

KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

England & Wales · Charity number 1169734

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2016-10-18

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

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Activities

Objects: (I) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE SUBJECT OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES.(II) THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION MAINLY, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, BY MEANS OF BROADCASTING CHRISTIAN MESSAGES OF AN EVANGELISTIC AND TEACHING NATURE.(III) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE HOLDING OF PRAYER MEETINGS, LECTURES, PUBLIC RELIGIOUS SERVICES, AND PRODUCING AND/OR DISTRIBUTING LITERATURE ON CHRISTIANITY TO ENLIGHTEN OTHERS ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION.

Activities: Provision of online theological courses and training, together with the advancement of the Christian faith through public lectures, meetings, study events and publishing.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Australia
- Denmark
- Germany
- Hong Kong
- New Zealand
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Spain
- United States
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£47,019	£37,957	-	-
2023-12-31	£46,748	£51,519	-	-
2023-03-31	£70,797	£91,600	-	-
2022-03-31	£91,838	£96,206	-	-
2021-03-31	£88,944	£61,525	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Angela Graham		2025-03-13
Dr Charles Blundell		2024-09-25
Gary Edwards		2009-01-25
Stephen Davies		2024-01-26

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

FOR

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Trustees

Gary Edwards (Chair)

David Williams

Steven Davies (appointed 26 January 2024)

Charles Blundell (appointed 25 September 2024)

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KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

King's Evangelical Divinity School (KEDS) exists to advance the education of the public in theology and religious studies and the Christian faith. It offers accredited courses at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the Trust for the period ended 1 December 2024.

1. Objectives

The charitable objects as detailed in the Trust Deed dated 25th January 2009 are:

- 1) to advance the education of the public in the subject of theology and religious studies.
- 2) the advancement of the Christian religion mainly, but not exclusively, by means of broadcasting Christian messages of an evangelistic and teaching nature.
- 3) to advance the Christian religion for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures, public religious services, and producing and/or distributing literature on Christianity to enlighten others about the Christian religion.

2. Activities

History

The school was founded in 1990 in the midlands by a local church to provide evening and short courses in biblical studies and theology to Evangelical Christians. Courses were initially unaccredited and most of the tutors were local church pastors. In 2002 the school began to offer formally accredited undergraduate studies via the University of Wales, and by 2009 was also offering accredited postgraduate studies. In 2008, the school became independent of its parent local church and was renamed King's Evangelical Divinity School. In 2010 King's became a partner college of the Theology and Religious Studies department at the University of Chester. The school now operates remotely and currently offers Bachelor of Theology, Graduate Diploma and Master of Arts programmes validated by Chester University. King's also offers its own internally validated programmes and short courses.

Ongoing activities

The school specialises in distance learning and all its programmes are delivered online. Faculty at the school come from across the United Kingdom and overseas, and students are based in the both the UK (60%) and overseas (40%). Currently, overseas students primarily reside in English-speaking countries and the European Union.

The school also holds conferences and teaching events, conducts study trips, and publishes theological materials. It has occasional involvement in short-term missions.

Activities in the year ended 31 Dec 2024

At the beginning of this period (1 January 2024), Dr. Anthony Royle took over as school principal from Dr. Calvin Smith, who resigned on 31st December 2023. The Trustees and all

former students sincerely thank Dr. Smith for his decades of faithful and excellent service. With the change of principal, it was an opportune moment to change the Trust's Accounting Period to begin with the start of Dr. Royle's tenure.

The school continues to have a substantial number of students on BTh and MA courses validated by the University of Chester. Although the University of Chester decided in summer 2023 to stop validating courses for any new students with the school, all existing students are allowed to complete their courses with validation from Chester. However, this loss of ability to offer validated courses meant the pressing issue for this year for the Trust was to find a new validating partner so that students could continue to be attracted to the school.

