

# NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF PRAYER

England & Wales · Charity number 1170454

## Details

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**Other names** NDHOP

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2016-11-29

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** "TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC INNORTH DEVON AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEEVANGELICAL ALLIANCE STATEMENT OF FAITH"(1) DEVELOPING AND MAKING AVAILABLE A CHRISTIAN PRAYER RESOURCE CENTRE IN NORTH DEVON, HELPING PEOPLE TO EXPLORE PRAYER AND THE SPIRITUAL DIMENSION OF LIFE WITH MULTIPLE PRAYER ROOMS AVAILABLE FOR PRAYER AND STAFFED BY A TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS;(2) ORGANISING ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES THAT EXPLORE CHRISTIAN PRAYER IN VARIOUS DIMENSIONS;(3) BEING A RESOURCE HUB OF INFORMATION ABOUT PRAYER AND EDUCATION ABOUT CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY FOR LOCAL CONGREGATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS; AND(4) OFFERING CHRISTIAN OUTREACH AND SERVICES FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS BASED AROUND EXPLORING SPIRITUALITY;(5) PROVIDING A DROP-IN SERVICE FOR PEOPLE SEEKING SUPPORT OR A CHAT;(6) RUNNING TRAINING COURSES ABOUT PRAYER AND ASPECTS OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH;(7) COORDINATING CONFERENCES FOR CHRISTIANS IN THE WIDER AREA;(8) OFFERING HELP IN LOCAL SCHOOLS THROUGH RE CLASSES, ASSEMBLIES AND SCHOOL VISITS TO OUR PREMISES; AND(9) RUNNING A CONFIDENTIAL LISTENING AND HEALING PRAYER SERVICE IN A LOCAL COMMUNITY BUILDING. OUR FACILITIES ARE OPEN ON MOST DAYS AND EVENINGS.(10) UNDERTAKING MISSIONS IN THE UK AND OVERSEAS.(11) TO MAKE GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS IN LINE WITH THE ABOVE OBJECTIVE.(12) THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY OR FINANCIAL HARDSHIP IN NORTH DEVON AND TORRIDGE BY PROVIDING GRANTS, ITEMS, OR SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED.

**Activities:** The North Devon House of Prayer is a prayer room open throughout the week to pray for a variety of topics from justice to missions and for individuals to come worship God and spend time with Him. The North Devon House of Prayer is a relaxed environment focused on worship and intimacy. We are linked relationally to a number of regional houses of prayer

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£25,732	£27,194	-	-
2023-08-31	£22,940	£49,218	-	-
2022-08-31	£25,530	£30,719	-	-
2021-08-31	£53,491	£20,489	-	-
2020-08-31	£20,411	£23,731	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Andrew Lynch</b>	Chair	2020-09-21
James Ware		2013-11-01
Jonathan James Moles		2021-03-21
Mary Anne Ware		2022-03-21

**NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF PRAYER**

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# Accounts

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Trustees Annual Report and Accounts  
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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024**

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st August 2024. The trustees have opted, under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act'), to prepare receipts and payments accounts.

**Objectives and Aims**

To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in North Devon and throughout the world in accordance with the evangelical alliance statement of faith by:

- 1) Developing and making available a Christian prayer resource centre in North Devon, helping people to explore prayer and the spiritual dimension of life with multiple prayer rooms available for prayer and staffed by a team of volunteers;
- (2) organising activities and special worship services that explore Christian prayer in various dimensions;
- (3) being a resource hub of information about prayer and education about Christian spirituality for local congregations and individuals;
- (4) offering Christian outreach and services for community groups based around exploring spirituality;
- (5) providing a drop-in service for people seeking support or a chat;
- (6) running training courses about prayer and aspects of the Christian faith;
- (7) coordinating conferences for Christians in the wider area;
- (8) offering help in local schools through R. E. classes, assemblies and school visits to our premises;
- (9) running a confidential listening and healing prayer service in a local community building. Our facilities are open on most days and evenings;
- (10) undertaking missions in the UK and overseas;
- (11) to make grants to individuals and organisations in line with the above objective;
- (12) The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship in North Devon and Torridge by providing grants, items or services to individuals in need.

**Public benefit**

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider that the activities of the charity meet its charitable objectives and provide a benefit to the public.

**Achievement and Performance**

**Charitable activities**

We have continued as a ministry under the same objects since our last reporting.

The prayer room has remained open approximately 40 hours a week to the public through structured worship and prayer as well as being a space to seek prayer either with others or alone. Additionally, Street Pastors and Try Praying both utilized the facilities weekly respectively. We continued with staff training and building a staff team ready for our different opening times that launched in September 2024. During the month of August, we undertook general maintenance of the public spaces in the building through repainting and updating the resources available. The space is now much more user friendly to anyone coming in for the 1<sup>st</sup> time.

As a team, we spent time prayer walking different towns and assisting several churches with worship and prayer. We have remained prominent members of Barnstaple Churches Together with members of the Leadership Team on the enabling group.

On several occasions, members of the Team have been requested to baptize people on the local beaches. Others have spoken at local churches and many have taken opportunities to encourage or assist members of the local community as they visit the centre.

