Board of Trustees continue to meet on a bi-monthly basis to plan and look to the future of the charity.

- a) Pay the domestic & mission budgets in full if possible.
- b) Continue with outreach ministry on the existing and new housing estates in the area.
- c) Corporate prayer meetings.
- d) Source funding through grants and donations to replace deteriorating windows, rotten floorboard and upgrade the kitchen area.
- e) Plans to adopt a community initiative to collect isolated people to the chapel for tea cake and chat.
- f) Rent the room to local Recovery College for workshop use.
- g) Develop closer links with local primary school.
- h) Encourage the youth to use the premises for music practice.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees on 27 July 2023

Rev. T Naomi Gull
(Chair & Trustee)



Rose Crowie
(Trustee)



**Taunton Church of the Nazarene
Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ended 30 September 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds 2022	Unrestricted Funds 2021
Receipts		
Tithes & Offerings	2,456	3,989
Rents received	2,750	-
Grants received	-	8,764
Gift Offering	277	555
Other Income	1,905	-
Transfers from Deposit	11,594	-
Total Receipts	18,984	13,308
Payments		
Church Utilities	801	413
Manse Utilities	-	-
Chapel/Manse Insurance	565	711
Licences	129	1,057
Chapel/Manse Repairs	12,153	1,532
Pastor Office equipment	-	521
Pastor training	-	105
Pastor Car Insurance	740	404
Church District Budgets	325	838
Events payments	64	60
Pastor Car Expenses	319	-
Miscellaneous	355	-
Transfer to Deposit	11,595	-
Total Payments	27,237	5,641
 Change in income over expenditure for the year	 (8,254)	 7.667
Balance brought Forward	11,722	4,055
Balance carried Forward	3,468	11,722

**Taunton Church of the Nazarene
Assets and Liabilities
As at 30 September 2022**

	2022	2021
Cash funds		
Lloyds current account	3,468	8,222
Lloyds Savings account	0	3,500
Total Funds held	3,468	11,722
Fixed Assets		
103 Bridgwater Road, Taunton, TA2 8BD	220,000	220,000
Total Assets	223,468	231,722

Represented by

Unrestricted Funds		
General Fund	3,468	11,722
Designated Fund- Capital Fund	220,000	220,000
Total including designated Funds	223,468	231,722

The Charity also owns property known as Taunton Church of the Nazarene on Bridgwater Road, but no original cost details pertaining to this property are available.

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Notes to Accounts for the Year Ended 30 September 2022

Purpose of Funds

General Fund

This is unrestricted funds for use to achieve the aims and objectives of the charity.

Capital Fund

This is an unrestricted fund designated to hold the freehold value of the manse.

Trustee Remuneration & Expenses

During the year Naomi Gull, the Pastor, was paid remuneration of £0 (2021 £0) and pension contributions of £0 (2021£0).

The Pastor was reimbursed expenses totalling £1,394.54 (2021 £925) during the year.