

**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS OF
DODDINGHURST ROAD CHURCH
1st April 2022- 31st March 2023**

56-60 Doddinghurst Road, Brentwood Essex., CM15 9EH

Registered Charity No. 1171227

Registered on 20th January 2017 as CIO (Charity Incorporated Organisation) Association.

Trustees: Peter Graham, Jem Trehern, John Beavis, Malcolm Bigg, Ken Betts, Paul Day

Aims and Objectives:

1. The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with our Basis of Faith, primarily but not exclusively within Brentwood and the surrounding neighbourhood.
2. Such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the members of the church in General Meetings and the Trustees, put into practice the teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ in accordance with our Basis of Faith.
3. Provided that the advancement of such purposes must be undertaken in a manner that is consistent with the doctrinal distinctives and ethical statements as may be adopted and amended by the church from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the church rules.

The Doddinghurst Road Trust operates under the guidance of its Constitution and Church Handbook issued in 2017 and as amended from time to time.

Church Activities in 2022-23

1. The church continues to hear from God's word and praise the name of Jesus every Sunday Service incorporating a growing Sunday School and Creche ministries. This includes, times of personal and church wide prayer and fellowship, open to all.
2. The church has begun to include 'Messy Church' an interactive activity based all age style of Church service. This has been successful and seeking to grow the team.
3. Totts Aloud continues to grow, and has required a booking system to keep numbers manageable. It is a safe haven for many parents.
4. A 'Wednesday Menu' meeting every Wednesday various from week to week that includes a film that is discussed, a Bible Study concentrated on the teaching and parables of Jesus, a time of intercessional prayer and a worship evening. On months with five Wednesday a fellowship meal is also included. These came out of the online prayer meetings at the end of 2022.

5. We continue to run Brentwood Foodbank as a church project, this need has escalated and 2023 is predicted to have the doubled the total number of parcel from 2022. A partnership with Brentwood Baptist church has seen an additional day open for clients – Brentwood Baptist serve approximately 10% of parcels.
6. In the last quarter of 2022 Foodbank distribution combined to become a registered community hub. That is a safe place for people to stay warm and seek community.
7. A weekly youth drop in, open to all continues to welcome and care for
8. The appointment of Aaron has seen a flourishing outreach to Youth develop combining detached, in school and drop in. This has been very successful and well regarded by local schools and partnerships.
9. MenShed continues to be a supportive of many retired gentlemen and has attracted many new faces.
10. The Church funds remains financially precarious through difficult times, we are less reliant on hall hirers than previous years and have utilized more grants. Our old energy contracts have ended, the new contract is approximately four times higher.
11. Foodbank's designated funds are secure with many donors and fundraiser supporting this project.
12. The Church Council continues to meet online monthly. Whilst the Trustees meet on a regular basis in person.

All the above are in line with our aims and objectives.

Met goals.

Goals set in the previous report of 21-22 are as follows.

1. We recognise the need for outreach in our youth work and to develop and encourage children's outreach. Funds will be made available for this and for the fulltime worker in this field. Aaron Watts, who fulfils this function, will be appointed as a Deacon.

This outreach has been well implemented and supported by volunteers from outside the church community. Many schools and council agencies speak favourably of the community needs met through this work.

2. There are ongoing discussions with regard to Foodbank and our increased involvement.

More formalised roles and structures have been brought into foodbank with a designated steering group formed to handle the day to day running of this church project. The team has kept up with the drastic increase in need.

3. Following changes in the Trustee positions and the Diaconate the current positions held are as follows:

Trustees changes as at 19.10.2022

Chair / Pastor Peter Graham

Treasurer Paul Day

Secretary Ken Betts

Safeguarding John Beavis

Without portfolio Malcolm Bigg

Without portfolio JemTrehern

Deacons changes as at 19.10.2022

Chair / Pastor Peter Graham

Finance manager Paul Day

Secretary / Buildings Ken Betts

Youth Pastor Aaron Watts

Evangelism Daniela Hyde

Without Portfolio Julie Bowler

Goals for 2023-24

1. To increase the outreach within the church community itself finding new ways to care for one another and the vulnerable in our own Church community.
2. To continue growing the youth outreach team, strengthening and solidifying this ongoing work.
3. To better equip, develop and delegate roles within the various ministries of Doddinghurst Road Community Church.