Again, we have undertaken several UK based missions helping other Houses of Prayer, namely Telford and Coventry, as well as being involved in the steering of the UK Houses of Prayer network. During April, the ministry Director again started riding from John O'Groats down the East Coast of the country, meeting leaders and building connections across the United Kingdom. This bike ride of the east coast of the UK along to Lands'

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End Cornwall, was completed in September. There has been a lot of connections to others across the UK due to this work. Additionally, another member of the team did Devon coast to coast from Ilfracombe to Plymouth, praying across the peninsula as part of their role at NDHOP.

The building – All plans have been approved by North Devon District Council and conservation officer. We continue to pursue fundraising opportunities to make these renovations a reality.

We have had parents and toddlers/babies meet in the building at times over the past year and every week we have organised a children's music worship and prayer training session. This is free to the community and involves interacting with the whole family not just the children through learning together and creating new songs together as well. We have seen many of the children's confidence grow as well as their musical abilities. This session leads to a Christmas concert open to the community where the children are involved in creating the content and performing it.

Throughout the year we offer prayer support to those who need to process trauma or stress through worship and prayer. Some of these sessions have been led through the use of creative arts and other times through music or a prayer focus.

We have spent some time outside in the community doing open air worship particularly in the summer months. Engaging with the local public and offering a point of access to talk about faith and receive prayer.

We have invested in safeguarding training for a couple of team members. We often have vulnerable adults coming onto the property and we have been able to assist them with contacting the police to report crimes that have been disclosed to our team. We work closely with the police community safety officers in our locality when there are needs arising near our building that we can assist with. We have been able to offer a safe space to those in the public affected by anti-social behaviour on the streets and the professionals dealing with it.

**Financial review**

Income for the year increased by 12% to £ 25,732 (PY £22,940), and expenditure decreased by 45% to £27,194 (PY: £49,218) leaving a deficit for the year of £1,462 (PY: deficit £26,278)

Unrestricted cash reserves held at the year-end amounted to £764 (PY £2,226)

**Reserves policy**

The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets ('the free reserves') held by the Charity should be approximately three months of the resources expended. At this level the trustees feel that they would be able to continue the current activities of the Charity in the event of a significant drop in income.

As the reserves are currently below this level, trustees will focus on increasing the level of reserves in the next financial year.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024

**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Governing document**

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Financial reports are presented to the board at each meeting. Minutes of each meeting are taken and subsequently distributed.

**Reference and Administration Details**

**Registered name**

North Devon House of Prayer

**Registered Charity number**

1170454

**Principal address**

Church Lane  
Barnstaple  
Devon  
EX31 1BH

**Trustees Name**

Andrew Lynch  
James Ware  
Jonathan Moles  
Mary Ware

**Position**

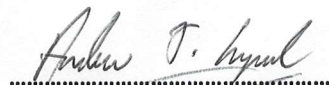
Chair

**Appointments/Resignation**

**Independent Examiner**

Michael King MAAT  
53 Fountain Fields  
High Bickington  
EX37 9AP

Approved by the board of trustees on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Andrew Lynch, Chair

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of  
North Devon House of Prayer**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of North Devon House of Prayer (The Trust) for the year ended 31st August 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust 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 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Michael King MAAT  
Member of the Association of Accounting Technicians  
53 Fountain Fields  
High Bickington  
Devon  
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Date: 18<sup>th</sup> June 2025



**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**for the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024**

			<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Receipts</b>				
Gifts and donations	23,533	50	23,583	13,089
Gift aid received	448		448	0
Sales of merchandise			0	123
Training & Missions' income	350		350	9,583
Interest receivable	91		91	145
Rental income	1,260		1,260	0
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>25,682</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>25,732</b>	<b>22,940</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Staff costs	5,244		5,244	5,253
Light and heat	3,733	0	3,733	3,174
Meetings	150	0	150	571
Establishment costs	4,731	0	4,731	5,650
Missions	2,251	0	2,251	5,878
Merchandise		0	0	794
Legal and professional	1,362	0	1,362	2,236
Telephone	294		294	1,383
Bank charges	69		69	60
Mission gifts & Hospitality	671		671	94
Teaching aids, art materials & stationery	262		262	953
Donations	775	50	825	1,135
Prayer assignment	1,085		1,085	227
Gatherings	869		869	403
Travel costs	918		918	2,398
Small capital equipment	160		160	1,385
Property expenditure	4,571		4,571	17,624
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>27,144</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>27,194</b>	<b>49,218</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>-1,462</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-1,462</b>	<b>-26,278</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Transfer between funds	0		0	0
Total Funds at 1st September 2024	2,226		2,226	28,504
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>2,226</b>

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**At 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
Tangible fixed assets	131,401		131,401	126,670
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Debtors			0	0
Cash at bank	764		764	2,226
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Creditors			0	
<b>Total Assets less Liabilities</b>	<b>132,165</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>132,165</b>	<b>128,896</b>
<b>Funds</b>				
Unrestricted income funds	132,165		132,165	128,869
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>132,165</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>132,165</b>	<b>128,869</b>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 24th June 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

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 Andrew Lynch, Chair

**1. Accounting Policies**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern**

These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis as permitted by law for smaller charities.

