

FRESHBROOK CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1167735

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-06-20

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Freshbrook Church
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Activities

Objects: THE PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH ARE: 1. THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASIS OF FAITH PRIMARILY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN SWINDON AND THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBOURHOOD; AND2. SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS SHALL, IN THE OPINION OF THE MEMBERS OF THECHURCH IN GENERAL MEETING, PUT INTO PRACTICE THE TEACHING OF THE LORD JESUSCHRIST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASIS OF FAITH.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Swindon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£246,547	£278,524	-	-
2024-03-31	£247,996	£201,939	-	-
2023-03-31	£210,866	£190,077	-	-
2022-03-31	£205,102	£177,913	-	-
2021-03-31	£186,111	£164,989	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID DAVISON	Chair	2005-06-30
Christine Anne Davison		2018-05-30
Graham Nigel Bennett		2020-01-07
JOHN CULLIS		2023-07-18
Kyall Matthew Stead		2025-02-28
Laura Wood		2022-04-26
MARK DAVID WOOD		2015-04-30
NICOLA ANN COX		2016-01-31
Philip Andrew Bailey		2023-09-01
Stephen John Cox		2016-10-03

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD
01 APRIL 2024 TO 31 MARCH 2025
FOR
FRESHBROOK CHURCH**

Charity Information

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Trustees:

P Bailey
G Bennett
R Cheung
N Cox
S Cox
J Cullis
C Davison
D Davison
M Gresham (Resigned September 2024)
K Stead (Joined February 2025)
M Wood
L Wood

Chairman of the Trustees: D Davison

Registered Address:

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Wiltshire
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Achievements

The number of members of the CIO have on the whole stay stable, with people leaving and new people arriving.

During the year, as part of our 5-year programme of works, we continued to work on various aspects of the church fabric.

In addition to this general maintenance programme, we installed a new AV and PA system during this year.

Future Plans

The Trustees have continued to develop the ministry of the Church in line with the long-term plan for the Church.

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At 31 March 2025 the charity held cash funds of £74,533 in unrestricted funds and £15,404 in restricted funds.

Church Manse

The church still owns a manse, purchased in 2024, for the Associate Pastor and his family to live in. The church has a loan secured on the property, and an equity mortgage with trustee P Bailey and state that as at 31 March 2025, total loans outstanding are £268,211

Reserves

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Employees

The charity had seven paid employees during the year:

- Senior Pastor (full-time)
- Associate Pastor (full-time)
- Office Manager (part-time)
- Schools Worker (part-time)
- Community Worker (part-time)
- Connect 3:16 Co-ordinator (part-time)
- Cleaner/Caretaker (1 x part-time)

Transactions with Trustees and other Connected Persons

No Trustee receives any remuneration from the CIO for their role as a Trustee.

Trustees who are also employees receive remuneration solely in relation to their employment.

Approval of Report

This report was approved by order of the board of Trustees on 6th October 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



S Cox - Trustee and Church Administrator/Treasurer



D Davison – Chair of Trustees & Lead Pastor



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Freshbrook Church

No (if any)
1167735

CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-24	To	Period end date 31-Mar-25
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Freewill Offering and one off gifts	117,160	21,830	-	138,990	194,823
Tax recovery	28,633	7,123	-	35,756	29,632
Bank interest	2,332	-	-	2,332	1,891
Hire of hall and other income	11,150	-	-	11,150	13,710
Groups, and event income	37,044	-	-	37,044	7,940
Manse	-	21,275	-	21,275	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	196,319	50,228	-	246,547	247,996
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Bank Loan receipts	-	-	-	-	276,000
Sub total	-	-	-	-	276,000
Total receipts	196,319	50,228	-	246,547	523,996
A3 Payments					
Salaries (Charitable activities)	76,979	-	-	76,979	58,377
Worker Expenses	288	-	-	288	598
Direct charitable activities	30,444	49,091	-	79,535	51,342
Salaries (Support costs)	26,243	-	-	26,243	23,060
Office and administration	7,371	-	-	7,371	6,006
Other governance costs	6,727	-	-	6,727	4,849
Building Maintenance	23,333	-	-	23,333	11,220
Utilities and It	24,517	-	-	24,517	18,020
Manse purchase expenses, renovation and running costs	-	18,532	-	18,532	28,467
Sub total	195,901	67,623	-	263,524	201,939
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Property purchase	-	-	-	-	350,000
Bank loan repayments -Capital element	-	4,837	-	4,837	1,952
Bank loan repayments - Interest element	-	10,163	-	10,163	4,298
Sub total	-	15,000	-	15,000	356,250
Total payments	195,901	82,623	-	278,524	558,189
Net of receipts/(payments)	418	- 32,395	-	- 31,977	- 34,193
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	84,860	37,054	-	121,914	156,107
Cash funds this year end	85,278	4,659	-	89,937	121,914

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	CAF gold	22,937	4,659	-
	CAF Cash	20,625		-
	Kingdom bank	41,716	-	-
	Total cash funds	85,278	4,659	-

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

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Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £


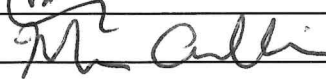
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Church building		-	3,785,818
	Manse		350,000	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Secured Loan		208,750	
	Equity Loan		46,000	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	DAVID DAVISON	6 OCT 25
	JOHN COLLIS	6/10/25



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Freshbrook Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1167735

Set out on pages

1 & 2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 03 / 2025

**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**

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants for England and Wales (ICAEW)

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: 11/09/2025

Name:

Jonathan Skinner

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Institute of Chartered Accountants for England and Wales (ICAEW)

Address:

Lane House, Gills Hill Lane

Radlett

WD7 8DD

Section B

Disclosure

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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Tax recovery	29,632	-	-	29,632	24,305
Bank interest	1,891	-	-	1,891	542
Hire of hall and other income	13,710	-	-	13,710	11,602
Groups, and event income	7,940	-	-	7,940	16,670
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	153,584	94,412	-	247,996	210,866
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Bank loan receipts	276,000	-	-	276,000	-
Sub total	276,000	-	-	276,000	-
Total receipts	429,584	94,412	-	523,996	210,866
A3 Payments					
Salaries (Charitable activities)	58,377	-	-	58,377	40,075
Worker Expenses	598	-	-	598	739
Direct charitable activities	42,172	9,170	-	51,342	65,322
Salaries (Support costs)	23,060	-	-	23,060	22,712
Office and administration	6,006	-	-	6,006	5,344
Other governance costs	4,849	-	-	4,849	4,496
Building Maintenance	11,220	-	-	11,220	26,324
Utilities and It	18,020	-	-	18,020	25,346
Manse purchase expenses, renovation and running costs	28,467	-	-	28,467	-
Sub total	192,769	9,170	-	201,939	190,358
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Property purchase	350,000	-	-	350,000	-
Bank loan repayments - capital element	1,952	-	-	1,952	-
Bank loan repayments - interest element	4,298	-	-	4,298	-
Sub total	356,250	-	-	356,250	-
Total payments	549,019	9,170	-	558,189	190,358
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 119,435	85,242	-	- 34,193	20,508
A5 Transfers between funds	82,105	- 82,105	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	155,505	602	-	156,107	135,599
Cash funds this year end	118,175	3,739	-	121,914	156,107

