

Trustees' Report 2021

King's Arms Community Church (KACC) is a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), as defined in our constitution dated 19 April 2016.

The Trustees remain unchanged for the year; being Walter Leach (Pastor/Elder), Tom Allen (Elder – on Sabbatical) and John Wood (Financial Controller). The Trustees meet as required for the regulation of the Charity and the Elders/MLT typically meet monthly for the purpose of providing Spiritual leadership as defined in the constitution.

Our bankers are:

Lloyds Bank
55 Newerne Street
Lydney
GL15 5RA

Our accounts are audited by:

Mr. M Wakerley CA
Details as provided in the Audit Report.

Our principal meeting is on a Sunday at 10:30 and held in:

Lydney Youth & Community Centre
Naas Lane
Lydney
GL15 5AT

The aim of KACC is:

To provide an active Christian witness and presence to Lydney, and the surrounding area, that proclaims the good news of salvation by grace through Jesus Christ.

The principal activities of KACC are to:

- Provide regular public Christian worship, open to all, that includes:
 - Sung worship
 - Preaching of scripture
 - Prayer
 - Sunday school classes for children
 - Opportunity to fellowship
- Teach Christianity through sermons, courses and small group Bible study, fellowship and prayer meetings in members' houses during the week.
- Conduct pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved.
- Encourage the youth that attend the Church to live by a Christian ethos.
- Support the whole mission of the Church by supporting other charities and missionaries, both overseas and in the UK.
- Meet practical local needs as they become apparent and deemed appropriate by the Elders.
- Engage with our community through supporting the Community Centre in which we hold our services, and with ad-hoc initiatives as different needs become apparent.



King's Arms Community Church

Summary of 2021:

2021 continued to see disruption to our regular meeting, as we emerged from the main restrictions of COVID. Although many still were very cautious, decisions had to be taken 'on-the-fly' as the outlook was uncertain. Our general strategy was to plan one month at a time.

Our morning services restarted with about a 50% decline on pre-Covid numbers, but improved through the year. We restarted our monthly Encounter evening service, and this again saw an erratic attendance; to the point where we decided to continue for the calendar year and then review in January 2022 if this was an initiative that we should continue.

Alongside our Sunday livestream, we released some specific teaching online that saw a wider audience than would attend Church. The primary theme was "Being Spiritually Minded".

For Christmas 2021 we repeated the Starlight campaign (as per 2020) and encouraged people to put stars in their decorations, and ran a competition for the best entries. Unlike 2020, where we announced the winners through an online service, we opted not to hold our own carol service but do a joint venture with the other Churches in Lydney and hold an open-air carol service in Bathurst Park. Although the weather was poor the attendance was estimated at 200+ people, which is much higher than any other service we have done. The gospel was preached and there was much positive feedback from the wider community.

In 2020 we decided to delay our planned Alpha Course, which was initially scheduled for October 2020, to January 2021 so that it could run following the Starlight initiative. The Alpha course was attended by most Church members and several guests, including guests from overseas. The course was well received and drew several people closer to Jesus and helped the understanding of the gospel with some of our newer believers. After Alpha, several requested a further online course and therefore we ran the Prayer Course by Peter Grieg.

The Church continues to support the Forest Foodbank through assisting with deliveries. The Church also continues to make both physical and monetary donations to the Foodbank (much of this was direct from the individuals).

Our links to Regions Beyond have been invaluable in providing support and encouragement to the leadership, and we were able to support Churches on different continents through gifts via Regions Beyond.

Our finances remain strong, although we have had people move on who were significant givers to the Church. Several new people have joined, which has largely mitigated that financial loss.

The most significant undertaking of 2021 was the employing of a Children's Family Minister. King's Arms set aside a maximum of £10,000 to support this role and undertook the employment responsibilities even though the position is to work for all of the Churches in Lydney. The success of this role will depend on the willingness of the wider Church to provide the ongoing finance and work with the role to build positive relationships in the community and bring the gospel to those that we currently have no link to.

Pastor's Statement

During 2021, Mr. Tom Allen has taken a break from the role of an Elder (but still operates as a Trustee) leaving myself as the only functional Elder. To fill this space, more responsibility has been placed on the members of the MLT (Ministry Leadership Team) which they have, by and large, responded excellently to. There is still a sense of gathering our vision and purpose as we enter 2022 and we remain prayerful as to how we respond to the ever changing and uncertain outlook in the economy and world affairs.

Statement of Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations. Under charity law the Trustees must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and the group, and of their net outgoing resources for that period.

In preparing these accounts, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts
- prepare the accounts on the going-concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions, and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The accounts were approved and duly signed by the Board of Trustees at a Trustees' meeting held on 18 July 2022.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Kings Arms Community Church

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/01/2021

To

Period end date
31/12/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Cash Offerings	1,382	-	-	1,382	3,405
Giving via Stewardship (with gift aid)	32,416	-	-	32,416	38,225
Miscellaneous Gifts	3,111	-	-	3,111	50
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	36,909	-	-	36,909	41,679
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	36,909	-	-	36,909	41,679
A3 Payments					
Room Hire	800	-	-	800	997
Speakers, preachers & worship leaders	1,700	-	-	1,700	1,050
Church Events	-	-	-	-	103
Resources, training & conferences	778	-	-	778	642
Payroll Costs	5,016	-	-	5,016	-
Professional fees & services	23,051	-	-	23,051	21,769
Software & performance licenses	1,226	-	-	1,226	1,239
General operating costs	950	-	-	950	383
Gifts, grants & donations	6,350	-	-	6,350	6,350
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	39,870	-	-	39,870	32,533
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Lighting	-	-	-	-	-
Stage equipment	-	-	-	-	-
PA & AV Equipment	-	-	-	-	338
Signage	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	338
Total payments	39,870	-	-	39,870	32,871
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,961	-	-	- 2,961	8,808
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	77,156	-	-	77,156	68,348
Cash funds this year end	74,195	-	-	74,195	77,156

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash	-	-	-
	Lloyds Curr Account	74,195	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	74,195	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Cost (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Cost (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	Amount due (optional)
	Accounts Payable	General	-	1,542
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
KINGS ARMS COMMUNITY CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1166620

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts 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 accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 20/06/2022

Name: MATTHEW WAKERLEY

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
Address:	WOODLAND HOUSE, BOWSON SQUARE
	BREAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE
	GL15 6LB

Section B	Disclosure
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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