

CONNECT - NETWORKING WOLVERHAMPTON'S CHURCHES

England & Wales · Charity number 1171158

Details

Other names WOLVERHAMPTON NET LEADERS

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-01-17

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

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN WOLVERHAMPTON AND SURROUNDING AREA BY:A. PROMOTING CHRISTIAN FAITH AND VALUES ENCOMPASSING ALL DENOMINATIONS AND TRADITIONS.B. PROMOTING COLLABORATION BETWEEN CHURCHES.C. SUPPORTING COMMUNITY PROJECTS AMONG CHURCHES AND IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER COMMUNITY AGENCIES.D. SUPPORTING CHURCH LEADERS.NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CIO FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH [SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005] AND [SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008]

Activities: The advancement of the Christian faith in Wolverhampton and surrounding area by:a. Promoting Christian faith and values encompassing all denominations and traditions.b. Promoting collaboration between churches.c. Supporting community projects among churches and in collaboration with other community agencies.d. Supporting Church leaders.

Classification

- **How:** Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Wolverhampton

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£1,832	£672	-	-
2023-12-31	£5,602	£569	-	-
2022-12-31	£3,882	£692	-	-
2021-12-31	£3,755	£810	-	-
2020-12-31	£9,171	£5,480	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Leon Etten	Chair	2019-02-06
Pastor Simon Woodward		2024-09-01
Rev Ian Richard Morely Poole		2021-09-01
STEVEN SINGH UPPAL		2017-01-17

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Accounts

CONNECT NETWORKING WOLVERHAMPTON
(a Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Un-audited Financial Statement

Company No. CE009653 (England and Wales)
Registered Charity No: 1171158

Accounts for the year ended
31st December 2023

Connect Networking Wolverhampton

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Over the last year Connect has continued to deliver activities in 3 main areas:

- Monthly Church Minister meetings** have occurred throughout the year and have provided great support and significant encouragement to all those who have attended, which has led not only to the enhancement of individual ministries, but also served to fuel a developing sense of the wider church across the City.
Number of Ministers in attendance has been maintained throughout with probably a slight increase.
- City Wide Prayer** is a monthly event whose venue was switched from a regular venue to moving around different host churches, which has worked well and increased numbers attending significantly, especially by the host church. There is a sense of momentum and increased faith and expectation in these meetings.
- Easter Saturday gathering.** This was the first year that this took place in Queen's Square, which as a venue worked very well and at a fraction of the cost of previous City centre gatherings. Numbers were on the low side, but the event was well organised and we are confident that this will grow significantly in the coming years.

This year has proved to be one of consolidation as the foundations of the organisation have been simplified and strengthened enabling us to move forwards with faith and confidence.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

CONNECT made a small financial gain during the last financial year, operating continued reduced activities and keeping expenditure to a minimum whilst still offering the main services listed above. This enabled the organisation to continue to repay the long-term loan made by a generous individual to cover the costs of the Ablaze 18 event. The organisation's priority at this time is to settle the outstanding amount owed at the earliest possible opportunity which is likely to be in the first couple of months of 2025.

The majority of the charity's general fund is made up of donations from churches and individuals who benefit from the activities of the organisation.

The organisation currently has a policy not to have any reserves, as there are no ongoing regular financial commitments of the organisation. Fundraising is undertaken on an event-by-event basis to cover the costs of each event the organisation organizes as and when it is required.

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THE TRUSTEE'S OF THE ORGANISATION

Pastor Leon Etten, [Chairperson]
Pastor Emmanuel Kapofu,
Pastor Steve Uppal,
Reverend Richard Merrick
Reverend Ian Poole
Reverend Simon Woodward

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

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The trustees are all Christian leaders from the city of Wolverhampton and members of congregations that engage actively with the organisation. They all have experience of leadership and governance within various organisations and a number have served on other boards in similar capacities or work operationally in partnership with boards within their own organisation.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Signed by Trustee – Pastor Leon Etten

On:

Leon Etten

REGISTERED OFFICE

CONNECT NETWORKING WOLVERHAMPTON
ALL NATIONS CHRISTIAN CENTRE
TEMPLE STREET
WOLVERHAMPTON
WV2 4AQ

Connect Networking Wolverhampton

**Income and Expenditure
31st December 2024**

Income	Unrestricted	2024 Restricted	Total	2023
INCOME & ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations & Legacies	1,755		1,755	4,760
Other Income Resources				
Gift aid	77		77	842
Total Income	<hr/> 1,832		1832	<hr/> 5,602
Expenditure				
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable Activities	672		672	569
Other Activities				
Total Expenditure	<hr/> 672		672	<hr/> 569
Taxation Penalty				
Net Incoming/ (outgoing) resources	<hr/> 1,160		1,160	<hr/> 5,033
Transfers				
Reserves brought forward	-1,712		-1,712	-6,745
Reserves carried forward	<hr/> -552		-552	<hr/> -1,712

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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT
31st December 2024**

	Unrestricted funds	2024 Restricted Funds	Total this year	2023
CURRENT ASSETS				
Bank and Cash	1,410		1,410	1,446
Total	<hr/> 1,410		<hr/> 1,410	<hr/> 1,446
Short-term Creditors	0		0	0
Short-term Debtors	38		38	842
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<hr/> 1448		<hr/> 1,448	<hr/> 2,288
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term Creditors	2,000		2,000	4,000
Total	<hr/> 2,000		<hr/> 2,000	<hr/> 4,000
Total Net Assets			<hr/> <u>-552</u>	<hr/> <u>-1,712</u>
Reserves Brought Forward			-1,712	-6,745
Surplus/(Deficit) for period			1,160	5,033
Capital Reserves			<hr/> <u>-552</u>	<hr/> <u>-1712</u>

For the year ending 31/12/2024, the charitable incorporated organisation is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for

- (a) Ensuring that the charitable incorporated organisation complies with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.
- (b) Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable incorporated organisation as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Treasurer

Name: Matthieu Lambert (Treasurer) Signature:



Date: 15.01.2025

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st December 2024

GENERAL INFORMATION

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2. Presentation Currency
These financial statements are presented in United Kingdom Pounds because that is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Charity operates in.
3. Comparative Information
The Charitable Incorporated Organization (CIO) had its first operating period ending 31 December 2017 after incorporation. The current financial statements show a comparison of the 2019 financial period compared with the prior reporting period.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

4. FRS 102
These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of FRS 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland, and the guidance of the relevant Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).
5. Historical Cost Convention
The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis.
This is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for the assets.
6. Going Concern
The Charity is expected to continue to receive positive cash flows from institutional and individual donors to fulfill its charitable mandate. The Trustees have no reason to believe that a material uncertainty exists that may cast Significant doubt about the ability of Charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.
7. Accruals Concept
All income and expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where revenue or costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.
8. Non-Current Assets and Depreciation.
The Charity does not hold any non-current assets, and this is reflected in the Financial Statements

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England & Wales - Charity number 1171158

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(a Charitable Incorporated Organisation)**

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31st December 2023

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Connect has had a year of consolidation, seeking to deepen the bonds of unity between existing churches affiliated to the charity and to widen the invitation to others.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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THE TRUSTEE'S OF THE ORGANISATION

Reverend Steve Uppal,
Reverend Leon Etten, chairperson
Reverend Emmanuel Kapofu,
Reverend Richard Merrick
Reverend Ian Poole
Matthieu Lambert (resigned during the course of the year)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Signed by The Chair of the Trustees – Pastor Leon Etten at the meeting of the Board of Trustees on: 9th January 2024.

REGISTERED OFFICE

CONNECT NETWORKING WOLVERHAMPTON

ALL NATIONS CHRISTIAN CENTRE

TEMPLE STREET

WOLVERHAMPTON

WV2 4AQ

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**Income and Expenditure
31st December 2023**

Income	Unrestricted	2023 Restricted	Total	2022
INCOME & ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations & Legacies	4,760		4,760	3,882
Other Income Resources				
Gift aid	842		842	
Total Income	5,602		5,602	3,882
Expenditure				
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable Activities	569		569	692
Other Activities				
Total Expenditure	569		569	692
Taxation Penalty				
Net Incoming/ (outgoing) resources	5033		5,033	3,190
Transfers				
Reserves brought forward	-6,745		-6,745	-9,935
Reserves carried forward	-1,712		-1,712	-6,745