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	Kingdom bank	40,400	-	-
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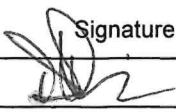
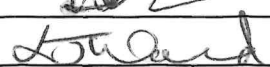
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Money raised on behalf of other charities		1,729	
	Secured Loan		228,047	
	Equity Loan		46,000	
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			-	

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	J. DAVISON	2/2/24
	L. J. WOOD	2/12/24

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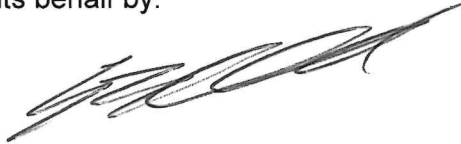
Transactions with Trustees and other Connected Persons

No Trustee receives any remuneration from the CIO for their role as a Trustee.

Trustees who are also employees receive remuneration solely in relation to their employment.

Approval of Report

This report was approved by order of the board of Trustees on 02 December 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



S Cox - Trustee and Church Administrator



D Davison – Chair of Trustees & Lead Pastor



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Freshbrook Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1167735

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(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 31/03/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

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- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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Signed:

Date:

09 December 2024

Name:

James Gare

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCA

Address:

Monahans

Hermes House, Fire Fly Avenue, Swindon, SN2 2GA

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1167735

Accounts

**FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD
01 APRIL 2022 TO 31 MARCH 2023
FOR
FRESHBROOK CHURCH**

Charity Information

Registered – 20 June 2016

Charity Number 1167735

Trustees: 01 April 2022 - 31 March 2023

G Bennett
R Cheung
N Cox
S Cox
C Davison
D Davison
M Gresham
A Martin (Retired October 2022)
M Wood
L Wood

Chairman of the Trustees: D Davison

Registered Address:

Worsley Road
Freshbrook
Swindon
Wiltshire
SN5 8NU

Bankers: CAF Bank Limited

25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner: Mr D Hempstock

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for this period.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023

Structure, Governance and Management

The church is established under a constitution adopted by Members on 17 April 2016, and became a Registered Charity on 20 June 2016 (and became active on 01 October 2016).

The Constitution defines the Charity Trustees as the Elders and Deacons. The Elders and Deacons are drawn from the membership and are confirmed by election at a Church Meeting in accordance with the Church Rules. The only exception to this would be if the Church Meeting were to appoint a new Pastor/Associate Pastor from outside the church membership who would upon appointment, immediately become an Elder and therefore a Trustee.

Church meetings are held on a quarterly basis.

New Trustees are provided with an information pack which includes copies of the Trust Deed, recent Trustees reports and information on Trustee responsibilities. They are also briefed by the Chairman of the Trustees.

Trustees are able to attend training seminars for Church Trustees as required.

Risk management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

It is still the case that the major risk to the charity is that church offerings do not keep pace with the expenditure of the church. There have, for the last few years, been adequate reserves to cope with this and the 2022/2023 financial budget was set with an aim of reducing reliance on our reserves.

Objectives

The charity (Church) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Registration with the Charity Commission under the Charities Act 2011 was completed on 01 October 2016. The purposes of the Church as stated in the CIO document are:

- 1) The advancement of the Christian Faith in accordance with its Basis of Faith, primarily, but not exclusively, within the town of Swindon and the surrounding neighbourhood.
- 2) Such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the membership of the Church in a general meeting, put into practice the teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ in accordance with the Basis of Faith.

The effective management of the Church is left with the Trustees. The Trustees are in turn accountable to the members of the Church in accordance with the Church constitution document.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023

Activities

The Trustees consider that the performance of the charity (Church) this year has been satisfactory.

We continue to broadcast our weekly services via YouTube and operated some group meetings on Zoom. This is particularly beneficial to those who are less able to get out or who are unwell.

The gospel has been preached faithfully throughout the year. In addition to the main Sunday Services, we have also continued with our popular family friendly Breakfast @ 9 programme.

Small Groups have also been run during the week enabling people to learn more about the Christian faith in an open and informal manner.

The Church continues to support mission work across the World. This includes long-term mission partners in Senegal and Columbia as well as short term partners in other parts of the world.

The Church usually provides activities for different age groups within the wider community, meeting specific needs, establishing contacts and building relationships. For example, there are groups for children and young people, parents and toddlers, day-time groups for older people and a seniors' lunch club held monthly and a weekly lunchtime 'Snack & Chat' meeting for local people.

Activities in local schools operate both independently and collaboratively with other agencies.

The church - in line with its objectives to undertake acts of kindness in the community:

- continues to be a nominated food distribution centre for Swindon Food Collective
- has opened an affordable food club for local residents on low income
- has created a welcome/wellbeing space for the community to use

The Church premises host numerous outside organisations, both secular and religious, throughout the year.

The Annual Christmas Market and Summer Bar-B-Q have proved very popular over the years and provide a successful link with the local community and other local Charities.

The volunteering of Church members in local initiatives such as Swindon Night Shelter and Swindon Street Pastors has also continued.

We continue to operate our wider Pastoral Care Team who are very much involved with helping those in need within our local community.

Achievements

The number of members of the CIO remained the consistent over this period.

During the year, as part of our 5-year programme of works, we continued to work on various aspects of the church fabric.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023

Future Plans

The Trustees have continued to develop the ministry of the Church in line with the long-term plan for the Church.

We are actively seeking an Associate Pastor to join the team.

The church is able to run a CAP Money Management Course when needed or in response to perceived needs in the community for awareness of financial planning matters.

Other initiatives will be developed in response to perceived needs within the church or community as they arise.

Financial Report

The Trustees review the finances regularly as part of the effective stewardship of the Church.

Further information on our accounts can be found in the Trustees Responsibilities section and the attached Financial Balance Sheet.

However, both Income and Expenditure for the General Fund of the Church remained at similar levels to 2021/2022. This was helped by one off donations/bequests.

Depreciation of fixed assets

Assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful life (usually assumed to be 5 or 10 years depending on the items). Items of equipment costing less than £1000 are not included in the church assets.