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

**2. Movement in Funds**

	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Balance</b>
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sep 2023</b>				<b>31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2024</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	2226	25,682	(27,144)		764
<b>Restricted funds</b>	0	50	(50)		0
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>2,226</b>	<b>25,682</b>	<b>(27,144)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>764</b>

**3. Trustee remuneration and benefits**

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.

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# Accounts

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**North Devon House of Prayer**  
**Registered Charity Number: 1170454**

**Trustees Annual Report and Accounts**  
**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

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## North Devon House of Prayer

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

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#### Objectives and Aims

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#### Public benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider that the activities of the charity meet its charitable objectives and provide a benefit to the public.

#### Achievement and Performance

##### Charitable activities

We have continued as a ministry under the same objects since our last reporting.

The prayer room is open around thirty hours a week and we continue offering support and a space where people can pray and explore their faith. We have arranged worship services locally and nationally as well as continuing to train people through our internship courses. We undertake in person meetings although do use Zoom a couple of times during the week to enable those either working away or those less able to access our services.

We are continuing to be an access hub enabling local groups to explore their spirituality and the drop in service is still going well. We have worked with local churches and for school groups we have assisted with part of their PSHE curriculum.

Street Pastors continue to operate from our building weekly and other ministries such as Try Praying and the local evangelists group use the House of Prayer as a base.

We have undertaken several UK based missions helping other Houses of Prayer and our Director has been out on the road undertaking a cycling mission across the UK, connecting churches and ministries We have sent teams to Amsterdam and in two weeks France to assist in the creating of further Houses of Prayer for the nations.

The Building - We have continued to work with local architects. Since our last reporting we established that we are getting best value from our architects, by undertaking a short tender process. We are now pursuing fundraising options to make these renovations a reality.

**North Devon House of Prayer**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

**Financial review**

**Structure, Governance and Management**

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**Registered Charity number**

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**Principal address**

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**Trustees**

**Name**

Andrew Lynch

James Ware

Jonathan Moles

Mary Ware

**Position**

Chair

**Appointments/Resignations**

**Independent Examiner**

Magnus Proctor FFA

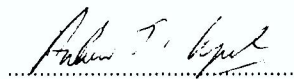
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Approved by the board of trustees on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Andrew Lynch, Chair

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF North Devon House of Prayer

### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of North Devon House of Prayer

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#### Responsibilities and basis of report

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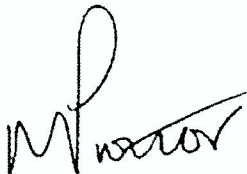
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I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Magnus Proctor FFA  
Fellow of the Institute of Financial Accountants  
Lindisfarne  
Landkey Road  
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Date: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024

North Devon House of Prayer

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
for the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>				
Gifts and donations	13,089	0	13,089	15,148
Gift aid received	0	0	0	10,382
Sales of merchandise	123		123	
Missions income	9,583	0	9,583	0
Interest receivable	145	0	145	0
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>22,940</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22,940</b>	<b>25,530</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Staff costs	5,253	0	5,253	1,304
Light and heat	3,174	0	3,174	3,448
Meetings	571	0	571	448
Establishment costs	5,650	0	5,650	15,051
Missions	5,878	0	5,878	582
Merchandise	794	0	794	0
Legal and professional	2,236	0	2,236	401
Telephone	1,383	0	1,383	871
Bank charges	60	0	60	90
Mission gifts	94	0	94	383
Teaching aids, art materials and stationery	953	0	953	507
Tithe donations	1,135	0	1,135	500
Prayer assignments	227	0	227	2,948
Gatherings	403	0	403	579
Travel costs	2,398	0	2,398	3,607
Small capital equipment	1,385	0	1,385	0
Property expenditure	17,624	0	17,624	0
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>49,218</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49,218</b>	<b>30,719</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>(26,288)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(26,288)</b>	<b>(5,189)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Transfer between funds	0	0	0	0
Total Funds brought forward	28,514	0	28,514	33,703
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>	<b>2,226</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,226</b>	<b>28,514</b>

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
At 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
Tangible fixed assets	126,670	0	126,670	107,651
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Debtors	0	0	0	0
Cash at bank	2,226	0	2,226	28,514
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Creditors	0	0	0	(0)
<b>Total Assets less Liabilities</b>	128,896	0	128,896	136,165
<b>Funds</b>				
Unrestricted income funds	128,896	0	128,896	136,165
<b>Total funds</b>	128,896	0	128,896	136,165

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

  
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Andrew Lynch, Chair

### 1. Accounting Policies

#### Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern

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

### 2. Movement in Funds

	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance
	1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2022				31 <sup>st</sup> Aug 2023
Unrestricted funds	28,514	22,940	(49,218)	0	2,226

Unrestricted funds are used to further the objects of the charity but are subject to no restrictions on their use within those objects.

### 3. Trustee remuneration and benefits

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.

**NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF PRAYER**

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# Accounts

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**NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF  
PRAYER**

**UNAUDITED**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT**

**AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 AUGUST 2022**

**CHARITY NUMBER  
1170454**

**North Devon House of Prayer**  
**Charity Number 1170454**

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**North Devon House of Prayer**  
**Charity Number 1170454**

**Legal and administrative information**

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**Status**

North Devon House of Prayer is a charitable incorporated organisation governed by a formal constitution adopted July 2021.

**Charity number** 1170454

**Business address** North Devon House of Prayer  
Church Lane  
Barnstaple  
Devon  
EX31 1BH

**Trustees** J Ware  
A Lynch  
P Hopkinson (Resigned 24 February 2022)  
S Bones (Resigned 22 February 2022)  
M Ware (Appointed 21 March 2022)  
J Moles

**Accountants** Westcotts (SW) LLP  
47 Boutport Street  
Barnstaple  
Devon  
EX31 1SQ

**Bankers** CAF Bank Ltd  
25 Kings Hill Avenue  
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**Solicitors** Brewer Harding & Rowe  
1 The Square  
Barnstaple  
Devon  
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**North Devon House of Prayer**  
**Charity Number 1170454**

**Report of the trustees**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2022**

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The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2022. The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

**Structure, governance and management**

*Organisational Structure*

The legal and administrative details are listed on page 1. The trustees who served during the year are listed on page 1. North Devon House of Prayer trustees are nominated by any existing trustee and then formally appointed by all trustees at the next meeting.

**Governance, Internal Control and Risk Management**

The trustees have reviewed the major risks of the charity and have taken action and established systems which will mitigate any known risks. All policies and procedures are updated regularly.

**Objectives and activities**

*Charitable Objects*

To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in North Devon and throughout the world in accordance with the evangelical alliance statement of faith.

*Charitable Activities*

- (1) Developing and making available a Christian prayer resource centre in North Devon, helping people to explore prayer and the spiritual dimension of life with multiple prayer rooms available for prayer and staffed by a team of volunteers;
- (2) organising activities and special worship services that explore Christian prayer in various dimensions;
- (3) being a resource hub of information about prayer and education about Christian spirituality for local congregations and individuals;
- (4) offering Christian outreach and services for community groups based around exploring spirituality;
- (5) providing a drop-in service for people seeking support or a chat;
- (6) running training courses about prayer and aspects of the Christian faith;
- (7) coordinating conferences for Christians in the wider area;
- (8) offering help in local schools through R.E. classes, assemblies and school visits to our premises;
- (9) running a confidential listening and healing prayer service in a local community building. Our facilities are open on most days and evenings;
- (10) undertaking missions in the UK and overseas;
- (11) to make grants to individuals and organisations in line with the above objective;
- (12) The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship in North Devon and Torridge by providing grants, items or services to individuals in need.

**North Devon House of Prayer**  
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**Report of the trustees**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2022**

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**Achievements and performance**

*Review of Activities and Achievements*

We have continued as a ministry under the same objects since our last reporting. The prayer room is still open around forty hours a week and we continue offering support and a space where people can pray and explore their faith. We have arranged worship services locally and nationally as well as continuing to train people through our internship courses. Due to the lockdown restrictions falling away we have largely reverted to in person meetings although do use zoom a couple of times during the week to enable those either working away or those less able to access our services.

We are continuing to be an access hub enabling local groups to explore their spirituality and the drop in service is still going well. We have run a number of prayer courses in our building and also in local churches and to for school groups as part of their PSHE curriculum. Street Pastors continue to operate from our building weekly and other ministries such as Try Praying and the local evangelists group use The House of Prayer as a base. We have undertaken several UK based missions helping other Houses of Prayer.

*The Building*

We have continued to work with local architects and the local conservation officer and after this reporting period have gained planning consent to move the building project forward. We are just meeting other architects to establish if we are getting best value for money regarding the next elements of the project.

**Financial review**

During the year ended 31 August 2022 the charity had net payments of £5,189 (2021: Net receipts of £33,002). At the year end they had unrestricted funds carried forward of £28,514 (2021 £33,703).

*Reserves*

The trustees determined in the year that a general reserves balance of 3 months of general expenditure is appropriate.

**Plans for future periods**

As we move towards 2024, we are looking towards training more people in person with schools and increased internships. We will also be visiting other Houses of Prayer across the British Isles, Europe, Africa and The United States.

We have started fundraising for the building project and are looking towards building relationships to enable the project to move forward.

**North Devon House of Prayer  
Charity Number 1170454**

**Report of the trustees  
for the year ended 31 August 2022**

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**Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

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

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year. 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 UK 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 operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which 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 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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.