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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT
31st December 2023**

	Unrestricted funds	2023 Restricted Funds	Total this year	2021
CURRENT ASSETS				
Bank and Cash	1,446		1,446	3,155
Total	<u>1,446</u>		<u>1,446</u>	<u>3,155</u>
Short-term Creditors	0		0	0
Short-term Debtors	842		842	100
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>2,288</u>		<u>2,288</u>	<u>3,255</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term Creditors	4,000		4,000	10,000
Total	<u>4,000</u>		<u>4,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Total Net Assets			<u><u>-1,712</u></u>	<u><u>-6,745</u></u>
Reserves Brought Forward			-6,745	-9,935
Surplus/(Deficit) for period			5033	3,190
Capital Reserves			<u><u>-1,712</u></u>	<u><u>-6,745</u></u>

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Treasurer

Name: Matthieu Lambert (Treasurer) Signature:



Date: 03.01.2024

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31st December 2022**

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Some of the activities of the organisation were again limited as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic:

- The usual Easter event on Queen's Square could not go ahead though it is now planned for 2023; however
- The Carol Service with J John in December 2022 was able to proceed and was met with relative success. The majority of those present were already Christians however a number of people made a first-time commitment to faith and a number of people recommitted to their Christian faith.

Throughout the course of the year, again subject to social distancing requirements and lockdowns, CONNECT continued to offer opportunity for Church leaders to gather and support one another through the monthly ministers' meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

A monthly prayer meeting was reinstated in the Autumn at the YMCA to bring together church and lay leaders to pray for the city. The aim is to gather Pastors and lay members of Wolverhampton churches together in one place and with unity of heart to see the manifestation of the convicting power of the Holy Spirit in our day.

Connect also brought churches together for a Harvest Festival celebration which took place at Tabernacle Baptist Church in September, as well as arranging a minister's away day which whilst relatively low numbers attended, enabled us to do life together and enjoy good worship and share fellowship over the Word Pastor Emmanuel brought to us.

Following the decision made in the previous year to seek to engage more with the third sector and collaborate with the local authority, Mr Lambert was part of a small team that partnered with the national ROC Charity to organize a ROC Conversation in Wolverhampton. The ROC Conversation itself was commissioned and paid for by Police Chief Inspector Daryl Lyons and West Midlands Police, within the context of rolling out the CIRV program in Wolverhampton in 2023 (Community Initiative to Reduce Violence). The conversation brought together 250 individuals from across the city including Police, Council, Statutory Agencies, Voluntary and Community Sectors, as well as church leaders, youth leaders, community activists and Christians from across the city. Discussions were led by ROC around the top issues that the city is facing as well as solutions that were proposed from the various tables. All of this was documented and a report produced which has been widely circulated around the city. It is hoped and anticipated that more will be done to Connect churches to the ROC initiatives in Wolverhampton in the coming year.

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Signed by Director/Trustee - Rev Emmanuel Kapofu

On: 10th January 2023

Date

REGISTERED OFFICE

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ALL NATIONS CHRISTIAN CENTRE
TEMPLE STREET
WOLVERHAMPTON
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**Income and Expenditure
31st December 2022**

Income	Unrestricted	2022 Restricted	Total	2021
INCOME & ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations & Legacies	3,882		3,882	3,755
Other Income Resources				
Interest				
Total Income	<hr/> 3,882		<hr/> 3,882	<hr/> 3,755
Expenditure				
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable Activities	692		692	810
Other Activities				
Total Expenditure	<hr/> 692		<hr/> 692	<hr/> 810
Taxation Penalty				
Net Incoming/ (outgoing) resources	<hr/> 3,190		<hr/> 3,190	<hr/> 2,945
Transfers				
Reserves brought forward	-9,935		-9,935	-12880
Reserves carried forward	<hr/> <hr/> -6,745		<hr/> <hr/> -6,745	<hr/> <hr/> -9,935

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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT
31st December 2022**