Having explored several options, the Trustees with the School Principal agreed to join the European Council of Theological Education (ECTE) as the school's new validating partner in December 2024. This partnership allows the school to continue to offer accredited courses, while providing students with greater flexibility in transferring credits to other programs in the UK and USA.

The main objectives for the Trust in 2025 are therefore 1) to appropriately adapt our courses to our new validating partner's system and 2) then attract new students to study them.

In this period, the school also launched a successful podcast, conducted a successful seminar series on cutting-edge theological research, and held a well-attended conference teaching day on Supersessionism.

The Trust works with several churches and Christian organisations in the UK and abroad in order to achieve its objectives. In this period, it has become member of the Evangelical Alliance.

3. Financial Review

The accounts for the Trust are attached and have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Charities Commission guidance paper FRS102 for smaller charities.

During this period the Trust has received income of £47,019 and incurred expenditure of £37,957. At the balance sheet date of 31st December 2024, the Trust had a cash position of £9,062 and assets totalling £64. None of the cash is restricted. The Trust has no creditors and only has obligations to distribute the donations received in accordance with the wishes of the benefactors. The Trustees are encouraged that the financial position is considerably improved compared to the start of the period. In view of this, the Trustees are satisfied that the Trust be considered a going concern.

The two main sources of income are tuition fees and donations. The main expenses relate to the provision of academic services (tutoring and other professional), IT costs, and financial and insurance costs. The Trustees are satisfied that the level of reserves in the Trust is adequate for the next year.

4. Structure, Governance and Management

Nature of governing document

The Trust is governed by a Deed dated 25th January 2009.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual 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 period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Trust 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 Trust 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 Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Organisational structure

The Trustees oversee and make decisions regarding the strategic direction of the charity in co-ordination with the School Principal (Dr. Anthony Royle), as well as setting budgets, and dealing with legal and personnel issues. Gary Edwards holds the position of Chairman. The Trustees delegate the day-to-day running of the Trust to the School Principal, who actions all the key objectives and operations of the Trust. Trustees review the operations of the Trust on a quarterly basis and are involved in day-to-day management decisions as requested by Dr. Royle.

Risks

The Trustees review the major risks to which the Trust is exposed. The Trustees believe that maintaining reserves at the levels stated, combined with annual reviews of the controls over

key financial systems, will provide enough resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees are aware of other operational, external and law compliance risks which the Trust faces and confirm that they have considered and mitigated against the significant risks.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

New Trustees are appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the existing Trustees. When the Trust seeks potential new Trustees, it does so through its network of contacts. In selecting individuals for appointment as a Trustees, the existing Trustees have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Trust. Trustees are interviewed and provide both professional and personal references before they are considered for appointment.

In this period, Mr. Eric Buttery resigned as Academic Administrator. The Trustees thank him for his years of faithful support of the Trust.

Also in this period, Mr. Steven Davies and Dr. Charles Blundell were appointed as Trustees on the 26 January and 25 September 2024, respectively. New Trustees are given training as to their obligations as per the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, as well as orientation in the Trust’s Deed, decision-making processes, business plan and recent financial performance. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate external training events where these will facilitate the undertaking of their role.

This annual report was approved by the Trustees of the Trust and signed on its behalf by:

Signed.....*GE Edwards*.....

Date.....*04/02/25*.....

Gary Edwards
Chairman and Trustee

KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024, which are set out on pages 9 and 10.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the "Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, and
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting recordshave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signed.....

Date.....

KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023 ¹
Operating Income (£)		
Tuition Fees	39,177	44,373
Gifts and Donations	7,020	387
Alumni Contributions	0	86
Bank Deposit Interest	57 ²	38
Publishing and Sales	0	16
Refunds	<u>765</u>	<u>1848</u>
TOTAL	47,019	46,748
Operating Expenses (£)		
Academic expenses and Services	12,628	9,622
Tutor expenses	1,941	2,017
Administrator & Secretarial	0	0
Payroll & Professional fees	18,500	33,509
IT Costs	1,743	3,143
Insurances	583	588
Office & Other operational costs	2,426	754
Finance & Interest charges	0	1813
Sundry expenses	73	73
Office Assets	<u>63²</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	37,957	51,519

Notes:

¹The Trust's end of financial year was changed to 31st December from 1st March in the previous period, reducing that accounting period to 9 months. The comparison between this report period (year ended 31st December 2024) and the previous ('year' ended 31 December 2023) therefore reflects 12 months vs 9 months, respectively.