Peter Graham
Chair of Trustees.

Date 09th October 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Doddington Road Church

1171227

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	1st April 2022	To	31st March 2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Offerings/Donations	11,573	47,165	-	58,738	11,272
Gift Aid Donations	30,295	36,018	-	66,313	35,030
Church Users	9,298	-	-	9,298	8,136
Gift Aid Reclaim 2021-22	9,230	-	-	9,230	11,965
Other Church Income	8,566	-	-	8,566	36,052
Bank Interest	135	719	-	854	38
Other Foodbank income	-	30,932	-	30,932	100,010
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	69,097	114,834	-	183,931	202,503
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
N/A	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	69,097	114,834	-	183,931	202,503
A3 Payments					
Purchases	4,922	24,931	-	29,853	5,100
Direct Expenses	14,441	910	-	15,351	9,044
Overheads	13,122	11,172	-	24,294	10,521
Staffing	55,060	-	-	55,060	39,996
Additional activities	8,178	166	-	8,344	810
Mission General	-	5,053	-	5,053	8,358
Mission India & Kenya	-	4,054	-	4,054	1,880
Mission ACTS	-	713	-	713	1,121
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	95,724	46,999	-	142,723	76,830
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	95,724	46,999	-	142,723	76,830
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 26,627	67,835	-	41,208	125,673
A5 Transfers between funds	1,538	- 1,538	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	47,476	102,624	-	150,100	24,427
Cash funds this year end	22,386	168,922	-	191,308	150,100

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	No 1 Acc. & Reserve A/C + C.I.H	22,386	-	-
	Missionary A/C	-	2,648	-
	Foodbank Acc & Foodbank Reserve Acc. + C.I.H.	-	166,273	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,386	168,922	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

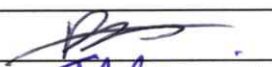

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Peter Graham	24/08/2023
	John Beavis	24/08/2023

Final Remarks

As stated, the above records are a guide to the actual income/expenditure of the church.

A full set of all the financial reports was made available to our auditor and a full 'Information Pack' is soon to be available to members by request.

The leadership team have continued to work under the budget headings, and this helps us to have a greater insight as to areas of over/under spend in advance of the situation and plan ahead.

As a Registered Charity we can expect an Inspection by their staff as and when. From previous experience this could be a surprise visit during the early years of operation.

Key issues during the year were:

1. Collections and Gifts (Offerings) were comparable to previous year but the donations that were gift aided were lower.
2. Overall expenditure remained broadly similar to previous year although a freeze on non-essential expenditure remained in place.
3. Salary expenses for the Associate Pastor were mainly paid for by drawing down from the Maintenance Account grants received in the previous financial year.
4. A budget has been set for forthcoming year based on a similar income as 2022/23.
5. Integrating Foodbank's finances into the Church's accounts.
6. Employment of a Project Coordinator for Foodbank using grant received from the Trussell Trust.

Paul Day
Treasurer
August 2023

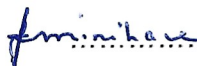


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Auditors Remarks

I have examined the accounts of Doddinghurst Road Church for the period ending 31st March 2023. The accounts have been kept on a Cash Accounting Basis only. No records are made for Prepayments or Accruals. In my opinion, the accounts accurately reflect the Church's affairs at that date.

J. Minihane
Church Auditor
September 2023



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Re: Doddinghurst Road Church CIO – Charity No: 1171227

Independent Examiners Report on April 2022 – March 2023 Finance Report

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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: 

Name: J Minihane

Qualification/Experience: 14 years Church Auditor

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Date: 15 / 10 / ~~22~~²³ 2023