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CURRENT ASSETS				
Bank and Cash	3,155		3,155	3,275
Total	<u>3,155</u>		<u>3,155</u>	<u>3,275</u>
Short-term Creditors	0		0	-210
Short-term Debtors	100		100	0
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>3,255</u>		<u>3,255</u>	<u>3,065</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term Creditors	10,000		10,000	13,000
Total	<u>10,000</u>		<u>10,000</u>	<u>13,000</u>
Total Net Assets			<u><u>-6,745</u></u>	<u><u>-9,935</u></u>
Reserves Brought Forward			-9,935	-12,880
Surplus/(Deficit) for period			3,190	2,945
Capital Reserves			<u><u>-6,745</u></u>	<u><u>-9,935</u></u>

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Director/Trustee

Name: Matthieu Lambert (Treasurer) Signature:



Date: 10.01.2023

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The Charity is expected to continue to receive positive cash flows from institutional and individual donors to fulfill its charitable mandate. The Trustees have no reason to believe that a material uncertainty exists that may cast Significant doubt about the ability of Charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.
7. Accruals Concept
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8. Non-Current Assets and Depreciation.
The Charity does not hold any non-current assets, and this is reflected in the Financial Statements

CONNECT - NETWORKING WOLVERHAMPTON'S CHURCHES

England & Wales - Charity number 1171158

Accounts

**CONNECT NETWORKING WOLVERHAMPTON
(a Charitable Incorporated Organisation)**

Un-audited Financial Statement

**Company No. CE009653 (England and Wales)
Registered Charity No: 1171158**

Accounts for the year ended

31st December 2021

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DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st December 2021

The directors have pleasure in submitting their Report for the period ended 31st December 2021

GENERAL INFORMATION

CONNECT is a Charitable Organisation (CIO) Registered in England and Wales with the Charity Commission under registration Number 1171158. Its registered office is All Nations Christian Centre, Temple Street, Wolverhampton, WV2 4AQ.

OBJECTIVES

The Charitable objects are the advancement of the Christian Faith in Wolverhampton and surrounding areas by:

- Promoting Christian faith and values encompassing all denominations and traditions.
- Promoting collaboration between churches
- Supporting community projects among churches and in collaboration with other community agencies
- Supporting Church leaders

A decision was made during the course of the year, to seek to develop certain aspects of the work of the organisation particularly in respect of engaging more with the third sector and seeking to enhance CONNECT's collaboration with the local authority. To this end it was agreed that Matt Lambert would be approached with a view to joining CONNECT's steering committee as a trustee. Mr Lambert has significant experience across Wolverhampton of working in third sector partnerships and collaborating with the local authority.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The activities of the organisation were significantly reduced as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic:

- The planned follow-on event to Ablaze 18 which had been anticipated would take place in the Spring of 2021 had to be cancelled.
- The usual Easter event on Queen's Square could not go ahead; and
- A decision had to be made to cancel the Carol Service with J John in December with the introduction of the Omicron Variant shortly prior to the event. It is anticipated that a similar event will be arranged for the following year.

Throughout the course of the year, when it was reasonable to do so, bearing in mind the social distancing requirements and lockdowns, CONNECT continued to offer opportunity for Church leaders to gather and support one another through the monthly ministers' meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month

FINANCIAL REVIEW

CONNECT made a small financial gain during the last financial year, partly owing to the reduction in the activities of the organisation as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic. This enabled the organisation to continue to repay the long-term loan made by a generous individual to cover the costs of the Ablaze 18 event.

The majority of the charity's general fund is made up of donations from churches and individuals who benefit from the activities of the organisation.

The organisation currently has a policy not to have any reserves, as there are no ongoing regular financial commitments of the organisation. Fundraising is undertaken on an event-by-event basis to cover the costs of each event the organisation organizes as and when it is required.

Priority is given at this present time to seeking to repay the outstanding long-term credit.