²The profit/loss statement and cash summary report an income of £46,926, compared to £47,019 on the annual return—a £57 difference due to bank interest being recorded as income in the annual return but as an expense in the profit/loss statement, ensuring consistent categorisation for 2023 and 2024. Similarly, expenses in the profit/loss and cash summary total £37,837, while the annual return shows £37,957—a £120 difference. This discrepancy arises from £63 in fixed assets (not listed as an expense on both reports) and £57 in bank interest.

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**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023¹
Assets (£)		
Current Assets		
Cash at bank	9,062	0
Cash at hand	0	0
Tangible Assets (office Equipment)	<u>64</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	9,126	0
Liabilities (£)		
Card Account	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	0	0
TOTAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	9,126	0

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This financial report was approved by the Trustees of the Trust and signed on its behalf by:

Signed.....G E Edwards

Date.....04/02/25

Gary Edwards
Chairman and Trustee

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Broadstairs
Kent

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December ²⁰²³~~2020~~ which are set out on pages 6 and 7.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the account. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

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Basis of independent examiner's statement

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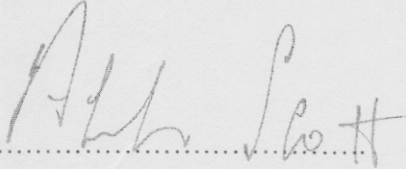
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Have not been met; or

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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4 Orchard Close
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Canterbury CT2 7AL

Signed  Date 4th April 2023

KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	£	Dec 2023 £	£	2022 £
Operating Income				
Tuition fees		44373		69386
Gifts and donations		387		1107
Alumni Contributions		86		260
Bank deposit interest		38		29
Publishing and sales		16		15
Refunds		1848		0
		<u>46748</u>		<u>70797</u>
Operating Expenses				
Academic expenses and services	9622		26192	
Tutor expenses	2017		4979	
Administrator and secretarial	0		130	
Payroll and professional fees	33509		51165	
IT costs	3143		4124	
Insurances	588		779	
Office and other operational costs	754		1733	
Finance and interest charges	1813		2434	
Sundry expenses	73		64	
	<u>51519</u>		<u>91600</u>	
Surplus/Deficit for the year	<u>(4771)</u>		<u>(20803)</u>	

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BALANCE SHEET ²⁰²³
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

ASSETS	Dec 2023	2022/23
Current assets	£	£
Cash at banks	0	11221
Cash at hand	0	500
Total current assets	0	11721
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Card account	0	(6380)
Total current liabilities	0	(6380)
TOTAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	0	<u>5341</u>

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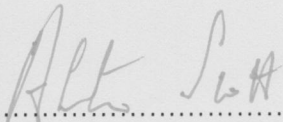
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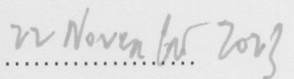
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Signed 

Date 

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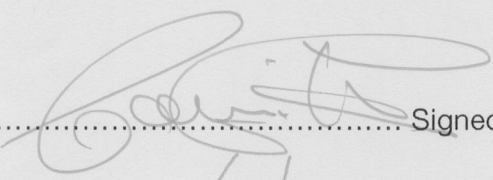
	£	2023 £	£	2022 £
Operating Income				
Tuition fees		69386		90608
Gifts and donations		1107		833
Alumni Contributions		260		195
Bank deposit interest		29		3
Publishing and sales		15		99
Sundry income		0		100
		<u>70797</u>		<u>91838</u>
Operating Expenses				
Academic expenses and services	26192		23855	
Tutor expenses	4979		2975	
Administrator and secretarial	130		100	
Payroll and professional fees	51165		54675	
IT costs	4124		10059	
Insurances	779		768	
Office and other operational costs	1733		1504	
Finance and interest charges	2434		2103	
Sundry expenses	64		167	
		<u>91600</u>		<u>96206</u>
Surplus/Deficit for the year		<u>(20803)</u>		<u>(4368)</u>