On behalf of the board

*Andrew Lynch*

**A Lynch  
Trustee**

**Dated:** 27/06/2023

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees on the unaudited financial statements of North Devon House of Prayer.**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of North Devon House of Prayer.**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of North Devon House of Prayer for the year ended 31 August 2022.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of North Devon House of Prayer 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 North Devon House of Prayer 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 North Devon House of Prayer as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examinations to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Catherine Williams FCA DChA**

**Independent Examiner**

**Westcotts (SW) LLP**

**47 Boutport Street**

**Barnstaple**

**Devon**

**EX31 1SQ**

Date: 29 June 2023

**North Devon House of Prayer  
Charity Number 1170454**

**Receipts and Payments Account**

**For the year ended 31 August 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
<b>Receipts</b>				
Incoming resources from generating funds:				
Donations	2	25,530	25,530	53,458
Incoming resources from charitable activities	3	-	-	33
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>25,530</u>	<u>25,530</u>	<u>53,491</u>
<b>Payments</b>				
Purchases		-	-	69
Staff costs	4	1,304	1,304	1,249
Light and Heat		3,448	3,448	2,748
Meetings		448	448	270
Establishment costs		15,051	15,051	13,802
Missions		582	582	12
Legal and Professional		401	401	355
Telephone		871	871	1,122
Bank charges		90	90	48
Mission gifts		383	383	500
Teaching aids, art materials and stationery		507	507	165
Tithe donations		500	500	-
Prayer assignments		2,948	2,948	-
Gatherings		579	579	-
Travel costs		3,607	3,607	149
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>30,719</u>	<u>30,719</u>	<u>20,489</u>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>		(5,189)	(5,189)	33,002
Cash funds brought forward		<u>33,703</u>	<u>33,703</u>	701
<b>Cash funds carried forward</b>		<u>28,514</u>	<u>28,514</u>	<u>33,703</u>

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**North Devon House of Prayer  
Charity Number 1170454**

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

**As At 31 August 2022**

	Notes	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible fixed assets			107,651		97,346
<b>Cash funds</b>					
Bank and cash		28,514		33,703	
		<u>28,514</u>		<u>33,703</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>28,514</u>		<u>33,703</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			136,165		131,049
<b>Assets and liabilities</b>			<u>136,165</u>		<u>131,049</u>
<b>Funds</b>					
Unrestricted income funds			136,165		131,049
<b>Total funds</b>			<u>136,165</u>		<u>131,049</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on.....<sup>27/06/2023</sup> and signed on its behalf by

*Andrew Lynch*

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A Lynch  
Trustee

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The notes on pages 8 to 10 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**Notes to the financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2022**

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**1. Accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

**1.1. Basis of accounting**

The financial statements are prepared under the receipts and payments basis and in accordance with FRS102, the Charities SORP (FRS102) and the requirement of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

**1.2. Cashflow**

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement as it is classed as a small charity.

**1.3. Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specific purpose and which the charity may use for its purpose at its discretion.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

**1.4. Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity receives the income. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations are received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified.

The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 August 2022

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**1.5. Resources expended**

Expenditure is recognised on a payments basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

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.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management.

**2. Donations**

	<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>2022 Total £</b>	<b>2021 Total £</b>
Donations - building	30	30	517
Donations - offering box	374	374	-
Donations - stewardship (unrestricted)	7,051	7,051	2,050
Donations and legacies	7,693	7,693	50,891
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	10,382	10,382	-
	<u>25,530</u>	<u>25,530</u>	<u>53,458</u>

**3. Incoming resources from charitable activities**

	<b>2022 Total £</b>	<b>2021 Total £</b>
Sale of goods/services	-	33
	<u>-</u>	<u>33</u>

**4. Employees**

No salaries or wages have been paid to employees, including the trustees; during the year.

**North Devon House of Prayer  
Charity Number 1170454**

**Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 August 2022**

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<b>5. Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>At 1 September 2021 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Outgoing resources £</b>	<b>At 31 August 2022 £</b>
Unrestricted funds	<u>33,703</u>	<u>25,530</u>	<u>(30,719)</u>	<u>28,514</u>

**Purposes of unrestricted funds**

Unrestricted funds are used to further the objects of the charity, but are subject to no restrictions on their use within those objects.

**6. Related party transactions**

During the year, 2 Trustees were reimbursed travelling costs totalling £156.

**NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF PRAYER**

England & Wales - Charity number 1170454

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# Accounts

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# **NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF PRAYER**

## **Trustees Annual Report and Accounts**

**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021**



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
<b>From</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	September	2020	<b>To</b>	31 <sup>st</sup>	August	2021

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF PRAYER

**Other names charity is known by** NDHOP

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1170454

**Charity's principal address**

Church Lane	
Barnstaple	
Devon	
<b>Postcode</b>	<b>EX31 1BH</b>

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Paul Hopkinson			
2	Jack Saunders		Resigned 26/04/2021	
3	James Ware	Chief Executive		
4	Michael Rogers		Resigned 26/04/2021	
5	Stephen Bones			
6	Andrew Lynch	Chair	Appointed 21/09/2020	

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	Magnus Proctor	Lindisfarne, Landkey Rd, Barnstaple, Devon, EX32 9BW
<b>Bankers</b>	Barclays Bank CAF Bank Ltd	38 Boutport Street , Barnstaple, Devon EX311HH 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ
<b>Solicitors</b>	Brewer Harding & Rowe	1, The Square, Barnstaple, Devon EX32 8LS

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2016 and registered with the Charity Commission on 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2016; subsequently amended on 23 July 2021
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	A Foundation, therefore new trustees nominated by any existing trustee, then formally appointed by all trustees at the next meeting.