Reserves

The Trustees consider it to be expedient, in the light of their Risk Assessment, to hold reserves equivalent to three months normal running costs for the Church. This equates to £33,432 this period. This provides sufficient funds to cover the administration, management and support costs in the event of a significant and sustained drop in income.

Investment policy and objectives

The Constitution authorises the Trustees to make investments using the general funds of the CIO. At present there are no investments. Part of the Church cash assets are held in a savings account which generates a nominal return and our plan is to close this down and move the funds into our general account to consolidate the funds available.

Church gifts and Missionary support

The Trustees consider and approve all Church gifts and Missionary support. Where a donor has specifically requested that part or all of their donation should go to a particular individual or organisation then this wish is respected provided that it accords with the aims and objectives of the Church. If it does not the donation will not be accepted by the Church.

Employees

The charity had seven paid employees during the year:

- Senior Pastor (full-time)
- Associate Pastor (full-time) VACANCY
- Office Manager (part-time)
- Schools Worker (part-time)
- Families Worker (part-time)
- Connect 3:16 Co-ordinator (part-time)

**FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023**

- Cleaner/Caretaker (1 x part-time)

Transactions with Trustees and other Connected Persons No Trustees received remuneration from the Church in 2022-2023 apart from those who are salaried employees.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. These include the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of Trustees on 04 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



S Cox - Trustee and Church Administrator



D Davison - Trustee & Lead Pastor

Freshbrook Church

Report and Accounts
Year Ended 31 March 2023

Balance Sheet

		2023		2022		2021	
				£		£	
Freshbrook church building - Insurance valuation		3,785,818.00		3,785,818		3,785,818	
Fixed Assets							
Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment							
Brought forward at net book value		21,877		20,640		24,446	
Add: Purchases in year				5,262		-	
Less: Depreciation charge for year		-3744.00	18,133	- 4,025	21,877	- 3,806	20,640
			3,803,951		3,807,695		3,806,458
Current Assets							
Cash & Bank balances:							
CAF High Interest Account			60,310		59,899		59,889
CAF Current Account							
General Fund		48,826		54,013		43,382	
Restricted Mission Fund		602		969		160	
Restricted Schools & Family Work		18,074				100	
Restricted Funds - Audio/Visual		19,070		20,000		250	
Little Freshers		699		210		226	
Snack & Chat		878		508		-	44,118
Connect 3:16		8,183					
Designed Gifts - other		-					
Restricted Fund		-	96,331	-	75,700		
Building Society		-		-		-	
Petty Cash			200		200		200
Open House Lunch		0			-		101
Total Funds carried forward			156,841		135,799		104,308
Less: Current Liabilities							
Designated Funds							
Holding Account			- 534		- 280		
Total Assets			- 3,960,258		3,943,214		3,910,766
Freshbrook Church Building			3,785,818		3,785,818		3,785,818
Capital and Provisions							
Brought forward		157,396		125,050		103,929	
Adjustment for rounding		-2		- 3			
Adjustment to 2020-21		0		- 102			
Fixed Assets Purchased		0		5,262			
Surplus/(deficit)		17,045	174,440	27,189	157,396	21,121	125,050
			3,960,258		3,943,214		3,910,868

Freshbrook Church

Report and Accounts
Year Ended 31 March 2023

Income and Expenditure Account

	2023	2022	2021
		£	£
Income			
Gifts and Offerings			
Freewill offering	115,797	116,495	132,550
Restricted Income	19,070	20,000	5,460
Tax recovery and interest	24,847	7,133	31,654
Restricted Mission Fund	13,777	20	4,140
Youth work	-	27,263	25
		10	
Other Income	37,375	34,181	12,282
Total Income for the year	210,866	205,102	186,111
Expenditure			
Charitable Activities			
Salaries	40,075	72,684	80,040
Worker expenses	739	958	1,254
Direct charitable activities	32,054	4,600	18,503
Restricted Funds	16,023	22,832	4,140
Designated Funds - other	16,964	12,351	-
	105,855	113,425	103,937
Governance Costs			
Salaries	22,712	22,896	20,015
Office and administration	5,344	3,789	4,542
Other governance costs	4,496	4,588	4,561
Building maintenance	26,324	8,360	11,391
Utilities and IT	25,346	13,488	16,737
	84,222	53,121	57,246
Fixed assets purchased in year		5,262	
Depreciation	3,744	4,025	3,806
Total Expenditure for the year	193,821	175,833	164,989
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	17,045	29,269	21,122

Freshbrook Church

Report and Accounts
Year Ended 31 March 2023

Statement of Financial Activities

		2023	2022	2021
INCOMING RESOURCES				
	NOTES			
Gifts and Offerings	1	£ 173,491	£ 170,921	£ 173,829
Other Income	2	£ 37,375	£ 34,181	£ 12,282
Total Incoming Resources		<u>£ 210,866</u>	<u>£ 205,102</u>	<u>£ 186,111</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable Activities	3	£ 105,855	£ 115,505	£ 103,937
Governance Costs	4	£ 84,222	£ 58,383	£ 57,246
Total resources expended		<u>£ 190,077</u>	<u>£ 173,888</u>	<u>£ 161,183</u>
NET INCOMING RESOURCES				
Funds Brought Forward	5	£ 135,519	£ 104,409	£ 79,483
Funds Carried Forward	6	£ 156,307	£ 135,519	£ 104,308
Net incoming resources		<u>£ 20,788</u>	<u>£ 31,110</u>	<u>£ 24,825</u>

