

# THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1168142

## Details

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**Other names** THE LIGHTHOUSE (LYTCHETT MATRAVERS)

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2016-07-08

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN DORSET AND SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE.

**Activities:** A CHURCH SERVING THE LYTCHETT MATRAVERS AREA, WITH SERVICES OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP FOR ALL AGES AND CLUBS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH. PARENTING AND MARRIAGE COURSES ARE OFFERED AND HELP IS GIVEN TO NEEDY PEOPLE IN THE LOCAL AND SURROUNDING AREAS. WORK WITH CHURCHES IN JAPAN IS SUPPORTED ON A REGULAR BASIS, AS IS WORK AMONGST PEOPLE IN UGANDA. OVERSEAS RELIEF NEEDS ARE SUPPORTED AS AND WHEN REQUIRED.

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Philippines
- Thailand
- Uganda
- Dorset

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£225,480	£187,104	-	-
2024-03-31	£257,826	£179,485	-	-
2023-03-31	£208,375	£197,553	-	-
2022-03-31	£546,542	£308,316	£1,139,557	8
2021-03-31	£226,225	£264,306	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Benjamin Paul Harden</b>	Chair	2021-04-08
Christopher John Burton		2018-11-27
IAN LAWRENCE BURTON		2016-07-08
PHILIP EDWARD READ		2016-07-08
Peter Martin Weir		2021-05-05
Susan Mary Bessant		2022-11-21

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# Accounts

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**UNAUDITED**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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**Trustees**

Philip Edward Read  
Christopher John Burton  
Susan Mary Bessant  
Ian Lawrence Burton  
Benjamin Paul Harden  
Peter Martin Weir

**Charity registered  
number**

1168142

**Principal office**

Unit D22, Admiralty Park  
Station Road  
Poole  
BH16 6HX

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Lighthouse Family Church for the year 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

#### OBJECTS

The primary aims of the Trust are to fulfil the role of a Christian Church in the Poole, Dorset area and to provide help to others in promoting the Christian faith in the United Kingdom and overseas

#### THE CHURCH: ITS AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Church is not a building, but a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ, were also committed to love and care for each other and to bring a blessing to the area in which they lived. The Lighthouse Family Church, its trustees, leaders and members are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. It is not alone in this, it is one of many Churches in the area, country and all over the world that is rediscovering the excitement of knowing Jesus Christ. The vision is to see the people of Lytchett Matravers and the surrounding area come into this experience of knowing Jesus Christ as their Lord, Saviour and friend

The Lighthouse Family Church has a long-standing relationship with several other local Churches that pursue similar objectives in the UK and overseas and is developing relationships with other churches in planning joint ventures within the area.

Directions relating to the charitable trust are made by the Trustees in consultation with the church leaders who are responsible for governing the life and teaching of the church. Day to day decisions on expenditure and activities are decided by the church leaders, staff and volunteers in charge of different areas of the church. The power of appointment or removal of Trustees rests with the Trustees. New Trustees are primarily selected from the members of the church since this means that the Trustee body is whole heartedly involved in seeing the mission of the church worked out in practice. On being appointed, new Trustees spend time with the existing Trustees to ensure they understand their responsibilities and the legal and financial framework in which the church operates.

Whilst the church currently employs five part time staff, it is the work of every member of the church, whether employed or not, that will make the difference in the church achieving its great commission. This is done by being 'salt and light' amongst the people they interact with every day; by praying, by visiting the sick and others in need, in being involved in training others, in public teaching and worship, and also in administration. The financial resources of the church, to a very large extent, are given by the members and their private assets and resources are regularly used in the work of the church. Much of this work is done privately, without recognition, and the hours and value of the time cannot be quantified.

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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#### **THE YEAR: ITS OBJECTIVES, ACHIEVEMENTS & EVENTS**

During the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025, all church activity continued with no restrictions from Covid-19. All meetings are in person, but we are still maintaining an online presence.

#### ***General Church Activities***

The Lighthouse continued with a programme of training, equipping and pastoral care for the Lighthouse Church Family. The pastoral care team continued to provide care and prayer for those in need within the church and community. An updated program of Sunday services is now running with the majority also being streamed online. Additional content continues to be made available online.

#### ***Church Growth***

Although the church doesn't have a formal membership there are some 125 people who consider themselves part of the Lighthouse Family Church. Covid-19 has seen a reduction in the number of people attending the church, but the live streaming online of our services has allowed us to reach a far wider group of people geographically and we have continued to stream online content, and in particular for some members who are unable to attend in person due to ill health.

#### ***Kingdom Life School***

The Lighthouse Church started Kingdom Life School in September 2017, a programme of training aiming to equip students to boldly share and demonstrate the Kingdom of God. Whilst the school took a hiatus due to the pandemic, the 5-day school has run successfully every September since 2022 and January 2024 saw a return to a six month long school that runs until May 2024. Whilst the plan was to continue with this format in the year 2024/2025 numbers did not allow. A smaller series of online short courses have been produced, released and made available both to our own church family and to other churches and home groups to continue with the mission to train and equip, and to give prospective students/partners a taste of the Kingdom Life School syllabus.

#### ***Overseas Mission Support***

The Lighthouse Church is currently support mission projects in 3 areas: Uganda, Japan (and South East Asia) and the Philippines. The Trustees aim to be giving at least 10% of donations towards mission.

#### ***New Building***

Having been located in the leased building at Admiralty Park for 15 years the leaders of the church began to look towards developing a larger church centre to cater for growth that has been happening amongst adults, children and youth. A 5-acre plot of land was identified and purchased January 2018 on a site close to the current building on Station Road. All demolition work has been completed. Detailed plans have been drawn up and tenders issued for the build. Additionally trust grant applications have been prepared to secure funding for the build.

#### ***Woodland Church***

The woodland church meetings have continued to be successful and well attended particularly by families with young children. There is a consistent team of volunteers who run the meetings and also undertake site maintenance activities. The plan is to further develop the site to provide more facilities and keep on top of the woodland management to allow the site to be more secure and suitable for a wider audience.

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#### PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR

The key strategies for the church remain the same but will be reviewed by the Church leadership team on a regular basis. Fundraising will continue for the building project and plans for the next stages of development are in process. The church will continue to explore, in consultation with local churches and Christian agencies, other ways to assist the poorer sections of the community, both in the financial sense of the word but also in others. The church will also review its current support commitments and explore further overseas opportunities, including response to any appeals following emergencies and/or natural disasters around the world.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The level of donations has fallen slightly over the year but remains good providing steady income. The church has made use of various government schemes including the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and a Bounce Back Loan.

The property that was gifted to the church in a will has now been sold.

#### GRANT MAKING POLICY

Gifts to external organisations and individuals are considered by the Trustees on the basis of need and fulfilment of the charitable objectives. There are no upper or lower limits of support

#### RISK MANAGEMENT

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Contractual risks are reviewed before entering into to assess that they could not significantly impact upon the churches ability to fulfil its objectives.