## Section C

## Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in North Devon and throughout the world in accordance with the evangelical alliance statement of faith

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

- (1) Developing and making available a Christian prayer resource centre in North Devon, helping people to explore prayer and the spiritual dimension of life with multiple prayer rooms available for prayer and staffed by a team of volunteers;
- (2) organising activities and special worship services that explore Christian prayer in various dimensions;
- (3) being a resource hub of information about prayer and education about Christian spirituality for local congregations and individuals;
- (4) offering Christian outreach and services for community groups based around exploring spirituality;
- (5) providing a drop-in service for people seeking support or a chat;
- (6) running training courses about prayer and aspects of the Christian faith;
- (7) coordinating conferences for Christians in the wider area;
- (8) offering help in local schools through R.E. classes, assemblies and school visits to our premises;
- (9) running a confidential listening and healing prayer service in a local community building. Our facilities are open on most days and evenings;
- (10) undertaking missions in the UK and overseas;
- (11) to make grants to individuals and organisations in line with the above objective;
- (12) The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship in North Devon and Torridge by providing grants, items or services to individuals in need.

Much of the above has continued this financial year, despite the lock down, by operating virtually where possible via Zoom or Facebook. Where activities have not been possible due to their lack of transferability to online, we have curtailed those activities in accordance with Government requirements. The House of Prayer finally opened to the general public on 11 October 2021.

The trustees have complied with the Charities Act 2011 in regard to the public benefit requirement.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year****REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES IN 2020-2021**

Last year we said 'this year was one like no other,' which has been followed by this year in a very similar vein.

While complying with all government restrictions on social distancing and lockdown, we have managed to serve many of our charitable objects through this year.

Our daily live stream of worship has reached a significant number of people, allowing us to continue to explore Christian prayer in various dimensions.

We have run online training courses that have helped people to explore prayer and the spiritual dimension of life, and have had attendees from outside North Devon as we have seen the benefits of offering an online solution.

During lockdown we were unable to visit other ministries in person, but intend to rebuild these relationships and activities.

As lockdown eased towards the end of the period, we were able to re-open to the public with appropriate COVID practices in place, and have enjoyed seeing people returning to the prayer room and recommencing training and small group discipleship.

We have continued to work with local architects to move the building renovation programme forward. We have had helpful pre-planning meetings with the local council's conservation officer, and expect to gain planning consent this year.

## Section D Achievements and performance

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Due to Covid-19 pandemic, the building has been closed to the general public since March 2020 to October 2021. However, unlike last year when unrestricted income fell by £9,595 or 32%, this year unrestricted income increased by £31,918 or 156%, solely due to one major gift of £40,000. Consequently our designated and general cash funds at 31 August 2021 were £33,703, which is approximately two years general expenditure, up from £701 or two weeks at the end of the previous financial year. However, £30,982 are designated funds, either for building development or for supporting other similar charities, and therefore only £2,721 is available for general funds, being three months general expenditure, similar to before the pandemic.

The trustees determined in the year that a general reserves balance of £7,500 would be appropriate, having considered the potential impacts of a reduction in normal giving which was seen in the last two years with the pandemic, and the potential one-off costs such as boiler replacement or building maintenance. As the general reserves balance is not at this level, it is intended to increase the reserves in the current year towards the £7,500.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

## Section F Other optional information

As we move towards 2022 and lockdown has lifted, we are looking towards training more people in person and visiting other Houses of Prayer across the British Isles. The re-opening of the prayer room to the public in line with government guidance allows us to relaunch monthly prayer meetings, restart our work as a resource centre for individuals and groups interested in exploring prayer and Christian spirituality, as well as offering confidential prayer support to individuals.

We are about to start fundraising for the building project and are expecting to obtain planning consent in the coming year.

## Section G Declaration

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

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	ANDREW LYNCH	JAMES WARE
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Andrew Lynch	James Ware
<b>Position</b>	Chair	Chief Executive
<b>Date</b>	16/02/2022	



# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees of **North Devon House of Prayer**

Charity no. 1170454

For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021

Set out on pages 1-2

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and
- to 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. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from 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 connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 07/2/2022

Name: Magnus Proctor FFA

Professional qualification Fellow of the Institute of Financial Accountants

Address: Lindisfarne, Landkey Road, Barnstaple, Devon, EX32 9BW



## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	1st September 2020	To	31st August 2021
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
<b>A1 Receipts</b>				
Donations	50,891	517	51,408	14,484
Stewardship	2,050		2,050	4,286
Offering box	-		-	2,842
Use of building	-		-	-
Internships & training income	-		-	1,175
Sale of merchandise	33		33	500
Bank interest received	-		-	2
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>52,974</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>53,491</b>	<b>23,289</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>				
	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>52,974</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>53,491</b>	<b>23,289</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>				
Ministry gifts	500		500	256
Internships & training costs:				
* accommodation and subsistence	12		12	2,664
* food & hospitality	-		-	652
* travel	-		-	4,554
Other travel costs	149		149	-
Safeguarding	129		129	125
Telephone	1,122		1,122	1,072
Computer costs	746		746	115
Internet costs	798		798	380
Insurance	1,472		1,472	1,436
Utilities	2,748		2,748	2,901
Office costs	481		481	709
Maintenance	477		477	1,004
Rent	20		20	20
Trade waste	36		36	121
Merchandise for sale	69		69	342
Advertising/promotional	-		-	324
Printing, postage and stationery	48		48	8
Leadership/trustees meetings	270		270	110
Legal costs	205		205	53
Accounting	150		150	150
Other professional services	132		132	-
Bank interest & charges	48		48	-
Salaries	1,249		1,249	1,424
Sundries	-		-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>10,861</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,861</b>	<b>18,420</b>