Freshbrook Church

Report and Accounts
Year Ended 31 March 2023

Notes to the Accounts		2023		2022	2021
				£	£
1. GIFTS AND OFFERINGS					
Freewill Offering		115,797		116,495	132,550
Restricted Income		19,070		20,000	5,460
Restricted Mission Fund		13,777		7,133	4,140
Youthwork		-		20	25
Tax Refunds		24,305		27,263	31,627
Bank Interest		542		10	27
		173,491		170,921	173,829
2. OTHER INCOME					
Photocopying		47		38	98
Hire of Halls		10,752		10,133	7,370
Bookstall		803		524	43
Little Freshers (Baby and Toddler)		989		360	68
Snack and Chat		1,881		1,105	306
Catering		-		20	2
Breakfast at Nine		600		600	500
Women's Ministry		-		240	-
Tuesday Meeting		400		400	-
Connect 3:16		12,468		-	-
Schools & Families Work		319		11,971	100
Grants Received		-		8,764	3,679
Other Income		13		26	116
Designated Gifts - Other		9,103		-	-
		37,375		34,181	12,282
Total Income Received		210,866		205,102	186,111
3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES					
Salaries		40,075		72,684	80,040
Worker Expenses		739		958	1,254
Direct Charitable Activities		32,054		4,600	18,503
Restricted Mission Fund		13,778		22,832	4,140
Restricted Schools & Family Work		2,245		-	-
Little Freshers		500		400	-
Snack & Chat		1,411		823	-
YFC1		750		-	-
Breakfast at Nine		380		543	-
Women's Ministry		-		164	-
Tuesday Meeting		280		150	-
Connect 3:16		4,286		-	-
Designated Gifts - other		9,357		12,351	-
		105,855		115,505	103,937
4. GOVERNANCE COSTS					
Salaries		22,712		22,896	20,015
Office and Administration		5,344		3,789	4,542
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		84,222		58,383	57,246
Total Resources Expended		190,077		173,888	161,183
5. FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD					
CAF High Interest Account		59,899		59,889	59,862
CAF Current Account:					
General Fund		54,013		43,382	17,840
Restricted Mission Fund		969		160	181
Restricted Schools & Family Work		-		100	1,311
Restricted Funds - Audio/Visual		-		250	482
Little Freshers		210		226	44,219
Snack & Chat		508		-	292
Connect 3:16		-		-	-
Designated Gifts - other		-		-	-
Restricted Fund		20,000		-	-
Holding Account		- 280	75,420	-	-
Building Society		-	-	-	-
Petty Cash		200		200	200
Open House Lunch Club		-		101	101
Total Funds Brought Forward		135,519		104,409	79,907
6.3 FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD					
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Little Freshers		695		210	-
Snack & Chat		878		508	-
Connect 3:16		8,183		-	250
Designated Gifts - other		-		-	226
Restricted Fund		-	20,000	-	-
Holding Account		- 534.00	95,797	- 280	75,420
Building Society		-	-	-	-
Petty Cash		200		200	200
Open House Lunch Club		-		-	101
Total Funds Carried Forward		156,307		135,519	104,308



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Frershbrook Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1167735

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One and Two

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**Responsibilities and
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Signed:

Douglas Hempstock

Date:

28/12/2023

Name:

Douglas Hempstock

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Address:

29 Rycote Close

Grange Park

Swindon SN5 6AP

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FRESHBROOK CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1167735

Accounts

**FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2022**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD
01 APRIL 2021 TO 31 MARCH 2022
FOR
FRESHBROOK CHURCH**

Charity Information

Registered – 20 June 2016

Charity Number 1167735

Trustees: 01 April 2021 - 31 March 2022

G Bennett
R Cheung
N Cox
S Cox
C Davison
D Davison
J Edmonds (Retired 31/12/21)
M.Gresham
A Martin
M Wood
L Wood (Co-opted 07/03/22)

Chairman of the Trustees: J Edmonds (Replaced by D Davison 01/01/22)

Registered Address:

Worsley Road
Freshbrook
Swindon
Wiltshire
SN5 8NU

Bankers: CAF Bank Limited

25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner: Mr J Skinner

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for this period.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2022

Activities

The Trustees consider that the performance of the charity (Church) this year has been satisfactory.

We continue to broadcast our services via YouTube and operated some group meetings on Zoom. This is particularly beneficial to those who are less able to get out or who are unwell.

The gospel has been preached faithfully throughout the year. In addition to the main Sunday Services, we have also continued with our family friendly Breakfast @ 9 programme which has continued to be popular.

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The Church premises usually host numerous outside organisations, both secular and religious, throughout the year.

The Annual Christmas Market has proved to be very popular over the years and provides a successful link with the local community and other local Charities. This recommenced in November 2021 following a break during the pandemic.

The volunteering of Church members in local initiatives such as Swindon Night Shelter and Swindon Street Pastors has also recommenced this year following the pandemic.

We have developed a larger Pastoral Care Team who are very much involved with helping those in need within our local community.

Achievements

The number of members of the CIO increased slightly over the period.

During the year, as part of our 5-year programme of works, we continued to work on various aspects of the church fabric including the heating system within the building.

**FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2022**

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

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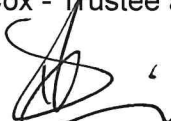
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Approved by order of the board of Trustees on 16 January 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



S Cox - Trustee and Church Administrator



D Davison - Trustee & Lead Pastor

Freshbrook Church

Report and Accounts

Year Ended 31 March 2022

Income and Expenditure Account

	2022	2021
	£	£
<u>Income</u>		
Gifts and Offerings		
Freewill offering	116,495	132,550
Restricted Income	20,000	5,460
Tax recovery and interest	27,273	31,654
Restricted Mission Fund	7,133	4,140
Youth work	20	25
Other Income	34,181	12,282
<u>Total Income for the year</u>	<u>205,102</u>	<u>186,111</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Charitable Activities		
Salaries	72,684	80,040
Worker expenses	958	1,254
Direct charitable activities inc Restricted Fund	6,680	18,503
Designated Funds - other	22,832	4,140
	12,351	-
	<u>115,505</u>	<u>103,937</u>
Governance Costs		
Salaries	22,896	20,015
Office and administration	3,789	4,542
Other governance costs	4,588	4,561
Building maintenance	8,360	11,391
Utilities and IT	13,488	16,737
	<u>53,121</u>	<u>57,246</u>
Fixed assets purchased in year	5,262	
Depreciation	4,025	3,806
<u>Total Expenditure for the year</u>	<u>177,913</u>	<u>164,989</u>
<u>Surplus/(deficit) for the year</u>	<u>27,189</u>	<u>21,122</u>

Freshbrook Church

Report and Accounts
Year Ended 31 March 2022

Balance Sheet

	2022		2021
	£		£
Freshbrook church building - insurance valuation	3,785,818		3,785,818

Fixed Assets

Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment				
Brought forward at net book value	20,640		24,446	
Add: Purchases in year	5,262		-	
Less: Depreciation charge for year	- 4,025	21,877	- 3,806	20,640
	<u>3,807,695</u>		<u>3,806,458</u>	

Current Assets

Cash & Bank balances:

CAF High Interest Account		59,899		59,889
CAF Current Account				
General Fund	54,013		43,382	
Restricted Mission Fund	969		160	
Designated Funds			100	
Parent and Toddler Group	210		250	
Snack and Chat	508		226	
Restricted Fund	20,000	75,700	-	44,118
Building Society		-		-
Petty Cash		200		200
Open House Lunch		-		101
Total Funds carried forward		<u>135,799</u>		<u>104,308</u>