#### GOVERNANCE

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 accounts comply with the Charities Acts. 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. The Trustees confirm that the accounts comply with current statutory requirements and those of the Charity's trust deed

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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#### a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

#### Structure, governance and management

##### a. Constitution

The Lighthouse Family Church is a registered charity, number 1168142, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

##### b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

#### Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the 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.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
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Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 26 September 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

**Christopher John Burton**

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### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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#### Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of The Lighthouse Family Church ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity'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 2011 Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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:

Dated: 26 September 2025



#### **Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA**

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Note	Restricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	34,196	191,284	225,480	257,826
<b>Total income</b>		34,196	191,284	225,480	257,826
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	3	1,659	185,445	187,104	179,485
<b>Total expenditure</b>		1,659	185,445	187,104	179,485
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		32,537	5,839	38,376	78,341
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Total funds brought forward		638,548	544,368	1,182,916	1,104,575
Net movement in funds		32,537	5,839	38,376	78,341
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		671,085	550,207	1,221,292	1,182,916

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	93,749	93,749
		<u>93,749</u>	<u>93,749</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	7	1,157,739	1,146,493
Cash at bank and in hand		24,584	16,717
		<u>1,182,323</u>	<u>1,163,210</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(13,912)	(12,299)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>1,168,411</u>	<u>1,150,911</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>1,262,160</u>	<u>1,244,660</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	9	(40,868)	(61,744)
<b>Net assets excluding pension asset</b>		<u>1,221,292</u>	<u>1,182,916</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u><u>1,221,292</u></u>	<u><u>1,182,916</u></u>
<b>Charity funds</b>			
Restricted funds	10	671,085	638,548
Unrestricted funds	10	550,207	544,368
<b>Total funds</b>		<u><u>1,221,292</u></u>	<u><u>1,182,916</u></u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 26 September 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

**Christopher John Burton**

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Lighthouse Family Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

**1.2 Income**

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

**1.3 Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

**1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

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**1. Accounting policies (continued)**

**1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)**

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, on a reducing balance basis.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	- 0%
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**1.5 Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**1.6 Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

**1.7 Liabilities and provisions**

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

**1.8 Fund accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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**2. Income from donations and legacies**

	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total 2025 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>
Corporate Donations	1,350	11,004	12,354	26,839
Events Income	0	4,133	4,133	8,270
General Donations	30,196	137,851	168,047	178,268
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	2,650	35,030	37,680	42,255
Other income	0	3,266	3,266	2,194
	<b>34,196</b>	<b>191,284</b>	<b>225,480</b>	<b>257,826</b>

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**3. Expenditure on charitable activities**

	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds General</b>	<b>Total 2025</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Advertising	0	448	448	749
Bank charges	0	403	403	121
Catering & Refreshments	0	1,053	1,053	604
Event costs & Expenses	0	3,131	3,131	2,025
Honorariums	0	400	400	600
Independent examiner's fee	0	1,000	1,000	1,080
Legal and professional fees	0	4,597	4,597	4,472
Loan interest	0	1,241	1,241	2,240
Ministry costs	1,659	42,316	43,975	38,509
Office Equipment Incl Hire	0	642	642	1,785
Printing, Postage, and Stationery	0	2,298	2,298	2,167
Recruitment expenses	0	194	194	49
Rent	0	37,259	37,259	36,015
Subscription	0	1,211	1,211	1,369
Telephone and Computer charges	0	2,765	2,765	1,732
Training	0	72	72	700
Travelling Expenses	0	0	0	288
Utilities, Repairs and Maintenance	0	9,580	9,580	4,563
Wages and salaries	0	76,835	76,835	80,417
	<b>1,659</b>	<b>185,445</b>	<b>187,104</b>	<b>179,485</b>

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**3. Independent examiner's remuneration**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	£	£
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	<b>1,080</b>	<b>1,080</b>

**4. Trustees' remuneration and expenses**

**Philip Edward Read**

**Salary:** During the year ended 31 March 2025, remuneration totaling £20,945 were paid directly to Trustee Phil Read (2023 - £26,172) during the year for duties carried out as minister of the church.

**Loan:** Provided the church with a loan to support the new building project, As at the balance sheet date the amount due was £5k (2024 - £10k)

**Mr Ian Burton**

**Loan:** Provided the church with a loan to support the new building project, which has now been fully paid back with interest. As at the balance sheet date the amount due was £nil (2024 - £16,363)

**5. Tangible fixed assets**

	<b>Freehold property</b>
	£
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 April 2024	<b>138,749</b>
At 31 March 2025	<b>138,749</b>
<b>Prior-period adjustment (2021/22)</b>	
At 1 April 2024	<b>45,000</b>
At 31 March 2025	<b>45,000</b>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 March 2025	<b>93,749</b>
At 31 March 2024	<b>93,749</b>

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6. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Due after more than one year</b>		
Other debtors	1,157,739	1,146,493
	<u>1,157,739</u>	<u>1,146,493</u>
	<u>1,157,739</u>	<u>1,146,493</u>

8. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	12,832	11,219
Accruals and deferred income	1,080	1,080
	<u>13,912</u>	<u>12,299</u>
	<u>13,912</u>	<u>12,299</u>

9. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other loans	40,868	61,744
	<u>40,868</u>	<u>61,744</u>

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10. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General Funds	544,368	191,284	(185,445)	550,207
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<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted Fund	638,548	34,196	(1,659)	671,085
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<b>Total of funds</b>	<b>1,182,916</b>	<b>225,480</b>	<b>(187,104)</b>	<b>1,221,292</b>
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**10. Statement of funds (continued)**

**Statement of funds - prior year**

	<i>Balance at 1 April 2023</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2024</i>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General Funds	534,278	189,035	(178,945)	544,368
	<u>534,278</u>	<u>189,035</u>	<u>(178,945)</u>	<u>544,368</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted Fund	570,297	68,791	(540)	638,548
	<u>570,297</u>	<u>68,791</u>	<u>(540)</u>	<u>638,548</u>
<b>Total of funds</b>	<u><u>1,104,575</u></u>	<u><u>257,826</u></u>	<u><u>(179,485)</u></u>	<u><u>1,182,916</u></u>

**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1168142

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**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

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**UNAUDITED**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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**Trustees** Philip Edward Read  
Christopher John Burton  
Susan Mary Bessant  
Ian Lawrence Burton  
Benjamin Paul Harden  
Peter Martin Weir

**Charity registered number** 1168142

**Principal office** Unit D22, Admiralty Park  
Station Road  
Poole  
BH16 6HX

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## THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the The Lighthouse Family Church for the year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

#### **OBJECTS**

The primary aims of the Trust are to fulfil the role of a Christian Church in the Poole, Dorset area and to provide help to others in promoting the Christian faith in the United Kingdom and overseas.

#### **THE CHURCH: ITS AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The Church is not a building, but a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ, were also committed to love and care for each other and to bring a blessing to the area in which they lived. The Lighthouse Family Church, its trustees, leaders and members are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. It is not alone in this, it is one of many Churches in the area, country and all over the world that is rediscovering the excitement of knowing Jesus Christ. The vision is to see the people of Lytchett Matravers and the surrounding area come into this experience of knowing Jesus Christ as their Lord, Saviour and friend.

The Lighthouse Family Church has a long-standing relationship with several other local Churches that pursue similar objectives in the UK and overseas and is developing relationships with other churches in planning joint ventures within the area.

