



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 Nov 2020 To 31 Oct 2021

Charity name: Kent Street Community Church

Charity registration number: 1168080

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The principal object of the Charity is the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Statements of Faith and Practice of the Independent Methodist Connexion. The Charity may also carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and / or other parts of the world.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The trustees have considered the guidance produced by the Charity Commission on the provision of public benefit and they confirm that public benefit has been provided by;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promoting the whole mission of the church through activities for families, individuals, and children in a deprived part of Warrington• Providing regular public worship open to all.• Conducting pastoral work including visiting the sick and the bereaved.• Teaching Christianity through sermons, courses, and small groups.• Providing free weekly social activities to which the public are welcome, as well as free

		<p>one off events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing a weekly youth club and toddler group with a Christian ethos. • Distributing evangelistic materials. • Giving an opportunity for both individuals & groups to support the advancement of the Christian religion in other areas., eg the charity /church • Regularly supports a missionary in Romania, a missionary in Macedonia; financially supports a charity that works within the Christian healing ministry; a charity that works with people who have leprosy, sponsors a child in Brazil, and a charity that distributes Christian literature. • The charity also collects food for the local Foodbank.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit, and have complied with this guidance. Evidence is provided in the body of this report.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The charity operates a foodbank collection point and the Harvest Service offering and food collection was donated to the foodbank. Occasional hardship payments are made.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The charity is extremely grateful to, and thankful for, the volunteers who run the activities and complete administrative work.

		The charity could not function effectively without volunteers.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The Charity has a Minister accredited by the Independent Methodist Connexion of Churches. There are other experienced people who help run the Charity.</p> <p>The Charity continues to employ a Church Support Minister on a self-employed basis for 30 hours per week. This is year 2, of a 3 year contract. This is the only person within the charity who is in paid employment. All other work is carried out by volunteers.</p> <p>The charity received a grant from the Independent Methodist Association to fund this post.</p> <p>The original aims of the project included increasing engagement with the local community and building up numbers attending the church with the aim of providing a leadership team and workers for the future. The role has evolved since appointment and additional work has been done on updating the sound and media equipment allowing for live streaming of part of the service in line with GDPR; and also establishing and training a new worship team. The media improvements allowed for people to attend gatherings on line.</p> <p>The church provides two services on a Sunday and the Kids Church meets on a Sunday morning. Volunteers provide support. This is mainly attended by children from the local area, and some of the parents join the service at this time. The children engage in activities that are free of charge.</p> <p>Speakers are invited by the Plan Secretary, and Members from the Church also speak. It is Charity / Church practice to give expenses to those external speakers who are</p>

		<p>invited to speak. Some Members of the Church are invited to speak in other Churches.</p> <p>The church closed for Sunday worship during November in line with government guidance during the Covid 19 pandemic. It reopened, in line with government guidelines for Places of Worship for prayer and Sunday Worship.</p> <p>After a closure period of up to 18 months (due to the pandemic) the following groups reopened during the Summer; Youth 4 U, a weekly group for those between 10 and 16 years, Kent Street Kiddiwinks, a weekly group for 0-3 year olds and their carers, and the "Tea and Toast " where the church provides a weekly free breakfast and social gathering that is open to all. Numbers at these groups were lower than they were prior to closure but is hoped the numbers will build up again in time.</p> <p>The children who attend the groups are mainly from the immediate area. The leaders are mainly Church members but other volunteers who are concerned about the welfare of children also assist.</p> <p>The entrance cost of the children's activities is kept to a £1 per child or family so that cost does not exclude people from attending and benefitting. Trips are subsidised by the charity if needed.</p> <p>The Charity pays Warrington Youth for Christ for a worker to assist at Youth 4 U.</p> <p>The Charity has often distributed leaflets to the surrounding estate, inviting residents to attend free events at the Church, and giving brief detail about the Christian message.</p> <p>The church held a free BBQ in August for the local community, and free activities were also held. Eg bouncy castle, puppet theatre.</p> <p>The Charity contributes financially towards a missionary in Romania and a missionary in Macedonia. Both are dependent upon donations for living costs. Both provide regular updates on their work.</p>
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		<p>The Charity sponsors a child in Brazil via the Compassion charity.</p> <p>The charity operates a collection point for the local Foodbank with food being given by those who attend the church. The Sunday offering taken during the harvest service was donated to this charity.</p> <p>On another Sunday the offering was donated to the Leprosy Mission charity.</p> <p>The charity gave food hampers to local people in need at Christmas time.</p> <p>One off donations are often made as the need arises. This is often via speakers who may also work with a charity, for example Gospel for Asia, Adopt a Child, Warrington Youth for Christ</p> <p>The charity provides pastoral support to those who attend the church (members or non members) often providing practical support if able and needed and funerals have been provided free of charge to those who attend the church or their relatives.</p>