Less: Current Liabilities

Designated Funds				
Holding Account	-	280		

Total Assets

<u>3,943,214</u>	<u>3,910,766</u>
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Freshbrook Church Building		3,785,818		3,785,818
Capital and Provisions				
Brought forward	125,050		103,929	
Adjustment for rounding	- 3			
Adjustment to 2020-21	- 102			
Fixed Assets Purchased	5,262			
Surplus/(deficit)	27,189	157,396	21,121	125,050
	<u>3,943,214</u>		<u>3,910,868</u>	

Freshbrook Church

Report and Accounts
Year Ended 31 March 2022

Statement of Financial Activities

		2022	2021
INCOMING RESOURCES			
	NOTES		
Gifts and Offerings	1	£ 170,921	£ 173,829
Other Income	2	£ 34,181	£ 12,282
Total Incoming Resources		<u>£ 205,102</u>	<u>£ 186,111</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable Activities	3	£ 115,505	£ 103,937
Governance Costs	4	£ 58,383	£ 57,246
Total resources expended		<u>£ 173,888</u>	<u>£ 161,183</u>
NET INCOMING RESOURCES			
Funds Brought Forward	5	£ 104,409	£ 79,483
Funds Carried Forward	6	£ 135,519	£ 104,308
Net incoming resources		<u>£ 31,110</u>	<u>£ 24,825</u>

Freshbrook Church

Report and Accounts
Year Ended 31 March 2022

Notes to the Accounts

	2022	2021
	£	£
1. GIFTS AND OFFERINGS		
Freewill Offering	116,495	132,550
Restricted Income	20,000	5,460
Restricted Mission Fund	7,133	4,140
Youthwork	20	25
Tax Refunds	27,263	31,627
Bank Interest	10	27
	<u>170,921</u>	<u>173,829</u>
2. OTHER INCOME		
Photocopying	38	98
Hire of Halls	10,133	7,370
Bookstall	524	43
Little Freshers (Baby and Toddler)	360	68
Snack and Chat	1,105	306
Catering	20	2
Breakfast at Nine	600	500
Women's Ministry	240	-
Tuesday Meeting	400	-
Grants Received	8,764	3,679
Other Income	26	116
Designated Gifts - Other	11,971	100
	<u>34,181</u>	<u>12,282</u>
Total Income Received	<u>205,102</u>	<u>186,111</u>
3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Salaries	72,684	80,040
Worker Expenses	958	1,254
Direct Charitable Activities	6,680	18,503
Restricted Mission Fund	22,832	4,140
Designed Gifts - other	12,351	-
	<u>115,505</u>	<u>103,937</u>
4. GOVERNANCE COSTS		
Salaries	22,896	20,015
Office and Administration	3,789	4,542
Other Governance Costs	4,588	4,561
Building Maintenance	8,360	11,391

Utilities and IT	13,488	16,737
Fixed assets purchased in year	5,262	-
	58,383	57,246
Total Resources Expended	173,888	161,183

5. FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD

CAF High Interest Account		59,889		59,862
CAF Current Account:				
General Fund	43,382		17,840	
Restricted Mission Fund	160	-	181	
Designated Funds	100		1,311	
Parent and Toddler Fund	250		482	
Snack and Chat	226	44,219	292	19,744
Building Society		-		-
Petty Cash		200		200
Open House Lunch Club		101		101
Total Funds Brought Forward		104,409		79,907

6.3 FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD

CAF High Interest Account		59,899		59,889
CAF Current Account:				
General Fund	54,013		43,382	
Restricted Mission Fund	969		160	
Designated Funds			100	
Parent and Toddler Fund	210		250	
Snack and Chat	508		226	
Restricted Fund	20,000			
Holding Account	-	280		44,118
Building Society		-		-
Petty Cash		200		200
Open House Lunch Club		-		101
Total Funds Carried Forward		135,519		104,308