Directions relating to the charitable trust are made by the Trustees in consultation with the church leaders who are responsible for governing the life and teaching of the church. Day to day decisions on expenditure and activities are decided by the church leaders, staff and volunteers in charge of different areas of the church. The power of appointment or removal of Trustees rests with the Trustees. New Trustees are primarily selected from the members of the church since this means that the Trustee body is whole heartedly involved in seeing the mission of the church worked out in practice. On being appointed, new Trustees spend time with the existing Trustees to ensure they understand their responsibilities and the legal and financial framework in which the church operates.

Whilst the church currently employs six part time staff, it is the work of every member of the church, whether employed or not, that will make the difference in the church achieving its great commission. This is done by being 'salt and light' amongst the people they interact with every day; by praying, by visiting the sick and others in need, in being involved in training others, in public teaching and worship, and also in administration. The financial resources of the church, to a very large extent, are given by the members and their private assets and resources are regularly used in the work of the church. Much of this work is done privately, without recognition, and the hours and value of the time cannot be quantified

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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#### **THE YEAR: ITS OBJECTIVES, ACHIEVEMENTS & EVENTS**

During the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, all church activity continued with no restrictions from Covid-19. All meetings are in person, but we are still maintaining an online presence.

#### ***General Church Activities***

The Lighthouse continued with a programme of training, equipping and pastoral care for the Lighthouse Church Family. The pastoral care team continued to provide care and prayer for those in need within the church and community. An updated program of Sunday services is now running with the majority also being streamed online. Additional content continues to be made available online.

#### ***Church Growth***

Although the church doesn't have a formal membership there are some 125 people who consider themselves part of the Lighthouse Family Church. Covid-19 has seen a reduction in the number of people attending the church, but the live streaming online of our services has allowed us to reach a far wider group of people geographically and we have continued to stream online content, and in particular for some members who are unable to attend in person due to ill health.

#### ***Kingdom Life School***

The Lighthouse Church started Kingdom Life School in September 2017, a programme of training aiming to equip students to boldly share and demonstrate the Kingdom of God. Whilst the school took a hiatus due to the pandemic, the 5-day school has run successfully every September since 2022 and January 2024 saw a return to a six month long school that runs until May 2024. The plan is to continue with this format in the year 2024/2025 alongside a series of online short courses that have been produced, released and made available both to our own church family and to other churches and home groups to continue with the mission to train and equip, and to give prospective students/partners a taste of the Kingdom Life School syllabus.

#### ***Overseas Mission Support***

The Lighthouse Church is currently support mission projects in 3 areas: Uganda, Japan (and South East Asia) and the Philippines. The Trustees aim to be giving at least 10% of donations towards mission.

#### ***New Building***

Having been located in the leased building at Admiralty Park for 15 years the leaders of the church began to look towards developing a larger church centre to cater for growth that has been happening amongst adults, children and youth. A 5-acre plot of land was identified and purchased January 2018 on a site close to the current building on Station Road. All demolition work has been completed. Detailed plans have been drawn up and tenders issued for the build. Additionally trust grant applications have been prepared to secure funding for the build.

#### ***Woodland Church***

The woodland church meetings have continued to be successful and well attended particularly by families with young children. There is a consistent team of volunteers who run the meetings and also undertake site maintenance activities. The plan is to further develop the site to provide more facilities and keep on top of the woodland management to allow the site to be more secure and suitable for a wider audience.

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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#### PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR

The key strategies for the church remain the same but will be reviewed by the Church leadership team on a regular basis. Fundraising will continue for the building project and plans for the next stages of development are in process. The church will continue to explore, in consultation with local churches and Christian agencies, other ways to assist the poorer sections of the community, both in the financial sense of the word but also in others. The church will also review its current support commitments and explore further overseas opportunities, including response to any appeals following emergencies and/or natural disasters around the world.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The level of donations has fallen slightly over the year but remains good providing steady income. The church has made use of various government schemes including the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and a Bounce Back Loan.

The property that was gifted to the church in a will has now been sold.

#### GRANT MAKING POLICY

Gifts to external organisations and individuals are considered by the Trustees on the basis of need and fulfilment of the charitable objectives. There are no upper or lower limits of support

#### RISK MANAGEMENT

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Contractual risks are reviewed before entering into to assess that they could not significantly impact upon the churches ability to fulfil its objectives.

#### GOVERNANCE

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 accounts comply with the Charities Acts. 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. The Trustees confirm that the accounts comply with current statutory requirements and those of the Charity's trust deed

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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#### **a. Going concern**

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **a. Constitution**

The Lighthouse Family Church is a registered charity, number 1168142, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

##### **b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees**

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

#### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the 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.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

**Christopher John Burton**

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## THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH

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### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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#### Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of The Lighthouse Family Church ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity'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 2011 Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants UK, which is one of the listed bodies.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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Signed:

Dated: 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024



**Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA**

**The ARK Financial Management Consultancy Ltd**

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**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Note	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	68,791	189,035	257,826	208,375
<b>Total income</b>		<b>68,791</b>	<b>189,035</b>	<b>257,826</b>	<b>208,375</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	3	540	178,945	179,485	197,553
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>540</b>	<b>178,945</b>	<b>179,485</b>	<b>197,553</b>
<b>Net income</b>		<b>68,251</b>	<b>10,090</b>	<b>78,341</b>	<b>10,822</b>
Transfers between funds	10	-	-	-	(45,804)
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>68,251</b>	<b>10,090</b>	<b>78,341</b>	<b>(34,982)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Total funds brought forward		570,297	534,278	1,104,575	1,139,557
Net movement in funds		68,251	10,090	78,341	(34,982)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>638,548</b>	<b>544,368</b>	<b>1,182,916</b>	<b>1,104,575</b>

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

**BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	93,749	93,749
		<u>93,749</u>	<u>93,749</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	7	1,146,493	1,054,090
Cash at bank and in hand		16,717	42,965
		<u>1,163,210</u>	<u>1,097,055</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(12,299)	(12,245)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>1,150,911</u>	<u>1,084,810</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>1,244,660</u>	<u>1,178,559</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	9	(61,744)	(73,984)
<b>Net assets excluding pension asset</b>		<u>1,182,916</u>	<u>1,104,575</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u><u>1,182,916</u></u>	<u><u>1,104,575</u></u>
<b>Charity funds</b>			
Restricted funds	10	638,548	570,297
Unrestricted funds	10	544,368	534,278
<b>Total funds</b>		<u><u>1,182,916</u></u>	<u><u>1,104,575</u></u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

**Philip Edward Read**

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Lighthouse Family Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

**1.2 Income**

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

**1.3 Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

**1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. Accounting policies (continued)**

**1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)**

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, on a reducing balance basis.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	-
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**1.5 Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**1.6 Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

**1.7 Liabilities and provisions**

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

**1.8 Fund accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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**2. Income from donations and legacies**

	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Corporate Donations	19,550	7,289	26,839	5,838
Events Income	0	8,270	8,270	4,796
General Donations	40,751	137,517	178,268	146,445
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	8,490	33,765	42,255	30,758
Other income	0	2,194	2,194	20,538
	<b>68,791</b>	<b>189,035</b>	<b>257,826</b>	<b>208,375</b>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**3. Expenditure on charitable activities**

	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds General</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Advertising	0	749	749	996
Bank charges	0	121	121	491
Catering & Refreshments	0	604	604	1,203
Event costs & Expenses	28	1,997	2,025	416
Honorariums	0	600	600	1,650
Independent examiner's fee	0	1,080	1,080	900
Legal and professional fees	0	4,472	4,472	4,576
Loan interest	0	2,240	2,240	3,154
Ministry costs	512	37,997	38,509	43,001
Office Equipment Incl Hire	0	1,785	1,785	2,895
Printing, Postage, and Stationery	0	2,167	2,167	2,121
Recruitment expenses	0	49	49	200
Rent	0	36,015	36,015	34,681
Subscription	0	1,369	1,369	1,289
Telephone and Computer charges	0	1,732	1,732	3,927
Training	0	700	700	1,334
Travelling Expenses	0	288	288	750
Utilities, Repairs and Maintenance	0	4,563	4,563	7,966
Wages and salaries	0	80,417	80,417	86,003
	<b>540</b>	<b>178,945</b>	<b>179,485</b>	<b>197,553</b>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**4. Independent examiner's remuneration**

	2024 £	2023 £
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	1,080	900

**5. Trustees' remuneration and expenses**

**Philip Edward Read** During the year ended 31 March 2024, expenses totaling £26,172 were paid directly to Trustee Phil Read (2023 - £25,247) during the year for duties carried out as minister of the church.