<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>				
Worship equipment	1,978		1,978	766
Building	6,675	517	7,192	1,550
Fixture & fittings	-		-	5,873
Office equipment	458		458	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>9,111</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>9,628</b>	<b>8,189</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>19,972</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>20,489</b>	<b>26,609</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>33,002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33,002</b>	<b>(3,320)</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	701	-	701	4,021
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>33,703</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>33,703</b>	<b>701</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	31-Aug-20
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Deposit account	927		927	215
	Tithe account	249		249	249
	Current accounts	32,527		32,527	237
<b>Total cash funds</b>		<b>33,703</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33,703</b>	<b>701</b>

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost	
			Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Worship equipment	General	4,845	2,867
	Office equipment	General	458	-
	Building	Restricted	88,642	81,450
	Fixtures & fittings	General	5,873	5,873
<b>Total retained assets</b>			<b>99,818</b>	<b>90,190</b>

<b>Capital asset fund</b>		99,818	90,190
<b>Restricted funds</b>		-	-
<b>Designated funds:</b>			
Building development fund	25,000		-
Giving fund	5,482		249
Hardship fund	500	30,982	-
<b>General funds</b>		2,721	452
<b>Total net assets / reserves</b>		<b>133,521</b>	<b>90,891</b>

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
J WARE	Jim Ware	16/02/2022
S R BONES	Stephen Bones	16/02/2022

**NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF PRAYER**

England & Wales - Charity number 1170454

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

<b>From</b>	Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
	1 <sup>st</sup>	September	2019		31 <sup>st</sup>	August	2020

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** NORTH DEVON HOUSE OF PRAYER

**Other names charity is known by** NDHOP

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1170454

**Charity's principal address** Church Lane

Barnstaple

Devon

**Postcode**

**EX31 1BH**

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1 Paul Hopkinson	Chair		
2 Jack Saunders			
3 James Ware	Chief Executive		
4 Michael Rogers			
5 Stephen Bones			
6 Andrew Lynch		Appointed 21/09/2020	

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	Magnus Proctor	Lindisfarne, Landkey Rd, Barnstaple, Devon, EX32 9BW
<b>Bankers</b>	Barclays Bank CAF Bank Ltd	38 Boutport Street , Barnstaple, Devon EX311HH 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ

<b>Solicitors</b>	Brewer Harding & Rowe	1, The Square, Barnstaple, Devon EX32 8LS
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## Section B                      Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	Constitution dated 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2016
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</small>	A Foundation, therefore new trustees nominated by any existing trustee, then formally appointed by all trustees at the next meeting.

## Section C                      Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in North Devon and throughout the world in accordance with the evangelical alliance statement of faith

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

- (1) Developing and making available a Christian prayer resource centre in North Devon, helping people to explore prayer and the spiritual dimension of life with multiple prayer rooms available for prayer and staffed by a team of volunteers;
- (2) organising activities and special worship services that explore Christian prayer in various dimensions;
- (3) being a resource hub of information about prayer and education about Christian spirituality for local congregations and individuals;
- (4) offering Christian outreach and services for community groups based around exploring spirituality;
- (5) providing a drop-in service for people seeking support or a chat;
- (6) running training courses about prayer and aspects of the Christian faith;
- (7) coordinating conferences for Christians in the wider area;
- (8) offering help in local schools through R.E. classes, assemblies and school visits to our premises;
- (9) running a confidential listening and healing prayer service in a local community building. Our facilities are open on most days and evenings;
- (10) undertaking overseas and UK missions; and
- (11) to make grants to individuals and organisations in line with the above objective.

Much of the above has continued for the second half of the financial year, despite the lock down, by operating virtually where possible via Zoom or Facebook. Where activities have not been possible due to their lack of transferability to online, we have curtailed those activities in accordance with Government requirements.

The trustees have complied with the Charities Act 2011 in regard to the public benefit requirement.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year****REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES IN 2019-2020**

September 2019 to August 2020 was a year like no other for the North Devon House of Prayer as with many of charities around the UK and beyond.

We started the year with our year 1 interns from the previous year continuing into a 2<sup>nd</sup> year of training. This followed the same pattern as previous years with weekly training sessions and the opportunity for those interns to grow in their skills they learnt in the previous year.

A number of our interns who had started in 2017 joined our staff team and enabled us to grow the amount of prayer and worship meetings we did.

We did a mission trip in the UK to Watford and Central London in February which was a success both for our team and the places we went to.