Freshbrook Church 2021-22 Accounts - Summary Sheet

		Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Year	Adjustments	Revised	Notes	
Income																		
Freewill Offerings	General	11	8,482.00	7,670.00	7,134.00	8,102.00	8,049.75	9,121.00	9,454.81	7,554.00	9,197.21	8,870.00	8,010.00	8,392.00	100,036.77		100,036.77	
	One-off Gifts	11a	9,200.00	858.00		2,000.00				1,000.00		500.00	2,400.00	500.00	16,458.00		16,458.00	
Tax Recovery & Interest	Tax Refunds	19				18,012.26						9,250.71			27,262.97		27,262.97	
Bank Interest		18			1.51			1.51						5.57	10.08		10.08	
Youth Work		16									20.00				20.00		20.00	
Other Income	Photocopying	112	0.50	8.40	22.00			7.00							37.90		37.90	
	Hire of Halls	13		1,546.00		657.50	700.00	1,747.35	50.00	725.00	2,387.50	81.25	405.00	1,833.75	10,133.35		10,133.35	
	Bookstall	113			19.98		15.00	19.98	95.81	134.89	27.40	111.20	42.00	57.40	523.66		523.66	
	Catering	15									20.00				20.00		20.00	
	Miscellaneous	117		5.81		7.43				6.99		5.30			25.53		25.53	
Restricted Funds	Mission	12a	405.00	325.00	305.00	1,765.00	580.00	365.00	365.00	472.80	1,385.00	390.00	399.80	375.20	7,132.80		7,132.80	Jul-21 incl reallocation of giving re MC Hobbs from General
	Other	12b	150.00			100.00	977.65	-1,077.65						19,850.00	20,000.00		20,000.00	Mar-22 Leasav E20,000 restricted terms of use
	Grants Received	116	1,563.67	1,611.42	1,981.60	1,539.61	1,322.22	372.74	372.67						8,763.93		8,763.93	Job Retention Scheme
	Little Freshers	111		20.00	41.00	33.35	80.00	101.17	-50.00	239.00		50.00	150.00	160.00	360.00		360.00	
	Snack & Chat	14											230.00	195.00	1,104.52		1,104.52	
	Open House Lunch	115																
	Breakfast @ 9	114	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	600.00		600.00	
	Women's Ministry	17				139.02				63.00	8.00				240.02		240.02	
	Tuesday Meeting	118				400.00									400.00		400.00	
Holding Account		110	132.00	724.33	701.10	2,604.48	-25.02	371.00	1,717.97	257.00	3,339.14	389.00	1,405.00	355.00	11,971.00		11,971.00	
			20,003.17	12,839.96	10,215.19	34,764.20	11,418.40	13,134.40	11,978.61	9,495.69	26,388.44	12,361.45	10,697.10	31,803.92	205,100.53		205,100.53	
Expenditure																		
Charitable Activities																		
Salaries	Pastor	S1	4,685.02	2,793.43	3,555.58	3,555.58	3,679.58	3,647.47	3,604.67	3,991.32	4,179.46	3,740.01	3,207.77	3,207.37	43,847.26		43,847.26	
	Pastoral Worker	S2	453.47	315.33	387.90	386.10	386.10	386.10	386.10	386.10	386.10	385.90	386.30	386.10	4,631.60		4,631.60	
	Youth Pastor	S3	3,128.71	2,071.62	2,483.76	2,489.36	2,576.02	2,553.32	2,523.53	2,772.36	2,749.23	857.43			24,205.34		24,205.34	
	Trainee Pastor	S5																
Worker Expenses	Pastor	A5	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	97.95	50.00	50.00	50.00	70.00	80.00	50.00	697.95		697.95	
	Pastoral Worker	A6										80.37			80.37		80.37	
	Youth Pastor	A7	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00				180.00		180.00	
Direct Charitable Exps	Mission	C1	1,125.00	1,005.00	1,005.00	3,640.00	1,005.00	1,155.00	2,130.00	1,155.00	4,237.80	1,155.00	1,655.00	3,565.00	22,832.80		22,832.80	
	Evangelism	C2	13.00	89.00	28.00	117.00	228.00	215.04	-315.04	143.95	48.84	276.66	8.00	416.21	1,268.66		1,268.66	
	Youth/Childrens/School Work	C3a	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	189.13	51.00	27.42	21.00	115.53	21.00	21.00	551.08		551.08	
	Benevolent Pastoral & Church Gifts	C4			152.00			292.61		-105.00	95.00			-75.00	359.61		359.61	
	Training	A9	210.00					782.50	-42.01			18.99			969.48		969.48	
	Catering	C5						239.89	116.88	220.35		87.15	192.56	856.83		856.83		
	Bookstall	C6		15.98	39.96		7.49	94.97	162.52	8.99		9.18	114.94	30.00	484.03		484.03	
	Visiting Speakers	C7							7.99		42.00			60.00	60.00		60.00	
	Publicity, Advertising & Literature	C8												49.99	49.99		49.99	
	Little Freshers	F4							100.00					300.00	400.00		400.00	
	Snack & Chat	F5	78.00	36.40	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	186.99	198.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	128.00	823.39		823.39	
	YFC1	C10																
	Breakfast @ 9	C11	9.99				131.79	125.00	60.76	35.44	64.00	45.58	70.53	543.09	543.09		543.09	
	Women's Ministry	C9		83.88					79.90					163.78	163.78		163.78	
	Tuesday Meeting	F6												150.00	150.00		150.00	
Holding Account		F3		540.83	675.60	2,354.48	165.98	456.00	1,868.97	94.45	1,599.69	2,163.00	1,665.00	767.00	12,351.00		12,351.00	
Governance Costs																		
Salaries	Office Manager	S4	1,456.40	1,212.54	1,286.18	1,286.18	1,331.49	1,350.59	1,277.95	1,394.93	1,371.51	1,371.71	1,371.31	1,371.51	16,082.30		16,082.30	
	Cleaners	S6	484.04	409.00	465.52	463.12	462.92	463.72	463.12	569.32	699.97	717.43	698.78	917.18	6,814.12		6,814.12	
Office & Administration	Key Holders	S7																
	Postage & Telephone	A1	64.50	64.50	64.50	64.50	64.50	64.50	64.50	64.50	-134.35	4.81		34.43	420.89		420.89	
	Stationery	A2									13.40			50.99	198.62		198.62	
	Photocopying	A3		50.40	251.57	25.20		320.22	25.81	25.20	276.77		25.20	294.77	1,295.14		1,295.14	
	Waste/Cleaning Materials	A4	100.78	136.92	100.78	100.46	177.40	147.88	221.90	172.92	308.64	123.91	106.43	176.69	1,874.71		1,874.71	
	Bank/Audit	F1	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00		23.09	8.00	112.59		112.59	
Other Governance	FRC/GOVY/CCL	F2	1,303.26	271.00	271.00	367.75	305.00	271.00	271.00	271.00	296.50	271.00	306.00	4,475.51	4,475.51		4,475.51	
Building Maintenance	Maintenance & Improvements	B1						19.98	3,442.37			962.58	6,339.62	150.40	10,914.95		10,914.95	
	Lift Maintenance	B2						72.00		237.60			75.60		385.20		385.20	
	Audio Visual	B3		346.90	1,025.88	500.00	299.99							148.85	2,321.62		2,321.62	
	Building Contingency	B4																
Utilities	IT & Internet	A8	86.67	214.62	33.11	86.61	33.11	33.11	86.86	49.08	168.47	101.25	555.19	145.09	1,593.17		1,593.17	
	Water	U1	335.68	-340.83					204.92						199.77		199.77	
	Electricity	U2	513.19	407.18	385.69	-2,306.48	141.68	142.16	512.73	48.00	569.12	340.66	48.00	547.72	1,349.65		1,349.65	
	Gas	U3	536.90	429.82	336.08		5.38	1.26	342.94				1,646.18		3,298.54		3,298.54	
	Insurance	U4	535.67	535.67	468.27	468.26	468.26	468.26	468.26	468.26	468.26	468.26	468.26	468.26	5,753.95		5,753.95	
	Fire & Security	U5				198.00			532.40		232.36			330.30	1,293.06		1,293.06	
			15,219.28	10,788.19	13,143.38	13,725.12	11,764.04	13,684.28	16,441.30	12,652.88	17,991.56	14,979.84	13,611.52	13,888.66	173,890.05		173,890.05	
Surplus/(Deficit)																		
			4,783.89	2,051.77	-1,928.19	21,039.08	-345.64	-549.88	-6,462.69	-3,157.19	8,396.88	-2,618.39	-6,914.42	17,915.26	31,210.48		31,210.48	
Spreadsheet b/fwd																		
			104,108.41	108,892.30	110,944.07	108,015.88	129,054.96	128,709.32	128,159.44	121,696.75	118,539.56	126,936.44	124,318.05	117,403.63	135,318.89			
Spreadsheet c/fwd																		
			108,892.30	110,944.07	108,015.88	129,054.96	128,709.32	128,159.44	121,696.75	118,539.56								



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Freshbrook Church

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/2022

Charity no
(if any)

1167735

Set out on pages

1 & 2

(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 31/03/2022.

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

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of ICAEW.