**Mr Ian Burton**

Provided the church with a loan to support the new building project, which is currently been paid back with interest.

As at the balance sheet date the amount due was £16,363 (2022 - £33,088)

**6. Tangible fixed assets**

	Freehold property £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 April 2023	138,749
At 31 March 2024	138,749
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 April 2023	45,000
At 31 March 2024	45,000
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 March 2024	93,749
At 31 March 2023	93,749

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**7. Debtors**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Due after more than one year</b>		
Other debtors	<b>1,146,493</b>	<b>1,053,037</b>
	<b>1,146,493</b>	<b>1,053,037</b>
<b>Due within one year</b>		
Other debtors	-	<b>1,053</b>
	<b>1,146,493</b>	<b>1,054,090</b>

**8. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other creditors	<b>11,219</b>	<b>11,345</b>
Accruals and deferred income	<b>1,080</b>	<b>900</b>
	<b>12,299</b>	<b>12,245</b>

**9. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other loans	<b>61,744</b>	<b>73,984</b>

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THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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10. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General Funds	534,278	189,035	(178,945)	544,368
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<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted Fund	570,297	68,791	(540)	638,548
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<b>Total of funds</b>	<b>1,104,575</b>	<b>257,826</b>	<b>(179,485)</b>	<b>1,182,916</b>
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

**10. Statement of funds (continued)**

**Statement of funds - prior year**

	<i>Balance at 1 April 2022</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses)</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2023</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General Funds	538,001	191,630	(195,353)	-	534,278
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Restricted Fund	601,556	16,745	(2,200)	(45,804)	570,297
<b>Total of funds</b>	<u>1,139,557</u>	<u>208,375</u>	<u>(197,553)</u>	<u>(45,804)</u>	<u>1,104,575</u>

**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1168142

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**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

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**UNAUDITED**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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**Trustees** Philip Edward Read  
Christopher John Burton  
Susan Mary Bessant  
Ian Lawrence Burton  
Benjamin Paul Harden  
Peter Martin Weir

**Charity registered  
number** 1168142

**Principal office** Unit D22, Admiralty Park  
Station Road  
Poole  
BH16 6HX

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the The Lighthouse Family Church for the year 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

#### **OBJECTS**

The primary aims of the Trust are to fulfil the role of a Christian Church in the Poole, Dorset area and to provide help to others in promoting the Christian faith in the United Kingdom and overseas.

#### **THE CHURCH: ITS AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The Church is not a building, but a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ, were also committed to love and care for each other and to bring a blessing to the area in which they lived. The Lighthouse Family Church, its trustees, leaders and members are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. It is not alone in this, it is one of many Churches in the area, country and all over the world that is rediscovering the excitement of knowing Jesus Christ. The vision is to see the people of Lytchett Matravers and the surrounding area come into this experience of knowing Jesus Christ as their Lord, Saviour and friend

The Lighthouse Family Church has a long-standing relationship with several other local Churches that pursue similar objectives in the UK and overseas and is developing relationships with other churches in planning joint ventures within the area.

Directions relating to the charitable trust are made by the Trustees in consultation with the church leaders who are responsible for governing the life and teaching of the church. Day to day decisions on expenditure and activities are decided by the church leaders, staff and volunteers in charge of different areas of the church. The power of appointment or removal of Trustees rests with the Trustees. New Trustees are primarily selected from the members of the church since this means that the Trustee body is whole heartedly involved in seeing the mission of the church worked out in practice. On being appointed, new Trustees spend time with the existing Trustees to ensure they understand their responsibilities and the legal and financial framework in which the church operates.

Whilst the church currently employs six part time staff, it is the work of every member of the church, whether employed or not, that will make the difference in the church achieving its great commission. This is done by being 'salt and light' amongst the people they interact with every day; by praying, by visiting the sick and others in need, in being involved in training others, in public teaching and worship, and also in administration. The financial resources of the church, to a very large extent, are given by the members and their private assets and resources are regularly used in the work of the church. Much of this work is done privately, without recognition, and the hours and value of the time cannot be quantified.

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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#### **THE YEAR: ITS OBJECTIVES, ACHIEVEMENTS & EVENTS**

During the year ending 31st March 2023, all church activity has resumed with no restrictions from Covid-19. All meetings are in person but we are still maintaining an online presence.

#### **General Church Activities**

The Lighthouse continued with a programme of training, equipping and pastoral care for the Lighthouse Church Family. The pastoral care team continued to provide care and prayer for those in need within the church and community. An updated program of Sunday services is now running with the majority also being streamed online. Additional content continues to be made available online.

#### **Church Growth**

Although the church doesn't have a formal membership there are some 125 people who consider themselves part of the Lighthouse Family Church. Covid-19 has seen a reduction in the number of people attending the church, but the live streaming online of our services has allowed us to reach a far wider group of people geographically and we have continued to stream online content, and in particular for some members who are unable to attend in person due to ill health.

#### **Kingdom Life School**

The Lighthouse Church started Kingdom Life School in September 2017, a programme of training aiming to equip students to boldly share and demonstrate the Kingdom of God. The school has not been able to run since the beginning of the pandemic and time is being taken to review how the school is structured with a view to restarting in the future. September 2022 saw the return of our 5-day school as a way to regroup the team, build momentum, and generate interest in the year long school. A series of online short courses have also been produced and released which have been made available both to our own church family and to other churches and home groups to continue with the mission to train and equip, and to give prospective students/partners a taste of the Kingdom Life School syllabus. The current plan is to run a six month long school in the academic year 2023/2024.

#### **Overseas Mission Support**

The Lighthouse Church is currently support mission projects in 3 areas: Uganda, Japan (and South East Asia) and the Philippines. The Trustees aim to be giving at least 10% of donations towards mission.

#### **New Building**

Having been located in the leased building at Admiralty Park for 15 years the leaders of the church began to look towards developing a larger church centre to cater for growth that has been happening amongst adults, children and youth. A 5-acre plot of land was identified and purchased January 2018 on a site close to the current building on Station Road. All demolition work has been completed. Detailed plans have been drawn up and tenders issued for the build. Additionally trust grant applications have been prepared to secure funding for the build.