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The Charity is judged to be in a stable position financially. The 1 month closure in Nov 2020, had little impact on the total income, increasing by £7000 in comparison to the previous year.</p> <p>The Charity was able to maintain its regular established financial support to other causes / charities, as well as give one off donations to other causes / charities and meet all required expenses. This included undertaking internal building repairs.</p> <p>The surplus for the year was £966, which is an increase on previous years.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The purpose of holding reserves is to ensure that the Charity has sufficient funds available to cope with financial issues that might arise, such as the need to fund an urgent property repair or an issue with staffing or the loss of income if several members stopped supporting the church
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£4000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	NA
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	NA
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no concerns.

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any	Para 1.47	The Charity's main source of funding is through a voluntary offering taken during its Sunday services, through
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fundraising)		<p>donations given via Stewardship UK (which facilitates the payment of Gift Aid) and that given via regular standing orders.</p> <p>The salary for the Church Support Minister, who works on a self-employed basis, (30 hr per week / year 2 of a 3 year contract) was funded by a £20000 grant from the Independent Methodist Association and by £3000 from charity funds.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Not applicable
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Non identified.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p>A person automatically becomes a Managing Trustee upon appointment to the Church Leadership Team.</p> <p>The process is as follows; The name(s) of such persons are agreed upon by existing leaders (Existing Trustees). The persons willingness to fulfil this role is sort. The proposal is announced to the Church prior to a Members Meeting, to allow for any objections or queries to be raised privately. The proposed Leader / Managing Trustee is then elected or rejected by the Members Meeting.</p>

Additional information (optional)

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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	New trustees receive an information pack containing information recommended by the Charity Commission in the document The Essential Trustee
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The charity is part of the Independent Methodist Connexion of Churches and is affiliated to the Baptist Union of Great Britain. An annual fee based on the number of members is paid to these organisations.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Kent Street Community Church
Other name the charity uses	Kent Street Independent Methodist Church
Registered charity number	1168080
Charity's principal address	Kent Street Latchford Warrington WA4 1BT

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)
1	Dorothy Astley	Minister and Elder		Members Meeting
2	Esther Prescott	Treasurer Secretary		Members Meeting
3	Robert Sheldon	Elder		Members Meeting
4	Christine Banner	Pastoral		Members Meeting
5	Jacqueline Cooper	Leader	Commenced 18 Oct 2021	Members Meeting
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Independent Methodist Association		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Esther Prescott

Full name(s)

Esther Prescott

**Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)**

Treasurer

Date

16 May 2022

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Date

10 Aug 2021

Kent Street Community Church

Financial Statements for the
Year to 31 October 2021

Kent Street Community Church
Receipts and Payments Account for the
Year Ended 31st October 2021