In March 2020 we had the privilege of doing a short term mission trip to the island of Ireland. We spent time both in and around Belfast and then travelled to the West of the Republic of Ireland to host a number of meetings there in different locations. One of the highlights for the team was being able to spend a day at Drumcree Parish Church where historically there had been so many issues during 'The Troubles', taking a number of church services that day.

The daily routine in the organisation of prayer and worship meetings continued up to the end of March 2020 when the global pandemic hit and we had to close our doors to the public.

During and initial lock down from end of March to June we moved as many activities on to social media and Zoom as was feasible. We did daily worship sets on Facebook live which reached 10s of thousands of people and enabled us to extend our reach beyond what we would have been able to pre Covid. These sets were done from peoples homes and when the lockdown rules were eased some sets were then done from the House of Prayer building while remaining closed to the public.

In April 2020 we ran an 8-week discipleship training course over zoom that around 50 people from all over the country connected with every Wednesday evening.

The pattern of worship sets and prayer meetings over zoom and social media continued through to the end of August 2020 and enabled us to continue doing what we do but in a safe and covid secure manner.

The research and planning process for the renovation of the building continued during this time.

## Section D Achievements and performance

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Due to Covid-19 pandemic, the building has been closed to the general public since March 2020, resulting in unrestricted income dropping by one third from £30,006 to £20,411, though general expenditure only fell by £1,332 to £17,245. Consequently our cash general funds at 31 August 2020 were £701, which is approximately two weeks general expenditure, down from £4,021 or two months at the end of the previous financial year.

With the appointment of a part-time employee during 2020, the trustees plan to determine during 2021 what is a reasonable range for general funds.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

## Section F Other optional information

As we move towards 2021 we are looking forward to lockdown being lifted and us being able to formally reopen to the public. We look forward to seeing people returning to the prayer room, recommencing training and internships as well as supporting our local community.

We are currently working with local architects to move the building renovation programme forward, and expect to gain planning consent in the next few months and then to commence renovations.

## Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	PAUL HOPKINSON	JAMES WARE
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Full name(s)	Paul Hopkinson	James Ware
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Position	Chair	Chief Executive
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Date	26 April 2021
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**Receipts and payments accounts**

For the period  
from

1st September  
2019

To

31st August  
2020

**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	2019
	£	£	£	£
<b>A1 Receipts</b>				
Donations	12,781	1,703	14,484	40,885
Stewardship	4,286	-	4,286	8,146
Offering box	2,842	-	2,842	5,603
Use of building	- 0	-	-	500
Internships & training income	- 0	1,175	1,175	8,161
Sale of merchandise	500	-	500	315
Bank interest received	2	-	2	-
Gift to full-time worker	- 0	-	-	1,050
<b>Sub total(Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>20,411</b>	<b>2,878</b>	<b>23,289</b>	<b>64,660</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>				
	- 0	- 0	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>- 0</b>	<b>- 0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 0</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>20,411</b>	<b>2,878</b>	<b>23,289</b>	<b>64,660</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>				
Ministry gifts	256	-	256	1,592
Internships & training costs:				
* accommodation and subsistence	1,489	1,175	2,664	3,955
* food & hospitality	652	-	652	2,843
* travel	4,554	-	4,554	8,510
Safeguarding	125	-	125	120
Telephone	1,072	-	1,072	303
Computer costs	115	-	115	14
Internet costs	380	-	380	566
Insurance	1,436	-	1,436	767
Utilities	2,901	-	2,901	2,649
Office costs	709	-	709	1,071
Maintenance	1,004	-	1,004	982
Rent	- 0	-	-	1,088
Trade waste	121	-	121	161
Merchandise for sale	342	-	342	-
Advertising/promotional	324	-	324	1,036
Printing, postage and stationery	8	-	8	182
Leadership/trustees meetings	110	-	110	301
Legal costs	31	-	31	2,021
Accounting	150	-	150	160
Salaries	1,424	-	1,424	-
Sundries	42	-	42	63
Payment to full-time worker	- 0	-	-	1,050
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>17,245</b>	<b>1,175</b>	<b>18,420</b>	<b>29,434</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>				
Worship equipment	766	- 0	766	1,422
Building	- 0	1,550	1,550	79,900
Fixture & fittings	5,720	153	5,873	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>6,486</b>	<b>1,703</b>	<b>8,189</b>	<b>81,322</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>23,731</b>	<b>2,878</b>	<b>26,609</b>	<b>110,756</b>

<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>(3,320)</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>(3,320)</b>	<b>(46,096)</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	- 0	-		-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,021	-		4,021	50,117
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>701</b>	<b>4,021</b>

**Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period**

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	31-Aug-19
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Deposit account	215	-	215	2,895
	Tithe account	249	-	249	286
	Current account	237	-	237	840
<b>Total cash funds</b>		<b>701</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>4,021</b>
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK	
	<b>Details</b>		<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Worship equipment		General	2,867	2,101
	Building		Restricted	81,450	79,900
	Fixtures & fittings		General	5,873	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature		Print Name		Date of approval
	J WARE		Jim Ware		Monday, April 26, 2021
	S R BONES		Stephen Bones		Monday, April 26, 2021