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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#### **Woodland Church**

During the last year we have been able to establish a regular monthly gathering on site, using the facilities we have been able to install so far. There is a team of volunteers that work with me to deliver those sessions. We also have had several work parties to maintain the trail and open up a new one. The team made a successful application for funds towards installing an accessible off grid composting toilet, something we consider necessary to allow further development and use of the site. Work begins on its installation during the summer of 2023. It's our hope that in the coming year with the help of some suitable social media promotion we can increase the attendance of our woodland sessions as they seem to be a useful introduction to church, in particular for young families. We recently also facilitated in placing a memorial on the site to a member of the church who had passed away, something which was the member's wish as a keen supporter of our building project.

#### **PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR**

The key strategies for the church remain the same but will be reviewed by the Church leadership team on a regular basis. Fundraising will continue for the building project and plans for the next stages of development are in process. The church will continue to explore, in consultation with local churches and Christian agencies, other ways to assist the poorer sections of the community, both in the financial sense of the word but also in others. The church will also review its current support commitments and explore further overseas opportunities, including response to any appeals following emergencies and/or natural disasters around the world. Now that it is well established in its leased premises the church is open to explore opportunities for the building to be used more widely within the community

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The level of donations has fallen slightly over the year but remains good providing steady income. The church has made use of various government schemes including the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and a Bounce Back Loan.

The property that was gifted to the church in a will has now been sold, although at the financial year end the separate garage was still on the market.

#### **GRANT MAKING POLICY**

Gifts to external organisations and individuals are considered by the Trustees on the basis of need and fulfilment of the charitable objectives. There are no upper or lower limits of support.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Contractual risks are reviewed before entering into to assess that they could not significantly impact upon the churches ability to fulfil its objectives.

#### **GOVERNANCE**

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 accounts comply with the Charities Acts. 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. The Trustees confirm that the accounts comply with current statutory requirements and those of the Charity's trust deed

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## THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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#### **a. Going concern**

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **a. Constitution**

The Lighthouse Family Church is a registered charity, number 1168142, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

##### **b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees**

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

#### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the 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.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 7 October 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

**Christopher John Burton**

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## THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH

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### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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#### Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of The Lighthouse Family Church ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity'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 2011 Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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:

Dated: 7 October 2023



**Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA**

10 Gatcombe Gardens

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SO18 3NA

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Note	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	16,745	191,630	208,375	546,542
<b>Total income</b>		<u>16,745</u>	<u>191,630</u>	<u>208,375</u>	<u>546,542</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	3	2,200	195,353	197,553	308,316
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>2,200</u>	<u>195,353</u>	<u>197,553</u>	<u>308,316</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<u>14,545</u>	<u>(3,723)</u>	<u>10,822</u>	<u>238,226</u>
Prior year adjustments	10	(45,804)	-	(45,804)	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>(31,259)</u>	<u>(3,723)</u>	<u>(34,982)</u>	<u>238,226</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Total funds brought forward		601,556	538,001	1,139,557	901,331
Net movement in funds		(31,259)	(3,723)	(34,982)	238,226
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u><u>570,297</u></u>	<u><u>534,278</u></u>	<u><u>1,104,575</u></u>	<u><u>1,139,557</u></u>

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

**BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	93,749	138,749
		<u>93,749</u>	<u>138,749</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	7	1,054,090	979,911
Cash at bank and in hand		42,965	119,823
		<u>1,097,055</u>	<u>1,099,734</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(12,245)	(3,583)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>1,084,810</u>	<u>1,096,151</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>1,178,559</u>	<u>1,234,900</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	9	(73,984)	(95,343)
<b>Net assets excluding pension asset</b>		<u>1,104,575</u>	<u>1,139,557</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u><u>1,104,575</u></u>	<u><u>1,139,557</u></u>
<b>Charity funds</b>			
Restricted funds	10	570,297	601,556
Unrestricted funds	10	534,278	538,001
<b>Total funds</b>		<u><u>1,104,575</u></u>	<u><u>1,139,557</u></u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 07 October 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

**Christopher John Burton**

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Lighthouse Family Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

**1.2 Income**

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

**1.3 Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

**1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

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**1. Accounting policies (continued)**

**1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)**

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, on a reducing balance basis.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	-
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**1.5 Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**1.6 Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

**1.7 Liabilities and provisions**

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

**1.8 Fund accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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**2. Income from charitable activities**

	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>
Corporate Donations	2,800	3,038	5,838	0
Events Income	0	4,796	4,796	4,404
General Donations	12,385	134,060	146,445	204,672
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	1,560	29,198	30,758	36,760
Legacies	0	0	0	278,468
Other income	0	20,538	20,538	22,238
	<u>16,745</u>	<u>191,630</u>	<u>208,375</u>	<u>546,542</u>

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**3. Expenditure on charitable activities**

	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds General</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
(Profit)/loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	0	0	0	79,032
Accountancy fees	0	0	0	3,360
Advertising	0	996	996	2,318
Bank charges	0	491	491	555
Catering & Refreshments	0	1,203	1,203	983
Event costs & Expenses	0	416	416	192
Honorariums	0	1,650	1,650	5,039
Independent examiner's fee	0	900	900	600
Legal and professional fees	0	4,576	4,576	4,262
Loan interest	0	3,154	3,154	3,496
Ministry costs	2,200	40,801	43,001	65,673
Office Equipment Incl Hire	0	2,895	2,895	5,254
Printing, Postage, and Stationery	0	2,121	2,121	2,507
Recruitment expenses	0	200	200	267
Rent	0	34,681	34,681	34,960
Subscription	0	1,289	1,289	1,673
Telephone and Computer charges	0	3,927	3,927	3,768
Training	0	1,334	1,334	100
Travelling Expenses	0	750	750	177
Utilities, Repairs and Maintenance	0	7,966	7,966	10,805
Wages and salaries	0	86,003	86,003	83,295
	<b>2,200</b>	<b>195,353</b>	<b>197,553</b>	<b>308,316</b>

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**4. Independent examiner's remuneration**

	<b>2023</b>	<i>2022</i>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	<b>900</b>	<i>600</i>
	<b>900</b>	<i>600</i>

**5. Trustees' remuneration and expenses**

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (*2022 - £NIL*).

**Philip Edward Read** During the year ended 31 March 2023, expenses totaling £25,247 were paid directly to Trustee Phil Read (*2022 - £24,047*) during the year for duties carried out as minister of the church.

**Mr Ian Burton**

Provided the church with a loan to support the new building project, which is currently been paid back with interest.

