



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1-Jul-2022** Period start date To **30-Jun-2023** Period end date

Charity name: **The Church in Manchester**

Charity registration number: **1166488**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The charity's object is the advancement of the Christian faith. Toward this goal, the charity works to facilitate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the preaching of the gospel,• the spiritual nourishment of the new believers,• the perfecting of all believers to be living, functioning members in the Body of Christ, <p>by holding meetings for prayer, for remembrance of the Lord and for prophesying unto mutual encouragement, exhortation and building up,</p> <p>by seeking to raise up and support full time workers,</p> <p>by supporting works to spread the gospel both locally and abroad, and</p> <p>by regular and frequent fellowship with other churches throughout the earth for the practical keeping of the oneness of the Body of Christ universally.</p> <p>Please note: The Church in Manchester (capital C) is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) registered with and regulated by the Charity Commission. In contrast, the church in Manchester (small c) is an inclusive description encompassing all believers in Christ residing within the city of Manchester.</p> <p>The Church in Manchester (herein referred to as "the charity") is a legal incorporation in the secular realm which facilitates the outward activities of the church in Manchester, a human and divine incorporation in the spiritual realm.</p>

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The main activities of the charity in relation to the public benefit are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Facilitating the preaching of the gospel, and the cherishing and nourishing of the believers in Christ as well as those seeking to know Him. 2) Organising various meetings for Christian fellowship and edification, both locally and further abroad. 3) Covering the costs of transport and attendance at meetings, conferences and other times of fellowship, where this is deemed necessary and beneficial to the fellowship among the churches and the building up of the believers. 4) Raising up and supporting full-time Christian workers. 5) Supporting the fund-raising efforts of other charities with similar purposes and objects to those of the Church in Manchester.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The trustees have received the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The trustees have had regard for this guidance in approving all activities and expenditures of the charity.</p>

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The charity's financial support has been instrumental in allowing members of the church in Manchester to participate in larger conferences and gatherings for maintaining the one fellowship in the one Body of Christ by contributing to transport costs and other expenses. 2) The charity has continued to increase support for full-time Christian workers – those who work full-time for the advancement of the Christian faith. In addition to existing support of a Christian worker in coordination with the Church in Ipswich, we also contributed to the support of other Christian workers through Amana Trust. 3) The charity has continued to provide financial and logistical support to facilitate Christian meetings and events in Manchester and the north of England.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The charity experienced a 22% increase in income over the previous year. But there was also a 93% increase in expenditure over the previous year, driven mostly by increases in support for Christian workers and transport costs to facilitate church members to participate in regional conferences and blending meetings. However, because this increase was from a low level last year there was still an £8.75K excess of income over expenditure during the year ending 30 June 2023.</p> <p>Total funds at the beginning of the year were £79,529 and at the end of the year to 30 June 2023 were £88,279.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>Since nearly all income to the charity is from one off donations the trustees have strived to maintain a high level of reserves – typically around 12 months operating costs. The Trustees believe this level of financial security is important to allow planning for future activities and a buffer for an unanticipated increase in expenses or drop in income.</p> <p>In addition, because the charity is hoping to acquire a property to support our activities we have allowed our reserves to increase further in anticipation of this large expense.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£64,380 in general funds. The charity holds a further £23,900 in restricted funds, the majority of which is in the building fund.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A
Details of Trustee compensation		The Trustees of the Charity are volunteers working free of charge for the public benefit in advancing the objects of the Charity. They do not receive any compensation.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		N/A
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation).
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	In accordance with the charity's constitution: "Trustees must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees." In re-appointing serving Trustees at the end of their tenure, or in appointing new ones the Trustees select and approve individuals who are willing and able to support the charity in the carrying out of its objects, as outlined in its constitution and summarized at the start of this document.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	In accordance with our objective to advance the Christian faith by maintaining and nurturing the one fellowship of the one Body of Christ, The Church in Manchester coordinates many of its activities and meetings with like minded charities and unincorporated community organisations. This includes, but is not limited to, Amana Trust, the Church in London, the Church in Birmingham, the Church in Liverpool, the Church in Leeds, the Church in Nottingham, the Church in Glasgow, the Church in Ipswich, and the Church in Sheffield.
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Church in Manchester
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1166488
Charity's principal address	17 Mawson Road Manchester M13 9HG

**Names of the charity trustees
who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Stephen Frost	Chair	Whole year
2	James Moes	Secretary	Whole year
3	Jonathan Ong		Whole year
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
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Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

James Moes,
Stephen Frost,
Jonathan Ong

Full name(s)

James Moes,
Stephen Frost,
Jonathan Ong

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Secretary,
Chair,
Trustee

Date

20/01/25

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/07/22	To	Period end date 30/06/23
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to the nearest	Restricted to the nearest £	Endowment to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
General Giving	25,771		-	25,771	19,348
Support for Full-timers		2,325	-	2,325	2,450
Extra-local Causes		125	-	125	330
LSM Training Donations		-	-	-	-
Local Purposes		5,000	-	5,000	5,000
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for	25,771	7,450	-	33,221	27,128
A2 Asset and investment sales,					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	25,771	7,450	-	33,221	27,128
A3 Payments					
Meeting	5,387		-	5,387	4,086
Local Gospel Support	-		-	-	
Travel & Transport	3,921		-	3,921	297
Supporting Full-timers	11,500	2,300	-	13,800	6,800
Extra-local Causes	176	455	-	631	1,050
LSM Trainings		-	-	-	-
Governance & Support	731		-	731	448
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	21,715	2,755	-	24,470	12,680
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	
Total payments	21,715	2,755	-	24,470	12,680
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,056	4,695	-	8,751	14,447
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	60,324	19,205	-	79,529	65,082
Cash funds this year end	64,380	23,900	-	88,279	79,529

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	HSBC Account	155	-	-
	Barclays Account	64,225	23,900	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	64,380	23,900	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Unrestricted funds
to nearest £

OK

Restricted funds
to nearest £

OK

Endowment funds
to nearest £

Details

B2 Other monetary assets

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

Details

B3 Investment assets

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-

Details

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
BFE Bible Distribution Kit	-	100
Wireless multi-function printer	-	100
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-

Details

B5 Liabilities

Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	-	
	-	
	-	
	-	
	-	

Signed by one or two trustees on

Signature

Print Name

Date of

James Moes

James Moes

11/2/25

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHURCH IN MANCHESTER

I report to the trustee on my examination of the accounts of The Church in Manchester (charity) for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustee of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 11 February 2025