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KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

ASSETS	2023	2022
Current assets	£	£
Cash at banks	11221	29605
Cash at hand	500	330
Total current assets	11721	29935
 LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Card account	(6380)	(3836)
Total current liabilities	(6380)	(3836)
 TOTAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	 <u>5341</u>	 <u>26099</u>


..... Signed as approved
22/11/23
..... Date

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KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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EXAMINER'S REPORT YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the account. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year and that an independent examination is needed.

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Independent examiner's statement

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Alastair Scott
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15 December 2022

KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Operating Income				
Tuition fees		90608		87722
Gifts and donations		833		926
Alumni Contributions		195		0
Bank deposit interest		3		5
Publishing and sales		99		72
Sundry income		100		219
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		91838		88944
Operating Expenses				
Academic expenses and services	23855		7908	
Tutor expenses	2975		75	
Administrator and secretarial	100		4850	
Payroll and professional fees	54675		38829	
IT costs	10059		4686	
Insurances	768		641	
Office and other operational costs	1504		2470	
Finance and interest charges	2103		1983	
Sundry expenses	167		83	
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	96206		61525	
Surplus/Deficit for the year	(4368)		27419	

KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2022**

ASSETS	2022	2021
Current assets	£	£
Cash at banks	29605	36225
Cash at hand	330	-
Total current assets	29935	36255
 LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Card account	(3836)	(5758)
Total current liabilities	(3836)	(5758)
 TOTAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	<u>26099</u>	<u>30467</u>

 Signed as approved
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15 Dec 2022 Date
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KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

England & Wales - Charity number 1169734

Accounts

Registered Charity No 1169734

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021
FOR
KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

Broadstairs
Kent

KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

GENERAL INFORMATION

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After a previous year of growth the pandemic hit shortly before the start of the 2020-21 financial year. This affected operating income, with prospective and some existing students wary of making long-term financial commitments in uncertain times. However, unlike traditional study programmes delivered in person, which experienced considerable upheaval because of the pandemic, the school's focus on online and distance learning permitted KEDS to continue operating normally.

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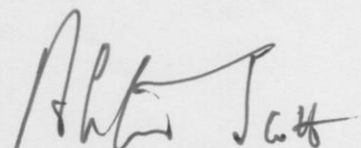
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9 Feb 2022

Date

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	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
Operating Income				
Tuition fees		87722		101690
Gifts and donations		926		944
Bank deposit interest		5		26
Publishing and sales		72		219
Sundry income		219		153
		88944		103032
Operating Expenses				
Academic expenses and services	7908		34303	
Tutor expenses	75		8016	
Administrator and secretarial	4850		15410	
Payroll and professional fees	38829		40456	
IT costs	4686		3228	
Insurances	641		775	
Office and other operational costs	2470		2362	
Finance and interest charges	1983		2256	
Sundry expenses	83		40	
	61525		106847	
Surplus/Deficit for the year	27419		(3815)	

KING'S EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2021**

ASSETS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Current assets		
Cash at banks	36225	8905
Cash at hand	1	-
Total current assets	36225	8905

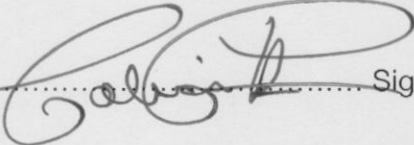
LIABILITIES

Current liabilities

Card account	(5758)	(5942)
Total current liabilities	(5758)	(5942)

TOTAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

30467	2963
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 Signed as approved

9 FEB 2022 Date