

NEW CREATION CHURCHES MENDIP VALE

England & Wales · Charity number 1171278

Details

Other names	NEW CREATION CHURCHES
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2017-01-24
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN THE COMBINED AREA OF THE MEMBER CHURCHES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF THOSE MEMBER CHURCHES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT.

Activities: In the villages of Banwell and Congresbury, North Somerset the Charity a) provides common resources for its member churches i.e. Administration, Parish Nursing, Youth Work and Community Developmentb) uses these specialist resources to engage its overall membership in building up the wider community c) runs events that bring the members of the four churches and the local community together

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- North Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31		-	-	-
2024-08-31	£52,320	£50,346	-	-
2023-08-31	£50,578	£49,405	-	-
2022-08-31	£43,302	£55,289	-	-
2021-08-31	£77,070	£72,034	-	-
2020-08-31	£73,052	£66,247	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
REVEREND MATTHEW JAMES THOMSON	Chair	2016-09-01
IAN RUSSELL STOCKER		2017-01-15
MR BOB MITCHELL		2016-09-01

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4 Trustees' Report for Charity Commission for Sep 2023- Aug 2024

This is the eighth annual report on behalf of the New Creation Churches CIO and its Trustees.

As in previous years, the payment of staff salaries and the running of the Administration hubs and office continues to be the main component of the New Creation charity's activity.

The two employees (the role of Congresbury Administrator and Communications – both part-time) were approved as permanent contracts.

The final launch of the new Vision for New Creation and the two Churches occurred during the 2023-2024 year.. The financial situation of New Creation and two supporting churches behind it continues to be precarious, due to an aging congregation in both communities. The Diocese continue to rescheduled their call upon part of the financial giving of the two churches during this first of five years so as to give New Creation and the two churches the best chance of re-organisation and success during this time so as to turn a financial corner. We have also met with a Mission Advisor from the Diocese, to help us rethink and reshape our Mission and Outreach strategy in order to try and make us more appealing to the local community. Both aspects of this strategy (financial support and Mission strategy evaluation) would be thought to be helpful to the health and wellbeing of New Creation as a charity, although some of the work they are likely to prompt and generate may well be difficult and painful for the churches to absorb and adjust to.

As mentioned in many previous year's reports, I would like to thank the Treasurers and the Trustees of New Creation for their continued hard work and dedication in overseeing the CIO and its activities. This continues to be a highly challenging and difficult time for the Church in general and these two churches and New Creation in particular. But through kindness and prayer we hope that much that has been sown in previous years, and is now being reshaped in this current period, will indeed bear much fruit in days and years to come. Hope reigns eternal especially when that hope is trusted to and rests in God.



Matthew Thomson (Chairman of the New Creation Trustees)

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The purpose of the New Creation Churches Mendip Vale is to advance the Christian Faith in the combined area of its Member Churches (MC's) in accordance with the principles and practices of those MC's for the public benefit.

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In addition, each of the member churches appoints one person to act as Trustee, representing the charity members from its congregation.

During the year, the following served as Trustees of the CIO:

Chair	Rev Matthew Thomson	C of E Incumbent, Banwell & Congresbury Benefice
Treasurer	Robert Mitchell	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Banwell
	Rosemary Bailey	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Congresbury
Member Church Appointment	SAB Member	Representing St Andrew's, Banwell
Member Church Appointment	Ian Stocker	Representing St Andrew's, Congresbury

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COMMITTEES

No official committees have been formed to date. An unofficial Finance Sub-Committee, consisting of the Member Churches' Treasurers and the CIO Chairman, meets on an irregular basis to review and discuss financial matters as needed.

TRUSTEES' MEETINGS

The Trustees communicated by email during the year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our objective for the year was to consolidate our position, and to finish the year with at least a small surplus of funds, which we also managed. Although some amounts were recorded as Receivables or Payables, due to be cleared following the year-end, our funds carried over into the new financial year totalled £11,837.

RESERVES POLICY

We aim to have a minimum of £5,000 available for running costs and contingencies for emergencies. This equates to budgeted running costs for one month. As we have commitments from all the member churches to fund the charity on a monthly basis we, at present, deem this to be sufficient.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The following policies and procedures are available for examination upon request:

- Safeguarding
- Bullying and Harassment
- Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures
- Equal Opportunities
- Lone Working

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TRUSTEES' STATEMENT

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

We approve the financial information which comprises the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet and the related notes. We acknowledge our responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the accounting basis, and for providing David E. Seabright with all information and explanations necessary for the compilation of the independent examination.



