



KYRENIA

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East
Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf

St Andrew's Church Kyrenia UK Charity. Registered Charity No 1167054

Trustees Report - Year Ending December 31st 2023

1. Introduction

Charity Details

- St Andrew's Church Kyrenia UK Charity.
- Registered Charity No 1167054
- Registered at All Hallows by the Tower, London.
- Registered with HMRC 26.10.16 Ref: EW58375
- Contact details: 4 Stanley Crescent, Holyhead, Ynys Mon LL65 1DD
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2. Structure and Governance

Trustees as at 31.12 23

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| • John Worton-Griffiths | Chair |
| • Revd Alev Mitchell | Trustee |
| • Grahame Ash | Trustee - Church Treasurer |
| • Linda Smith | Trustee |
| • Anne Lloyd | Trustee |
| • David Wilde | Trustee |
| • Shane Barnes | Trustee |

There are no committees or sub-groups.

Governance

The Trustees meet twice a year and can attend in person or via Zoom, with all actions formally minuted. Agendas are issued prior to the meetings and minutes are duly approved by the trustees at the following meeting.

A copy of the approved minutes is sent to the Secretary of St Andrew's Church Council.

Meetings in 2023 took place on **12.6.23 & 23.10.23**

Shane Barnes resigned as Church Treasurer in April 2023, but remained a trustee.

Grahame Ash took over as Church Treasurer and joined the Trustees.

Amanda Warrender resigned as a trustee.

New trustees are recruited by invitation of the existing trustees from within the body of St Andrew's Church. They are known to the existing trustees and are usually recruited on the basis of a particular skill or experience they have to offer.

3. Objectives and Activities

The mission of the Charity is :

To promote the ministry and work of St. Andrew's Church, Kyrenia by raising, holding and dispersing funds to build the mission and work of St. Andrew's Church, Kyrenia within the Anglican Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf in the Episcopal Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

Activities and Achievements in 2023

- Regular Sunday worship (Service of Holy Communion)
- Additional special services in Advent, at Christmas, in Lent and at Easter, including a joint Advent Service with the Noregian Church Abroad.
- Additional special services as required (Bishop's Retirement, Installation of new Priest, Baptisms, Memorial Services, etc)
- Social and cultural events taking place in the church and church hall, including 'Music Week' in October.
- Regular fellowship in the church hall after Sunday services and at social events.
- Advent Bible Study group, meeting at The Hermitage
- Fundraising and support for charities (e.g. Red Crescent Appeal for Turkish Earthquake, Harvest Festival donations for Tulips Charity for cancer sufferers in N Cyprus, Poppy Appeal, etc)
- Use of church premises by other Christian groups for worship, including a Francophone African Church and a Russian Evangelical Church.
- Restoration, refurbishment, decoration and furnishing of 'The Hermitage' (aided by a grant from the *Jerusalem and the East Mission Trust - see below for details), to provide a home for the new priest and a resource for the church community.
- Recruitment, appointment and installtion (June 2023) of a new priest on a 'House for Duty' basis, with a 3 year contract. Revd Alec Mitchell is a retired priest, formerly in the Diocese of Manchester.
- Provision of expenses for the priest

Public Benefit

- St Andrew's is the only Anglican Church in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus with an ordained priest and thus provides ministry for a large geographical area of the island.
- Services are attended by worshippers from many parts of the world, who live, work in or visit the Kyrenia area: UK, Ireland, Germany, Norway, Russia, Ukraine, Turkey, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Nigeria, DRC, Phillipines.
- Worshippers come from a variety of Christian traditions, including Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic and Orthodox. The church provides worship and also

fellowship and belonging for people a long way from home - particularly students and migrant workers.

- Centrally located, the church provides a hub and focus for Christians in and around Kyrenia.
- St Andrew's publicises regular and special events through its website and Facebook page. Facebook posts are shared to other local groups, to extend our reach to others in N Cyprus.
- All members of the community are invited to worship with us and use our facilities. Services and events are publicly advertised.

4. **Financial Review**

The Charity Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2023 are attached (independently examined by Keith Bristow FCA)

- **INCOME for 2023 was £29,742 and EXPENDITURE was £36,013**

Income

- As of September 2023, regular monthly giving was £662 (compared with £540 at the end of 2022)
- As of December 2023 there were 14 regular donors (compared with 15 in 2022)
- Regular standing order gift-aided donations totalled £8,062
- Gift Aid envelope donations totalled £1,004
- We received two one-off donations to support Music Week
- HMRC paid £2,201 Gift Aid to the charity on donations
- The charity was a convenient way to receive the JEMT* grant of £14,504 to assist with restoration of The Hermitage

Expenditure

All payments made by the Charity were at the request of the Church Council and in accordance with the Charity purposes and governing document, where the UK Charity account was considered the most convenient means of delivering these payments.

