

Luton Worship Centre

Trustees Annual Report for the period 01/03/2021 To Period end date 28/02/2022

Charity name: Luton Worship Centre

Charity registration number: 1166848

Address: 49 Old Bedford Road,
Luton, LU2 7NX
Bedfordshire

Structure, Governance and management

Luton worship Centre is governed by a constitution which was adopted on 1st March 2016 and the day-to-day management of the charity is carried out by Trustees or volunteers.

There are three Trustees currently who are relied on for the day-to-day management of the charity with the Chairman also acting as the administrator. The charity also has members who are relied on running the meetings on a weekly basis. The Trustees are accountable to the members by way of an Annual General Meeting.

Trustees are appointed by the Chairman in consultation with the other Trustees.

Additional Governance issues

We have several policy documents in place and among them is the policy for the protection of vulnerable children and adults.

We partner with Luton churches Together for opportunities for ministry and improvement of the welfare of the residents in need of physical, spiritual or material things.

Luton Worship Centre has leased its current office from The Diocese of St Albans. The charity's operations and weekly activities are performed from this location.

Objectives and activities

Luton Worship Centre opens its doors to members of the public who are able to meet each Sunday of the year to hear the word of God being taught and to socialise with other members after the services. In addition to this Sunday service the charity facilitates mid-week meetings as well.

Activities include: creation of forums for teaching from the bible, entertainment and a forum for socialising through meeting new people. The premises multipurpose hall has been and continues to be used for training young people on skills for life which include: employability, security and provision of social healthcare. These courses are facilitated by external agencies.

We also managed to sign a lease to 49 Old Bedford Road, Luton, LU2 7NX which means now the church and the charity will have a more permanent home.

Guidance of Public Benefit

The Trustees have paid close attention to ensure that activities and spending of the charity only focus on needs that fall within the guidance issued by the charity commission on public benefit.

Contribution made by volunteers

Unpaid volunteers and Trustees have made a significant contribution in the operations of Luton Worship Centre in the last financial year. Successful completion of the activities of the charity have been made possible by the hard work.

Achievements and Performance

During this financial year the charity raised £23,774. This included fund raising for Evangelism for the amount of £9,155. These funds are set aside and used to fund evangelist outreaches.

Policy for holding reserves

Reserves are needed to bridge the gap between the spending and receiving of income and to cover unplanned emergency repairs and other expenditure. Trustees recommend an unrestricted fund of about £3,000 to be held at any given time to cater for maintenance and emergency repairs.

The charity's principal sources of funds

The charity's principal source of funds was donations from members, hall hire and offerings during Sunday service meetings. During this financial year, the breakdown was as below:

Donations from members	£8,470
Hall hire	£4,755
Offerings	£394
Evangelism	£9,155
Office rent/storage	£1,000
TOTAL	£23,744

Receipts and payments for this financial year are shown below:

<i>From 1st March 2021 to 28th February 2022</i>	
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS	
RECEIPTS	£
Donations	8,470
Hall Hire	4,755
Evangelism	9,155
Offering	394
Office rent/storage	1,000
Total	<u>23,774</u>
PAYMENTS	
Parking	(9)
Print & Stationery	(52)
Hospitality	(147)
Property maintenance	(423)
Bank charges	(24)
Utilities	(4,351)
Holy communion	(78)
Media	(269)
Evangelism	(4,100)
Software	(250)
Welfare	(772)
Insurance	(257)
Transport and Honararium	(1,000)
Rent	(9,500)
Total	<u>(21,232)</u>
Surplus	<u>2,542</u>

Investment policy

The assets invested in are for the benefit of the members and the general public. There were improvements to the premises which included fencing

and gates at the front of the church and the back. These were funded by the landlord.

Names and address of advisors

Advisor	Type	Address	Account
NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK PLC	Bank	4 High St N, Dunstable LU6 1JU	41358139
Paulyn Karanja (ACMA, CGMA)	Accountant	27 Lowry Drive, Houghton Regis LU5 5SJ	


Names of the charity Trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Fredrick Akandi	Chairman	29 th April 2016 to 28 th February 2022	Fredrick Akandi
John Mburu	Member	29 th April 2016 to 28 th February 2022	
Raymond Parkes	Member	29 th April 2016 to 28 th February 2022	
Oluwafunmilayo Vaughn	Member	20 th January 2020 to 28 th February 2022	

Declaration

Signed on behalf the Charity's trustees

Trustee name			
Name	Fredrick Akandi		

Signature			
Date	31/12/2022		

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From 01/03/21 to 28/02/22

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Categories	Details	Total to the nearest £ Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		
	TOTAL	
B5 Liabilities		-
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Signature