Matthew Thomson

Chairman, on behalf of the Trustees

Date: 31.8.2024

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO NEW CREATION CHURCHES MENDIP VALE CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

I report on the accounts of New Creation Churches Mendip Vale for the year ended 31 Aug 2024, which are set out on pages 8 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records 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 matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

David E. Seabright

Date


14/06/2025

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted 2023-2024	Restricted 2023-2024	Total 2023-2024	Total 2022-2023
Incoming resources:				
Grants	0	0	0	0
Charitable income	48,290	4,030	52,320	50,578
Total income	48,290	4,030	52,320	50,578
Resources expended:				
Expenditure on charitable activities	48,290	2,056	50,346	49,405
Total expenditure	48,290	2,056	50,346	49,405
Net incoming / (expended) resources	0	1,974	1,974	1,173
Transfers	(620)	620	0	0
Total funds brought forward	4,072	5,791	9,863	8,690
Total funds carried forward	3,452	8,385	11,837	9,863

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Balance sheet

	Total	
	2023-2024	2022-2023
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	30,425	30,201
Debtors (<i>see Note 2a</i>)	6,156	5,690
	36,582	35,891
Liabilities		
Creditors (<i>see Note 2b</i>)	24,744	26,028
	24,744	26,028
Net current assets	11,837	9,863
Represented by		
Unrestricted - General fund	3,452	4,072
Restricted (<i>see note 2c</i>)	8,385	5,791

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Notes to the Financial Statements / Treasurer's Report

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

a Funds

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the Charity that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the Charity.

b Incoming resources

Income is primarily from the member Churches and is recognised and applied to the accounting year to which they apply. Amounts due at 31 Aug are accounted for and entered to Accounts Receivable as of that date.

Grants and legacies to the Charity are accounted for as soon as the Charity Treasurer is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by events have been accounted for gross.

c Resources used

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the Charity.

2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES:

a Debtors

Due from member churches:	3,493
Other funders	2,663
Total:	6,156

b Creditors due within one year

PAYE and National Insurance	435
Other	172
Payable to Member Churches	24,137
Total:	24,744

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2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES: (Cont)

C Restricted funds

	BFWD	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	CFWD
	2022-23	2023-24	2023-24	2023-24	2023-24
1 Banwell Office Fund	2,940	0	0	0	2,940
2 NC Coffee & Chat Event	2,851	2,335	(1020)	131	4,297
3 Joseph Fund	0	1,695	(1036)	488	1,148
TOTALS	5,791	4,030	(2,056)	619	8,385

1 A fund to support a future office in Banwell

2 A Joint Project part funded by a grant from Banwell Parish Council

3 A Joint Project combining Drama and Music

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This is the seventh annual report on behalf of the New Creation Churches CIO and its Trustees.

As in previous years, the payment of staff salaries and the running of the Administration hubs and office continues to be the main component of the New Creation charity's activity.

Since the last annual report, the member of staff who reported as being poorly sadly died during this year leaving two teenage children. After a period of reflection and assessment by the two church councils and the Trustees, it was agreed to appoint a replacement to the then vacant post at Banwell, but with a slightly different job description. The interviews for the post took place just after the year end of August 23, but the level of applicants was high, and the Trustees were very please with the appointment they were able to make. This has been borne out by her subsequent involvement and commitment.

The two employees (the role of Congresbury Administrator and Communications – both part-time) were approved as permanent contracts.

During the reporting year, we also appointed a new Music Director. Previously, this role was financed by one church paying the other outside of the New Creation charity, mainly for historic reasons and because the role was evolving during that time. However, with the new appointment being to New Creation and to both churches from the outset it seemed right that the Music Director therefore came under the same umbrella and contractual rights as other members of staff under New Creation. The churches adjusted their financial support across accordingly. Again, time has proven that this was a good appointment and the person holding the post has shone through her personality, nature and how she has led the music of the Church.