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>General Account</u>	<u>Building Account</u>	<u>BusPrem Account</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>	<u>Total 2020</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
Offerings	12,283.00			12,283.00	5,824.97
S.S. UK	8,711.32			8,711.32	9,042.72
Donations received	6,342.00			6,342.00	5,092.00
Grant received	0.00			0.00	12,208.00
Youth 4 U	16.41			16.41	383.71
Coffee Bar	0.00			0.00	113.50
Tea and Toast	100.00			100.00	95.00
Kiddiwinks	115.28			115.28	129.26
Sundry Credits	200.00			200.00	0.00
Transfers	132.55		13,588.00	13,720.55	2,098.00
Interest			1.48	1.48	1.16
	<u>27,900.56</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>13,589.48</u>	<u>41,490.04</u>	<u>34,988.32</u>

Kent Street Community Church
Receipts and Payments Account for the
Year Ended 31st October 2021 (Continued)

<u>Payments</u>	<u>General Account</u>	<u>Building Account</u>	<u>BusPrem Account</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>	<u>Total 2020</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
UCB Donation	205.00			205.00	180.00
E Greenhalgh Donation	1,585.00			1,585.00	1,160.00
Fees	1,393.17			1,393.17	1,464.17
Utilities	3,184.62			3,184.62	2,676.12
Donations	2,770.00			2,770.00	3,036.00
Printing, Postage & Stationery	657.52			657.52	1,179.52
Maintenance & Sundry	4,575.37			4,575.37	2,674.32
Catering & Cleaning	1,318.90			1,318.90	1,034.54
Y4C	360.00			360.00	450.00
Ellel Donation	1,200.00			1,200.00	1,200.00
Accountancy & Valuation	282.00			282.00	282.00
Insurance	1,412.11			1,412.11	1,407.51
Contribution towards Worker	3040.00			3,040.00	0.00
Compassion Child Sponsor	376.00			376.00	371.00
Elim Mission	1,140.00			1,140.00	650.00
Lighthouse Club	0.00			0.00	40.50
Speaker	1,430.00			1,430.00	1,430.00
Transfers	13,684.49	36.06		13,720.55	2,078.00
Other	1,873.05			1,873.05	1,371.25
	40,487.23	36.06	0.00	40,523.29	22,684.93

<u>Summary</u>	<u>General Account</u>	<u>Building Account</u>	<u>BusPrem Account</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>	<u>Total 2020</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
Total Receipts	27,804.07	0.00	13589.48	41,490.04	34,988.32
Total Payments	40,487.23	36.06	0.00	40,523.29	22,684.93
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(12683.16)	(36.06)	13589.48	966.75	12,303.39

Kent Street Community Church
 Receipts and Payments Account for the
 Year Ended 31st October 2021 (Continued)

Youth 4 U Westy Christian Fellowship and Kiddiwinks

Receipts

	2021	2020
	£	£
Admission and Tuck Shop		
Youth 4 U	114.02	605.45
Kiddiwinks	118.27	176.56
	<u>232.29</u>	<u>782.01</u>

Payments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Tuck Shop Stock & Sundries		
Youth 4 U	114.02	221.74
Kiddiwinks	110.78	47.30
	<u>224.80</u>	<u>269.04</u>

Summary

	2021	2020
	£	£
Total Receipts	232.29	782.01
Total Payments	224.80	269.04
Surplus to Church Funds	<u>7.49</u>	<u>512.97</u>

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Total	<u>7.49</u>	<u>512.97</u>

Kent Street Community Church

Balance Sheet

As At 31st October 2021

<u>Assets</u>	£	£
General Fund/Community Account	8,527.71	
Building Fund	0.00	
Business Premium Account	16,590.90	
Cash	193.29	
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		25,311.90
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<u>Represented by:</u>		
General Fund Brought Forward		24,345.15
Surplus for Year		966.75
General Fund Carried Forward		<hr/>
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
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I report on the accounts of Kent Street Community Church and the Youth 4 U Westy Christian Fellowship for the year ended 31 October 2021, which are set out on pages 1 to 4.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act and section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (the 2005 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- To report whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission and is in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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Financial Statements for the
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Basis of the independent examiner's report

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Independent examiner's statement

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