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:

JS

Date:

07/12/2022

Name:

JONATHAN SKINNER

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ICAEW

Address:

MARLBOROUGH HOUSE, LOWER STONE ROAD

ROCKHAMPTON
GL13 9DT

Section B Disclosure

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.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1167735

Accounts

**FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD
01 APRIL 2020 TO 31 MARCH 2021
FOR
FRESHBROOK CHURCH**

Charity Information

Registered – 20 June 2016

Charity Number 1167735

Trustees: 01 April 2020 - 31 March 2021

A Bailey (Retired 31/12/20)
G Bennett
A Caird (Resigned 30/12/20)
R Cheung
N Cox
S Cox
C Davison
D Davison
J Edmonds
G Furze (Co-Opted 01/04/20 – Resigned 30/09/20)
J Gauger (Resigned 31/10/20)
M.Gresham (Elected 02/02/21)
P.Lewis (Elected 02/02/21 – Resigned 09/03/21)
A Martin
M Wood

Chairman of the Trustees: J Edmonds

Registered Address:

Worsley Road
Freshbrook
Swindon
Wiltshire
SN5 8NU

Bankers: CAF Bank Limited

25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner: Mr D Barnes

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for this period.

**FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021**

Structure, Governance and Management

The church is established under a constitution adopted by Members in 17 April 2016, and became a Registered Charity on 20 June 2016 (and became active on 01 October 2016).

The Constitution defines the Charity Trustees as the Elders and Deacons. The Elders and Deacons are drawn from the membership and are confirmed by election at a Church Meeting in accordance with the Church Rules. The only exception to this would be if the Church Meeting were to appoint a new Pastor from outside the church membership who would upon appointment, immediately become an Elder and therefore a Trustee.

Church meetings are held on a quarterly basis, the meeting in October being the Annual General Meeting. Due to COVID 19 there was no Church Meeting in April or July 2020. The October and February meetings did take place but February was a hybrid 'In Person' and via Zoom For those unable to attend in person).

New Trustees are provided with an information pack which includes copies of the Trust Deed, recent Trustees reports and information on Trustee responsibilities. They are also briefed by the Chairman of the Trustees.

Trustees are able to attend training seminars for Church Trustees as required.

Risk management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

It is still the case that the major risk to the charity is that church offerings do not keep pace with the expenditure of the church. There have been adequate reserves to cope with this and the 2021/2022 financial budget was set with an aim of reducing reliance on reserve. To help raise some additional funds we held a special gift day at the end of March.

Objectives

The charity (Church) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Registration with the Charity Commission under the Charities Act 2011 was completed on 01 October 2016. The purposes of the Church as stated in the CIO document are:

- 1) The advancement of the Christian Faith in accordance with its Basis of Faith, primarily, but not exclusively, within the town of Swindon and the surrounding neighbourhood.
- 2) Such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the membership of the Church in a general meeting, put into practice the teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ in accordance with the Basis of Faith.

The effective management of the Church is left with the Trustees. The Trustees are in turn accountable to the members of the Church in accordance with the Church constitution document.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

Activities

The Trustees consider that the performance of the charity (Church) this year has been satisfactory.

NOTE COVID 19:

From 01 April 2020 until 31/12/2021 the services, events and activities were affected by the Covid 19 pandemic. The Church replaced meetings which usually took place in the building with virtual meetings on platforms such as You Tube and Zoom. When circumstance and restrictions allowed we started to reopen the church for meetings in line with government guidelines.

The Trustees appointed a designated team to oversee COVID Protocols for the church so all our activities followed Government guidance.

The gospel has been preached faithfully throughout the year. In addition to the main Sunday Services, Small Groups have been run (on Zoom) enabling people to learn more about the Christian faith in an open and informal manner.

The Church continues to support mission work across the World. This includes long-term mission partners in Senegal and Columbia as well as short term partners in other parts of the world.

The Church usually provides activities for different age groups within the wider community, meeting specific needs, establishing contacts and building relationships. For example, there are groups for children and young people, parents and toddlers, day-time groups for older people and a seniors' lunch club held monthly and a weekly lunchtime Snack & Chat meeting for local people. However, none of these took place during this year due to the pandemic.

Activities in local schools operate both independently and collaboratively with other agencies. During this year these activities have happened via videos created by the team.

The church continues to be a nominated food distribution centre for Swindon Food Collective (formerly Food Bank). This is in line with its objectives to undertake acts of kindness in the community. This continued during the pandemic as an essential service.

The Church premises usually host numerous outside organisations, both secular and religious, throughout the year. However, only Blood Donors (as an essential service) continued to book meetings.

The Annual Christmas Market has proved to be very popular and provides a successful link with the local community and other local Charities. (Due to Covid 19 The 2020 Christmas Market this year was cancelled).

The volunteering of Church members in local initiatives such as Swindon Night Shelter and Swindon Street Pastors were reduced this year due to the pandemic.

We have developed a larger Pastoral Care Team who are very much involved with helping those in need within our local community. This was especially true during the Covid lockdowns.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

Achievements

The number of members of the CIO increased slightly over the period.

During the year, as part of our 5-year programme of works, we replaced most of the light fittings in the church to LED bulbs and panels; replaced all the suspended ceiling panels and refurbished the heating system within the building. We also redecorated most of the rooms as well as some areas on the outside of the building. This was achieved in a much smaller time period than planned due to the grants received from Wiltshire Historic Churches and Freshbrook Parish Council to whom we are most grateful.

Future Plans

The Trustees have continued to develop the ministry of the Church in line with the long-term plan for the Church.

The church is able to run a CAP Money Management Course when needed or in response to perceived needs in the community for awareness of financial planning matters.

Other initiatives will be developed in response to perceived needs as they arise.

Financial Report

The Trustees review the finances regularly as part of the effective stewardship of the Church.

Further information on our accounts can be found in the Trustees Responsibilities section and the attached Financial Balance Sheet.

However, both Income and Expenditure for the General Fund of the Church remained at similar levels to 2019/2020. This was helped by the receipt of two grants during the year to help finance the maintenance programme and a gift day at the end of March 2021.

Depreciation of fixed assets

Assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful life (usually assumed to be 5 years). Items of equipment costing less than £1000 are not included in the church assets.

Reserves

The Trustees consider it to be expedient, in the light of their Risk Assessment, to hold reserves equivalent to three months normal running costs for the Church. This equates to £32,588 for this year. This provides sufficient funds to cover the administration, management and support costs in the event of a significant and sustained drop in income.

Investment policy and objectives

The Constitution authorises the Trustees to make investments using the general funds of the CIO. At present there are no investments. Part of the Church cash assets are held in a savings account which generates a nominal return and our plan is to close this down and move the funds into our general account to consolidate the funds available.

FRESHBROOK CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

Church gifts and Missionary support

The Trustees consider and approve all Church gifts and Missionary support. Where a donor has specifically requested that part or all of their donation should go to a particular individual or organisation then this wish is respected provided that it accords with the aims and objectives of the Church. If it does not the donation will not be accepted by the Church.