- Synod costs for our representative were £600
- During the year £35,000 was transferred to the Church Cyprus account for Hermitage restoration
- Bank charges were £78

This overview puts 2023 in context:

St Andrew's UK Charity Account – Unity Bank				
Year	Income	Expenditure	Balance	Notes
2023	29,742*	36,013**	61,078	*Includes £14,504 JEMT Grant **Includes outlay on The Hermitage
2022	12,716	3,615	67,349	
2021	5,604	3,811	58,249	Covid
2020	23,146	6,749	52,644	Covid 3 x one-off donations totalling £12,000
2019	18,580	14,957	29,499	
2018	22,527	10,365	25,876	
2017	13,456		14,006	
2016	500	0	500	

- Annual income has grown since Covid, but not reached pre-Covid levels.
The balance that has built up is due partly to decreased expenditure during Covid and the period when there was no paid priest, together with some specific one-off donations.
- St Andrew's UK Charity makes regular stewardship straightforward.
- Regular donations can be made by standing order by anyone with a UK bank account.
- Those who pay UK tax can also Gift Aid their donations.
- Gift Aid applications were made in 2023, where appropriate, at the designated times
- The Trustees continue to work to make church members aware of the importance of stewardship.
- The Trustees have discussed transferring some of the funds held in this account into a higher interest account
- We do not currently hold reserves or investments

5. Plans for Future Periods

Our objectives, as outlined in our mission statement (above) remain unchanged.

Our plans for the future include the continuation and development of:

- Regular Sunday worship (Service of Holy Communion)
- Special services in Advent, at Christmas, in Lent and at Easter, including joint services with other Christian Groups
- Special services for families/individuals as required (Baptisms, Memorial Services, etc)
- Continued upkeep and improvement of 'The Hermitage', providing a home for our priest - and a resource for the church community.
- Bible Study groups meeting through the year at The Hermitage
- Social and cultural events taking place in the church and church hall, including our 'Music Week' in October 2024, to follow the success in 2023 and earlier years.
- Regular fellowship in the church hall after Sunday services and at social events.
- Fundraising and support for charities
- Use of church premises by other Christian groups for worship.

6. Policies

St Andrew's Church Kyrenia UK Charity is a small organisation, which serves to promote the ministry and work of St. Andrew's Church, Kyrenia.

The policies of St. Andrew's Church and of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf apply to St.

Andrew's Church Kyrenia UK Charity

The charity has no employees and organises no activities (aside from its own meetings) independently of St. Andrew's Church.

7. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of St Andrew's Church Kyrenia UK Charity Trustees to act at all times in accordance with the Constitution of St Andrew's Church Kyrenia UK Charity, dated 11th May 2016.

Trustees must ensure that payments made by the Charity are at the request of St Andrew's Church Council and in accordance with the Charity purposes and governing document, where the UK Charity account is considered the most convenient means

8. Independent Auditor's Report

The Charity Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2023 are attached (independently examined by Keith Bristow FCA)

NOTE

****The Jerusalem and the East Mission Trust Limited (JEMT) and The Jerusalem and the Middle East Church Association (JMECA)***

The Jerusalem and the East Mission was established in the 19th Century, as a fund for the maintenance and development of the diocese.

*This later became **The Jerusalem and the Middle East Church Association** (Charity no. 248799). On July 1st, 2015 JMECA became a Limited Company Charity with, a new charity number (11584760) and a Company Number (09067852)*

The charity supports the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East and the Province of Alexandria.

The Jerusalem and the East Mission Trust Limited is a Trust Corporation established in 1929 to act as a trustee for charitable bodies. JEMT is not itself a charity, but a non-profit limited company that administers the assets of JMECA and a number of other charities that provide support for the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

St Andrew's Church Kyrenia UK Charity
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Accounts for the Year Ending 31st December 2023

Balance Sheet

Opening Balance 67,348.95

Receipts

Jerusalem and East Mediterranean Trust Grant
for Hermitage restoration, Accommodation
for St Andrew's House
for Duty Chaplain 14,504.28

NON GA Donations 2,737.00

GIFT Aid donations 8,062.80

HMRC refunds 2,200.91

Music week sponsorship 2,237.50

Excess of Expenditure
over Income -6,270.51

29,742.49

Closing Balance 61,078.44

Receipts and Payments Account

Payments

Donations to The Hermitage restoration,
accommodation for St Andrew's House for
Duty chaplain 35,000.00

Chaplaincy costs 317.00

Synod costs 600.00

Bank charges 78.00

General expenses 18.00

36,013.00

Signed

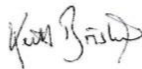


Treasurer

Statement by the Independent Financial Examiner

I have examined the accounts, records and bank statements which give rise to this report from the Treasurer of the Charity and in my opinion they represent a complete, true and fair position of the state of affairs of the Charity as the 31st December 2023.
The Charity has no undisclosed assets or liabilities.

Signed Keith Bristow FCA



Date

25/3/24