As at the balance sheet date the amount due was £33,088 (*2022 - £48,934*)

**6. Tangible fixed assets**

	<b>Freehold property £</b>
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 April 2022	<b>138,749</b>
Prior year adjustments (revaluation)	<b>(45,000)</b>
	<b>93,749</b>
 <b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 March 2023	<b>93,749</b>
<i>At 31 March 2022</i>	<i>138,749</i>

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**7. Debtors**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Due after more than one year</b>		
Loan to Trinity Gates	1,053,037	979,911
	1,053,037	979,911
<b>Due within one year</b>		
Other debtors	1,053	-
	1,054,090	979,911

**8. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year**

	2023 £	2022 £
Other creditors	11,345	2,983
Accruals and deferred income	900	600
	12,245	3,583

**9. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year**

	2023 £	2022 £
Other loans	73,984	95,343

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10. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Prior year adjustment £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General Funds	538,001	191,630	(195,353)	-	534,278
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<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Restricted Fund	601,556	16,745	(2,200)	(45,804)	570,297
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<b>Total of funds</b>	<b>1,139,557</b>	<b>208,375</b>	<b>(197,553)</b>	<b>(45,804)</b>	<b>1,104,575</b>
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**10. Statement of funds (continued)**

**Statement of funds - prior year**

	<i>Balance at 1 April 2021 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2022 £</i>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General Funds	322,156	524,161	(308,316)	-	538,001
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Restricted Fund	356,332	22,381	-	222,843	601,556
<b>Total of funds</b>	<b>678,488</b>	<b>546,542</b>	<b>(308,316)</b>	<b>222,843</b>	<b>1,139,557</b>

**THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1168142

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# Accounts

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Charity registration number: 1168142

# The Lighthouse Family Church

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#### ***General Church Activities***

The Lighthouse continued with a programme of training, equipping and pastoral care for the Lighthouse Church Family. The pastoral care team continued to provide care and prayer for those in need within the church and community. An updated program of Sunday services is now running with the majority also being streamed online. Additional content continues to be made available online.

#### ***Church Growth***

Although the church doesn't have a formal membership there are some 125 people who consider themselves part of the Lighthouse Family Church. There has been a reduction in the number of people who are part of the Lighthouse Family Church primarily due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The church had been meeting primarily online or small groups have been encouraged to meet face to face within the Covid-19 restrictions in force at the time. Now that restrictions have been eased more face-to-face meetings are now taking place. The online activity has allowed us to reach a far wider group of people geographically and we will continue to stream online content after normal activity is resumed.

#### ***Kingdom Life School***

The Lighthouse Church started Kingdom Life School in September 2017, a programme of training aiming to equip students to boldly share and demonstrate the Kingdom of God. The school has not been able to run since the beginning of the pandemic and time is being taken to review how the school is structured with a view to restarting in the future. September 2022 will see the return of our 5-day school as a way to regroup the team, build momentum, and generate interest in the year long school. We have also designed and are currently producing a series of online short courses which we plan to make available both to our own church family and to other churches/home groups to continue with our mission to train and equip, and to give prospective students/partners a taste of the Kingdom Life School syllabus.

#### ***Overseas Mission Support***

The Lighthouse Church is currently support mission projects in 3 areas: Uganda, Japan (and South East Asia) and the Philippines. The Trustees aim to be giving at least 10% of donations towards mission.

## **Trustees' Report**

### ***New Building***

Having been located in the leased building at Admiralty Park for some 12 years the leaders of the church began to look towards developing a larger church centre to cater for growth that has been happening amongst adults, children and youth. A 5-acre plot of land was identified and purchased January 2018 on a site close to the current building on Station Road. Demolition work has been completed except for one area that needed further planning consents, which have now been granted. An alternative planning application has been made to vary the original design to allow construction to be carried out in a more phased approach as funds allow

### ***Woodland Church***

During the last year we have held several woodland work-parties which have opened-up the site to some degree for the use of church. The installation of a canopy over one of the clearings provides a sheltered area to gather around a fire pit for fellowship and food. The team also constructed a play area with mud kitchen, log stepping-stones and balance beam, some of which used timber from the two trees that were felled to open up areas of the woodland. In addition to this a container was situated on the edge of the site to provide a secure lock-up. During the last year we have held several gatherings on site including an Easter Celebration and trail, a baby dedication and woodland church. It's hoped in the coming year that we'll be able to source a disabled access composting toilet and work closely with the Scouts to clear more of the rhododendrons to make the site more usable by other community groups. We see the upgrading of the fences, an improvement of paths to key areas [toilet & firepit] and the provision of a water tap as important targets going forward.

### **PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR**

The key strategies for the church remain the same but will be reviewed by the Church leadership team on a regular basis. Fundraising will continue for the building project and plans for the next stages of development are in process. The church will continue to explore, in consultation with local churches and Christian agencies, other ways to assist the poorer sections of the community, both in the financial sense of the word but also in others. The church will also review its current support commitments and explore further overseas opportunities, including response to any appeals following emergencies and/or natural disasters around the world. Now that it is well established in its leased premises the church is open to explore opportunities for the building to be used more widely within the community

# **Trustees' Report**

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The level of donations has fallen slightly over the year but remains good providing steady income. The church has made use of various government schemes including the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and a Bounce Back Loan.

The property that was gifted to the church in a will has now been sold, although at the financial year end the separate garage was still on the market.

## **GRANT MAKING POLICY**

Gifts to external organisations and individuals are considered by the Trustees on the basis of need and fulfilment of the charitable objectives. There are no upper or lower limits of support

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Contractual risks are reviewed before entering into to assess that they could not significantly impact upon the churches ability to fulfil its objectives.

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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 accounts comply with the Charities Acts. 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. The Trustees confirm that the accounts comply with current statutory requirements and those of the Charity's trust deed

## Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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Approved by the trustees of the charity on 6th September 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



.....  
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Trustee

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of The Lighthouse Family Church**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 8 to 18.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees of The Lighthouse Family Church 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 Lighthouse Family Church'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**

Since The Lighthouse Family Church's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants UK, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of The Lighthouse Family Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.



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## Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
Note	£	£	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Charitable activities	524,161	22,381	546,542	226,225
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities	(308,316)	-	(308,316)	(264,306)
Total expenditure	(308,316)	-	(308,316)	(264,306)
Net movement in funds	215,845	22,381	238,226	(38,081)
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward	322,156	356,332	678,488	716,569
Total funds carried forward	12 538,001	378,713	916,714	678,488

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2021 is shown in note 12.

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**Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022**

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	138,749	496,249
Investments	7	979,911	771,933
		1,118,660	1,268,182
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	8	-	4,721
Cash at bank and in hand	9	119,823	41,806
		119,823	46,527
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	10	(3,583)	(3,173)
<b>Net current assets</b>		116,240	43,354
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		1,234,900	1,311,536
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	11	(95,343)	(194,737)
<b>Net assets</b>		1,139,557	1,116,799
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Restricted income funds</b>			
Restricted funds		601,556	794,643
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		315,158	322,156
Revaluation reserve		222,843	-
Total unrestricted funds		538,001	322,156
<b>Total funds</b>	12	1,139,557	1,116,799

The financial statements on pages 8 to 18 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 6th September 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

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Christopher John Burton  
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# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

## 1 Accounting policies

### Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

### Basis of preparation

The Lighthouse Family Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

### Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

### Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

### Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

## **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

### **Taxation**

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

### **Tangible fixed assets**

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

### **Depreciation and amortisation**

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

33% straight line depreciation policy for computer equipment

20% straight line depreciation policy on furniture, fittings, plant and machinery

### **Fixed asset investments**

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the year end.