THE TRUSTEE'S OF THE ORGANISATION

Reverend Steve Uppal, Chairperson

Reverend Leon Etten

Reverend Emmanuel Kapofu

Reverend Richard Merrick

Reverend Susan Graham (stepped down as a trustee on 1st September 2021)

Reverend Ian Poole (appointed 1st September 2021)

Mr Matthieu Lambert (appointed 1st September 2021)

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The trustees are grateful to those who served as trustees and have stepped down, for their commitment and the great contributions they have made.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The charity is governed by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a charitable incorporated organisation under the provisions of The Charitable Incorporated Organisations, (General) Regulations 2012. It is overseen by a steering committee made up of the trustees of the organisation.

In relation to the policies and procedures adopted by CONNECT for the induction and training of trustees, current and any new trustees are referred to guidance from the Charity Commission on their website under the heading of "Trustee Role and Board". CONNECT provides new trustees with guidance from the charity commission, information about the organisation itself including its policies and procedures and financial status and health.

New trustees are provided with up-to-date charity commission guidance relating to the role and responsibilities of trustees. They are provided with copies of the policies and procedures of the organisation and encouraged to read through them and ask any questions that they may have. The Chair of trustees meets with them to discuss the above documents, answer any questions and ensure that they have understood the requirements of the role that they are being asked to undertake.

The trustees are all Christian leaders from the city of Wolverhampton and members of congregations that engage actively with the organisation. They all have experience of leadership and governance within various organisations and a number have served on other boards in similar capacities or work operationally in partnership with boards within their own organisation.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Signed:

Director/Trustee - Rev Emmanuel Kapofu

On:

Date

REGISTERED OFFICE

CONNECT NETWORKING WOLVERHAMPTON

ALL NATIONS CHRISTIAN CENTRE

TEMPLE STREET

WOLVERHAMPTON

WV2 4AQ

**Income and
Expenditure 31st
December 2021**

Income	Unrestricted	2021 Restricted	Total	2020
INCOME & ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations & Legacies	3,755		3,755	9,171
Other Income Resources				
Interest				
Total Income	<u>3,755</u>		<u>3,755</u>	<u>9,171</u>
Expenditure				
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable Activities	810		810	5,480
Other Activities				
Total Expenditure	<u>810</u>		<u>810</u>	<u>5,480</u>
Taxation Penalty				
Net Incoming/ (outgoing) resources	<u>2,945</u>		<u>2,945</u>	<u>3,691</u>
Transfers				
Reserves brought forward	-12,880		-12,880	-16,571
Reserves carried forward	<u><u>-9,935</u></u>		<u><u>-9,935</u></u>	<u><u>-12,880</u></u>

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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT
31st December 2021**

	Unrestricted funds	2021 Restricted Funds	Total this year	2020
CURRENT ASSETS				
Bank and Cash	3,275		3,275	5,120
Total	<u>3,275</u>		<u>3,275</u>	<u>5,120</u>
Short-term Creditors	-210		-210	0
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>3,065</u>		<u>3,065</u>	<u>5,120</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term Creditors	13,000		13,000	18,000
Total	<u>13,000</u>		<u>13,000</u>	<u>18,000</u>
Total Net Assets			<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
			<u>9,935</u>	<u>12,880</u>
Reserves Brought Forward			-12,880	-16,571
Surplus/(Deficit) for period			2,945	3,691
Capital Reserves			<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
			<u>9,935</u>	<u>12,880</u>

For the year ending 31/12/2021, the charitable incorporated organisation is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for

- (a) Ensuring that the charitable incorporated organisation complies with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.
- (b) Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable incorporated organisation as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Director/Trustee

Name: Matthieu Lambert (Treasurer)

Signature:

Date:

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st December 2020

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. CONNECT is a Charitable Incorporated Organization (CIO) registered in England and Wales under registration 1171158. It is the opinion of the Trustees that these financial statements reflect a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and financial performance of the entity as at reporting date.
2. Presentation Currency
These financial statements are presented in United Kingdom Pounds because that is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Charity operates in.
3. Comparative Information
The Charitable Incorporated Organization (CIO) had its first operating period ending 31 December 2017 after incorporation. The current financial statements show a comparison of the 2019 financial period compared with the prior reporting period.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

4. FRS 102
These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of FRS 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland, and the guidance of the relevant Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).
5. Historical Cost Convention
The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis.
This is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for the assets.
6. Going Concern
The Charity is expected to continue to receive positive cash flows from institutional and individual donors to fulfill its charitable mandate. The Trustees have no reason to believe that a material uncertainty exists that may cast Significant doubt about the ability of Charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.
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8. Non-Current Assets and Depreciation.