Employees

The charity had seven paid employees during the year:

- Pastor (full-time)
- Youth Pastor (full-time)
- Office Manager (part-time)
- Pastoral Worker (part-time)
- Cleaner/Caretaker (3 x part-time)

Transactions with Trustees and other Connected Persons No Trustees received remuneration from the Church in 2020-2021 apart from the Pastor, Youth Pastor and Office Manager who are salaried employees.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. These include the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of Trustees on 06 December 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

S Cox - Trustee and Church Administrator



C Davison - Trustee



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Year Ended 31 March 2021

Income and Expenditure Account

	2021	2020
<u>Income</u>		
Gifts and Offerings		
Freewill offering	132,550	112,273
Restricted Income	5,460	6,050
Tax recovery and interest	31,654	24,284
Restricted Mission Fund	4,140	5,450
Youth work	25	25
Other Income	12,282	38,658
<u>Total Income for the year</u>	<u>186,111</u>	<u>186,740</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Charitable Activities		
Salaries	80,040	77,385
Worker expenses	1,254	892
Direct charitable activities inc Restricted Fund	18,503	23,557
Open House Lunch Club	-	1,996
	<u>103,937</u>	<u>109,280</u>
Governance Costs		
Salaries	20,015	19,662
Office and administration	4,542	5,020
Other governance costs	4,561	4,508
Building maintenance	11,391	30,655
Utilities and IT	16,737	18,798
	<u>57,246</u>	<u>78,643</u>
Fixed assets purchased in year		(22,072)
Depreciation	3,806	2,541
<u>Total Expenditure for the year</u>	<u>164,989</u>	<u>168,392</u>
<u>Surplus/(deficit) for the year</u>	<u>21,122</u>	<u>18,348</u>

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Year Ended 31 March 2021

Balance Sheet

	2021		2020
Freshbrook church building - insurance valuation	3,785,818		3,785,818
Fixed Assets			
Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment			
Brought forward at net book value	20,639	24,446	
Add: Purchases in year	-	-	
Less: Depreciation charge for year	3,806	2,541	21,905
	<u>16,833</u>	<u>2,541</u>	
	<u>3,802,651</u>		<u>3,807,723</u>
Current Assets			
Cash & Bank balances:			
CAF High Interest Account	59,889.28		59,862
CAF Current Account			
General Fund	43,382	17,519	
Restricted Mission Fund	160	425	
Designated Funds	100	1,211	
Parent and Toddler Group	250	64	
Snack and Chat	226	101	19,320
Building Society	-	-	-
Petty Cash	200		200
Open House Lunch	101		101
Total Funds carried forward	<u>104,308.28</u>		<u>79,483</u>
Less: Current Liabilities			
Designated Funds			
Total Assets	<u>3,906,959</u>		<u>3,887,206</u>
Freshbrook Church Building	3,785,818		3,785,818
Capital and Provisions			
Brought forward	103,929	85,581	
Surplus/(deficit)	21,121	18,348	103,929
	<u>125,050</u>	<u>18,348</u>	
	<u>3,910,868</u>		<u>3,889,747</u>

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Statement of Financial Activities

		2021	2020
INCOMING RESOURCES			
	NOTES		
Gifts and Offerings	1	173,829	148,082
Other Income	2	12,282	38,658
Total Incoming Resources		<u>186,111</u>	<u>186,740</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable Activities	3	103,937	109,280
Governance Costs	4	57,246	78,643
Total resources expended		<u>161,183</u>	<u>187,923</u>
NET INCOMING RESOURCES			
Funds Brought Forward	5	79,483	80,666
Funds Carried Forward	6	104,308	79,483
Net incoming resources		<u>24,825</u>	<u>(1,183)</u>

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Notes to the Accounts

	2021	2020		
1. GIFTS AND OFFERINGS				
Freewill Offering	132,550	112,273		
Restricted Income	5,460	6,050		
Restricted Mission Fund	4,140	5,450		
Youthwork	25	25		
Tax Refunds	31,627	24,194		
Bank Interest	27	90		
	<u>173,829</u>	<u>148,082</u>		
2. OTHER INCOME				
Photocopying	98	69		
Hire of Halls	7,370	10,702		
Bookstall	43	460		
Little Freshers (Baby and Toddler)	68	353		
Snack and Chat	306	617		
Open House Lunch Club	-	2,005		
Catering	2	-		
Breakfast at Nine	500	1,050		
Grants Received	3,679	20,000		
Other Income	116	3,402		
Designated Gifts - Other	100	-		
	<u>12,282</u>	<u>38,658</u>		
3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES				
Salaries	80,040	77,385		
Worker Expenses	1,254	892		
Direct Charitable Activities	18,503	23,557		
Restricted Mission Fund	4,140	5,450		
Open House Lunch Club	-	1,996		
	<u>103,937</u>	<u>109,280</u>		
4. GOVERNANCE COSTS				
Salaries	20,015	19,662		
Office and Administration	4,542	5,020		
Other Governance Costs	4,561	4,508		
Building Maintenance	11,391	30,655		
Utilities and IT	16,737	18,798		
	<u>57,246</u>	<u>78,643</u>		
Total Resources Expended	<u>161,183</u>	<u>187,923</u>		
5. FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD				
CAF High Interest Account	59,862	59,772		
CAF Current Account:				
General Fund	17,840	-		
Restricted Mission Fund	- 181	-		
Designated Funds	1,311	-		
Parent and Toddler Fund	482	-		
Snack and Chat	292	19,744	20,602	-
Building Society	-	-	-	-
Petty Cash	200	200		
Open House Lunch Club	101	92		
Total Funds Brought Forward	<u>79,907</u>	<u>80,666</u>		
6.3 FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD				
CAF High Interest Account	59,889	59,862		
CAF Current Account:				
General Fund	43,382	17,519		
Restricted Mission Fund	160	425		
Designated Funds	100	1,211		
Parent and Toddler Fund	250	64		
Snack and Chat	226	44,118	19,320	101
Building Society	-	-	-	-
Petty Cash	200	200		
Open House Lunch Club	101	101		
Total Funds Carried Forward	<u>104,308</u>	<u>79,483</u>		



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name: FRESHBROOK CHURCH

On accounts for the year ended

31 MARCH 2021

Charity no (if any)

1167735

Set out on pages

1 and 2 (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 31 MARCH 2021.

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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 27-10-21

Name: DAVID GORDON BARNES

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

[Empty box for professional qualification]

(if any):

Address:

Section B Disclosure

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.