### **Trade debtors**

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

### **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

### Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

### 2 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted		Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
	General £	Restricted £		
			204,672	
General Donations	185,587	19,085		209,750
Legacies	278,468	-	278,468	-
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	33,708	3,052	36,760	-
Charges (Events)	-	-	-	710
Kingdom Life School - Fees	-	-	-	316
Events Income	4,160	244	4,404	6
Other income	22,238	-	22,238	15,442
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-	1
	524,161	22,381	546,542	226,225

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

### 3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	<b>Unrestricted</b>		
	<b>General</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Note</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other fundraising costs	-	-	388
Wages and salaries	83,295	83,295	92,740
Event costs & Expenses	192	192	36,365
Kingdom Life School Costs	-	-	229
Kids & Youth Expenses	-	-	1,610
Telephone and Computer charges	3,768	3,768	3,785
Recruitment expenses	267	267	358
Subscription	1,673	1,673	-
Training	100	100	-
Depreciation of long leasehold	-	-	61,198
Depreciation of office equipment	-	-	2,599
(Profit)/loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	79,032	79,032	-
Advertising	2,318	2,318	-
Catering & Refreshments	983	983	-
Travelling Expenses	177	177	-
Printing, Postage, and Stationery	2,507	2,507	2,155
Professional Fees	-	-	7,216
Rent	34,960	34,960	32,199
Utilities, Repairs and Maintenance	10,805	10,805	4,273
Premises Expenses	-	-	9,578
Office Equipment Incl Hire	5,254	5,254	1,580
Ministry costs	65,673	65,673	-
Accountancy fees	3,360	3,360	-
Independent examiner's fee	600	600	600
Legal and professional fees	4,262	4,262	-
Bank charges	555	555	297
Loan interest	3,496	3,496	7,136
Honorariums	5,039	5,039	-
	<b>308,316</b>	<b>308,316</b>	<b>264,306</b>

## **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

### **4 Trustees remuneration and expenses**

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

#### **Philip Edward Read**

Philip Edward Read received remuneration of £24,047 (2021: £24,934) during the year, for duties carried out as minister of the church

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

### 5 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

### 6 Tangible fixed assets

	<b>Land and buildings £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 April 2021	496,249	496,249
Prior year adjustment	(17,500)	(17,500)
Disposals	(340,000)	(340,000)
At 31 March 2022	138,749	138,749
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 31 March 2022	-	-
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 31 March 2022	138,749	138,749
At 31 March 2021	496,249	496,249

### 7 Fixed asset investments

	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Other investments	979,911	771,933

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

### Other investments

	<b>Unlisted investments £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost or Valuation</b>		
At 1 April 2021	979,911	979,911
At 31 March 2022	979,911	979,911
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 31 March 2022	979,911	979,911
At 31 March 2021	979,911	979,911

### 8 Debtors

	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Prepayments	-	2,455
Other debtors	-	2,266
	-	4,721

### 9 Cash and cash equivalents

	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Cash at bank	119,823	41,806

### 10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Other creditors	2,983	2,573
Accruals	600	600
	3,583	3,173

### 11 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Other loans	95,343	194,737

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

### 12 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Other recognised gains/(los ses) £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General	322,156	524,161	(308,316)	-	538,001
<b>Restricted</b>	356,332	22,381	-	222,843	601,556
<b>Total funds</b>	678,488	546,542	(308,316)	222,843	1,139,557
	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Other recognised gains/(los ses) £
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General	203,976	226,225	(264,306)	156,261	-
<b>Restricted</b>	512,593	-	-	(156,261)	438,311
<b>Total funds</b>	716,569	226,225	(264,306)	-	438,311
					<b>Balance at 31 March 2021 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General					322,156
<b>Restricted</b>					794,643
<b>Total funds</b>					1,116,799

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

### 13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	(17,500)	156,249	138,749
Fixed asset investments	-	979,911	979,911
Current assets	119,823	-	119,823
Current liabilities	(3,583)	-	(3,583)
Creditors over 1 year	-	(95,343)	(95,343)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>98,740</b>	<b>1,040,817</b>	<b>1,139,557</b>
	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds 2021 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	340,000	156,249	496,249
Fixed asset investments	-	771,933	771,933
Current assets	46,527	-	46,527
Current liabilities	(3,173)	-	(3,173)
Creditors over 1 year	-	(194,737)	(194,737)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>383,354</b>	<b>733,445</b>	<b>1,116,799</b>

### 14 Related party transactions

The charity made the following related party transactions during the year.

#### **Mr Ian Burton**

Provided the church with a loan to support the new building project, which is currently been paid back with interest.

As at the balance sheet date the amount due was £48,934 (2021 - £64,137)

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It is anticipated that regular church activity may be able to resume from September 2021, following Covid-19 regulations and guidance in force at the time.

#### ***Church Growth***

Although the church doesn't have a formal membership there are some 250 people who consider themselves part of the Lighthouse Family Church. The church has been meeting primarily online or small groups have been encouraged to meet face to face within the Covid-19 restrictions in force at the time. The online activity has allowed us to reach a far wider group of people geographically and the aim will be to continue to streaming online content after normal activity is resumed.

#### ***Kingdom Life School***

The Lighthouse Church started Kingdom Life School in September 2017, a programme of training aiming to equip students to boldly share and demonstrate the Kingdom of God. The school has not been able to run this year due to Covid-19 however regular content has been produced online and a successful online conference has been held with more planned for later in 2021. The school aims to restart in January 2022.

#### ***Overseas Mission Support***

The Lighthouse Church is currently support mission projects in 3 areas: Uganda, Japan (and South East Asia) and the Philippines. The Trustees aim to be giving at least 10% of donations towards mission.

## **Trustees' Report**

### ***New Building***

Having been located in the leased building at Admiralty Park for some 12 years the leaders of the church began to look towards developing a larger church centre to cater for growth that has been happening amongst adults, children and youth. A 5-acre plot of land was identified and purchased January 2018 on a site close to the current building on Station Road. Demolition of existing building began in early in 2020 although work was forced to stop due to the Covid-19 pandemic and lockdown that was imposed towards the end of March. Further work on demolition, site clearance and initial groundworks took place in the latter part of 2020.

### **PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR**

Lockdown restrictions are due to ease during Spring and Summer of 2021. Some face-to-face gatherings are planned before and during the summer holidays with the aim to restart full services at some point after the summer holidays. A primary focus will remain looking after those in need within the church and wider community. There will continue to be a fair amount of church activity done online.

The key strategies for the church are to remain the same but will be reviewed by the Church leadership team on a regular basis. Fundraising will continue for the building project and plans for the next stages of development are in process. The church will continue to explore, in consultation with local churches and Christian agencies, other ways to assist the poorer sections of the community, both in the financial sense of the word but also in others. The church will also review its current support commitments and explore further overseas opportunities, including response to any appeals following emergencies and/or natural disasters around the world. Now that it is well established in its leased premises the church is open to explore opportunities for the building to be used more widely within the community.

# **Trustees' Report**

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The level of donations has fallen slightly over the year but remains good providing steady income. The church has made use of various government schemes including the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and a Bounce Back Loan.

The church has been gifted a property in a will and this is currently on the market with the aim of using the proceeds to pay back various loans and progress with developing the new building.

## **GRANT MAKING POLICY**

Gifts to external organisations and individuals are considered by the Trustees on the basis of need and fulfilment of the charitable objectives. There are no upper or lower limits of support

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Contractual risks are reviewed before entering into to assess that they could not significantly impact upon the churches ability to fulfil its objectives.

## **GOVERNANCE**

In 2017 the trustees set up a new charitable body for the governance of the Lighthouse Church. The new charity is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO). 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 accounts comply with the Charities Acts. 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. The Trustees confirm that the accounts comply with current statutory requirements and those of the Charity's trust deed.

## Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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 the trustees of the charity on 7 June 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



.....  
Christopher John Burton  
Trustee

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of The Lighthouse Family Church**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 8 to 18.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees of The Lighthouse Family Church 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 Lighthouse Family Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of The Lighthouse Family Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.



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Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA

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7 June 2021

## Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
Note	£	£	2021	2020
			£	£
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Charitable activities	226,225	-	226,225	412,513
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities	(264,306)	-	(264,306)	(235,673)
Total expenditure	(264,306)	-	(264,306)	(235,673)
Net (expenditure)/income	(38,081)	-	(38,081)	176,840
Gross transfers between funds	156,261	(156,261)	-	-
Net movement in funds	118,180	(156,261)	(38,081)	176,840
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward	203,976	512,593	716,569	539,729
Total funds carried forward	13 322,156	356,332	678,488	716,569

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2020 is shown in note 13.

**(Registration number: 1168142)**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021**

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	496,249	220,046
Investments	7	771,933	-
		1,268,182	220,046
<b>Current assets</b>			
Stocks	8	-	21
Debtors	9	4,721	602,774
Cash at bank and in hand	10	41,806	2,719
		46,527	605,514
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	11	(3,173)	(13,991)
<b>Net current assets</b>		43,354	591,523
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		1,311,536	811,569
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	12	(194,737)	(95,000)
<b>Net assets</b>		1,116,799	716,569
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Restricted income funds</b>			
Restricted funds		794,643	657,171
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		322,156	59,398
<b>Total funds</b>	13	1,116,799	716,569

The financial statements on pages 8 to 18 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 7 June 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

.....  
Christopher John Burton  
Trustee

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

## 1 Accounting policies

### Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

### Basis of preparation

The Lighthouse Family Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

### Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

### Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

## Income and endowments

### Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

### Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

## **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

### **Taxation**

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

### **Tangible fixed assets**

Individual fixed assets costing £0.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

### **Depreciation and amortisation**

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

33% straight line depreciation policy for computer equipment

20% straight line depreciation policy on furniture, fittings, plant and machinery

### **Fixed asset investments**

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the year end.

### **Stock**

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO).

### **Trade debtors**

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

### Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

## 2 Income from charitable activities

	<b>Unrestricted</b>		
	<b>General</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
General Donations	-	-	141,013
General Donations	209,750	209,750	170,447
Donations (Support)	-	-	49,669
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	-	-	3,565
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	-	-	28,200
Charges (Events)	710	710	7,144
Kingdom Life School - Fees	316	316	11,618
Other "Sales" Income	6	6	856
Other income	15,442	15,442	-
Bank interest receivable	1	1	1
	<u>226,225</u>	<u>226,225</u>	<u>412,513</u>

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

### 3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	<b>Unrestricted</b>		
	<b>General</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Note</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other fundraising costs	388	388	-
Wages and salaries	92,740	92,740	117,999
Sundry expenses	-	-	1,094
Event costs & Expenses	36,365	36,365	17,162
Kingdom Life School Costs	229	229	3,558
Kids & Youth Expenses	1,610	1,610	897
Other Purchases for Distribution	-	-	1,437
Telephone and Computer charges	3,785	3,785	1,699
Recruitment expenses	358	358	-
Training	-	-	1,866
Depreciation of long leasehold	61,198	61,198	-
Depreciation of office equipment	2,599	2,599	1,619
Catering & Refreshments	-	-	1,732
Travelling Expenses	-	-	374
Printing, Postage, and Stationery	2,155	2,155	2,554
Professional Fees	7,216	7,216	6,564
Rent	32,199	32,199	32,100
Utilities	4,273	4,273	5,895
Premises Expenses	9,578	9,578	10,840
Equipment Hire and Rental	1,580	1,580	5,513
Motor Vehicle Costs	-	-	141
Support for missions	-	-	21,385
Independent examiner's fee	600	600	600
Bank charges	297	297	644
Loan interest	7,136	7,136	-
	264,306	264,306	235,673

## **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

### **4 Trustees remuneration and expenses**

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

#### **Philip Edward Read**

Philip Edward Read received remuneration of £24,934 (2020: £40,000) during the year, for duties carried out as minister of the church.

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

### 5 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

### 6 Tangible fixed assets

	<b>Land and buildings £</b>	<b>Furniture and equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 April 2020	156,249	25,993	182,242
Additions	340,000	-	340,000
At 31 March 2021	496,249	25,993	522,242
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 1 April 2020	-	23,394	23,394
Charge for the year	-	2,599	2,599
At 31 March 2021	-	25,993	25,993
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 March 2021	496,249	-	496,249
At 31 March 2020	156,249	2,599	158,848

### 7 Fixed asset investments

	<b>2021</b> <b>£</b>
Other investments	771,933

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

### Other investments

	<b>Unlisted investments £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost or Valuation</b>		
At 1 April 2020	771,933	771,933
At 31 March 2021	771,933	771,933
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 31 March 2021	771,933	771,933
At 31 March 2020	771,933	771,933

### 8 Stock

	<b>2021 £</b>	<b>2020 £</b>
Stocks	-	21

### 9 Debtors

	<b>2021 £</b>	<b>2020 £</b>
Prepayments	2,455	599,843
Other debtors	2,266	2,931
	4,721	602,774

### 10 Cash and cash equivalents

	<b>2021 £</b>	<b>2020 £</b>
Cash at bank	41,806	2,719

### 11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>2021 £</b>	<b>2020 £</b>
Other creditors	2,573	13,991
Accruals	600	-
	3,173	13,991

### 12 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	<b>2021 £</b>	<b>2020 £</b>
Other loans	194,737	95,000

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

### 13 Funds

	<b>Balance at 1 April 2020</b>	<b>Incoming resources</b>	<b>Resources expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Other recognised gains/(los ses)</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General	203,976	226,225	(264,306)	156,261	-
<b>Restricted</b>	512,593	-	-	(156,261)	438,311
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>716,569</u>	<u>226,225</u>	<u>(264,306)</u>		<u>-</u> 438,311
					<b>Balance at 31 March 2021</b>
					<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General					322,156
<b>Restricted</b>					<u>794,643</u>
<b>Total funds</b>					<u>1,116,799</u>
					<b>Balance at 31 March 2020</b>
					<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General	51,536	267,935	(235,673)	(24,400)	59,398
<b>Restricted</b>	488,193	144,578	-	24,400	657,171
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>539,729</u>	<u>412,513</u>	<u>(235,673)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>716,569</u>

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

### 14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds 2021 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	340,000	156,249	496,249
Fixed asset investments	-	771,933	771,933
Current assets	46,527	-	46,527
Current liabilities	(3,173)	-	(3,173)
Creditors over 1 year	-	(194,737)	(194,737)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>383,354</b>	<b>733,445</b>	<b>1,116,799</b>
	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds 2020 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	2,599	217,447	220,046
Current assets	310,368	295,146	605,514
Current liabilities	(13,991)	-	(13,991)
Creditors over 1 year	(95,000)	-	(95,000)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>203,976</b>	<b>512,593</b>	<b>716,569</b>

### 15 Related party transactions

The charity made the following related party transactions during the year.

#### **Mr Ian Burton**

Provided the church with a loan to support the new building project, which is currently been paid back with interest.

As at the balance sheet date the amount due was £64,137 (2020 - £75,000)