The Charity does not hold any non-current assets, and this is reflected in the Financial Statements

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Accounts for the year ended

31st December 2020

Connect Networking Wolverhampton

**DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED
31st December 2020**

The directors have pleasure in submitting their Report for the period ended 31st December 2020

GENERAL INFORMATION

CONNECT is a Charitable Organisation (CIO) Registered in England and Wales with the Charity Commission under registration Number 1171158. It's registered office is Tabernacle Baptist Church, Dunstall Road, Wolverhampton. WV6 0NJ

OBJECTIVES

The Charitable objects are:

The advancement of the Christian Faith in Wolverhampton and surrounding areas by:

Promoting Christian faith and values encompassing all denominations and traditions.

Promoting collaboration between churches

Supporting community projects among churches and in collaboration with other community agencies

Supporting Church leaders

THE TRUSTEE'S ARE CURRENTLY

Reverend Steve Uppal, Chairperson

Reverend Leon Etten

Reverend Susan Graham

Reverend Emmanuel Kapofu

Reverend Richard Merrick

SECRETARY

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The directors during the year under review were:

None

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The charity is governed by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, Limited by Guarantee as defined by the Companies Act 2006

RISK MANAGEMENT

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

MEMBERS GUARANTEE

The company is incorporated as a company limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital.

The liability of each member is fixed at an amount not to exceed £1.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Signed:
On:

Director:
Date

Name:

REGISTERED OFFICE

CONNECT NETWORKING WOLVERHAMPTON

TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH

DUNSTALL ROAD

WOLVERHAMPTON.

WEST MIDLANDS

WV6 0NJ

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**Income and Expenditure
31st December 2020**

Income	Unrestricted	2020 Restricted	Total	2019
INCOME & ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations & Legacies	9,171		9,171	16,233
Other Income Resources				2,140
Interest				
Total Income	9,171		9,171	18,373
Expenditure				
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable Activities	5,480		5,480	10,611
Other Activities				1,057
Total Expenditure	5,480		5,480	11,667
Taxation Penalty				
Net Incoming/ (outgoing) resources	3,691		3,691	6,706
Transfers				
Reserves brought forward	-16,571		-16,571	-23,276
Reserves carried forward	-12,880		-12,880	-16,571

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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT
31st December 2020**

	Unrestricted funds	2020 Restricted Funds	Total this year	2019
CURRENT ASSETS				
Bank and Cash	5,120		5,120	5,429
Total	<hr/> 5,120		<hr/> 5,120	<hr/> 5,429
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Creditors	18,000		18,000	22,000
Total	<hr/> 18,000		<hr/> 18,000	<hr/> 22,000
Total Net Assets			<hr/> <u>-12,880</u>	<hr/> <u>-16,571</u>
Reserves Brought Forward			-16,571	-23,276
Surplus/(Deficit) for period			3,691	6,706
Accumulated Reserves			<hr/> <u>-12,880</u>	<hr/> <u>-16,571</u>

For the year ending 31/12/2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The director's acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Director:

Name: Reverend Steve Uppal

Signature:

Date;

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31st December 2020**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- a: Basis of accounting - the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and are in accordance with Statements of Standard Accounting Practice.**

- b: Turnover consists of grants received, activity based sales and donations. No value-added tax is involved.**

Connect Networking Wolverhampton

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

Accountants' Report to the directors on the unaudited financial statements

For the year ended 31st December 2020

As described on the balance sheet you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements for the period ended 31st December 2020 , and you consider that the company is exempt from audit

In accordance with your instructions, these unaudited financial statements have been compiled from the accounting records, information and explanations supplied, to assist you to fulfill your statutory responsibilities.

and

(a) the accounts of the company for the financial year in question are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the company under section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;

(b) having regard only to, and on the basis of, the information in those accounting records, those accounts have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Act.

NOTES to the financial statements for Year Ending 2020

None