The final launch of the new Vision for New Creation and the two Churches was delayed from June to eventually December 2023, so this will be reported upon in the 2023/2024) report. However, suffice to say the financial situation of New Creation and two supporting churches behind it continues to look precarious, partly due to the number of people who left at the time of the previous Music Director but also due to an aging congregation in both communities. Meetings were begun during the reporting year, and after year end, with the Diocese and the head of Finance, Matthew Pinnock. The Diocese have rescheduled their call upon part of the financial giving of the two churches for a period of five years so as to give New Creation and the two churches the best chance of re-organisation and success during this time so as to turn a financial corner. We have also been appointed a Mission Advisor from the Diocese, Tony Cook, and his role is to help us rethink and reshape our Mission and Outreach strategy in order to try and make us more appealing to the local community. Both aspects of this strategy (financial support and Mission strategy evaluation) would be thought to be helpful to the health and wellbeing of New Creation as a charity, although some of the work they are likely to prompt and

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generate may well be difficult and painful for the churches to absorb and adjust to. More details should be forthcoming in light of conversations and decision made which will be reported in the coming year's report (2023/2024).

As mentioned in many previous year's reports, I would like to thank the Treasurers and the Trustees of New Creation for their continued hard work and dedication in overseeing the CIO and its activities. This continues to be a highly challenging and difficult time for the Church in general and these two churches and New Creation in particular. But through kindness and prayer we hope that much that has been sown in previous years, and is now being reshaped in this current period, will indeed bear much fruit in days and years to come. Hope reigns eternal especially when that hope is trusted to and rests in God.



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	Beth Ashton-Hilton (to 31/04/2023)	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Congresbury
	Rosemary Bailey (from 01/05/2023)	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Congresbury
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Matthew Thomson

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Date: 28/08/2024

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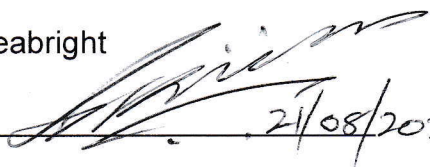
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David E. Seabright

Date


21/08/2024

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted 2022-2023	Restricted 2022-2023	Total 2022-2023	Total 2021-2022
Incoming resources:				
Grants	0	0	0	0
Charitable income	48,505	2,073	50,578	43,302
Total income	48,505	2,073	50,578	43,302
Resources expended:				
Expenditure on charitable activities	48,505	900	49,405	55,289
Total expenditure	48,505	900	49,405	55,289
Net incoming / (expended) resources	(0)	1,173	1,173	(11,987)
Transfers	0	0	0	0
Total funds brought forward	4,072	4,618	8,690	22,677
Total funds carried forward	4,072	5,791	9,863	8,690

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Balance sheet

	Total	
	2022-2023	2021-2022
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	30,201	25,279
Debtors (<i>see Note 2a</i>)	5,690	5,347
	35,891	21,776
Liabilities		
Creditors (<i>see Note 2b</i>)	26,028	13,086
	26,028	13,086
Net current assets	9,863	8,690
Represented by		
Unrestricted - General fund	4,072	4,072
Restricted (<i>see note 2c</i>)	5,791	4,618
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2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES:

a Debtors

Due from member churches:	3,158
Other funders	2,532
Total:	5,690

b Creditors due within one year

PAYE and National Insurance	518
Payable to Member Churches	25,510
Total:	26,028

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2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES: (Cont)

C Restricted funds

	BFWD	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	CFWD
	2021-22	2022-23	2022-23	2022-23	2022-23
1 Banwell Office Fund	2,940	0	0	0	2,940
2 NC Coffee & Chat Event	1,678	2,073	(900)	0	2,851
TOTALS	4,618	2,073	(900)	0	5,791

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2 A Joint Project part funded by a grant from Banwell Parish Council

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4 Trustees' Report for Charity Commission for Sep 2021- Aug 2022

This is now the sixth annual report on behalf of the New Creation Churches CIO and its Trustees.

As in previous years, the payment of staff salaries and the running of the Administration hubs/offices of the two churches continues to be the greatest single component of the organisations' financial activity.

With the immediate critical effects of the Pandemic coming to an end in the earlier part of 2021 it was hoped that we would once again be able to return to a 'normal' life thereafter. However, the closely followed impact of the 'cost of living crisis' due to the invasion of Ukraine and its associated effects, especially on energy costs, has similarly had a big impact on our wider context in which we operate as two small local churches in a semi-rural context situated in between the major conurbations of Weston-super-mare and Bristol.

These two international influences have forced us to re-evaluate and re-shape how we achieve our core purpose and desire, which is to share the love of God with one another and our wider community in meaningful ways relevant to the context and times in which we find ourselves.

This re-evaluation and re-shaping has not been agreeable with everyone and led to a number of key participants sadly deciding to leave the churches, and therefore New Creation, during this reported year – approximately twenty to thirty per cent and, in the context of this report, taking their financial contributions with them.

At the same time, a number of new, younger, members also joined the churches and therefore New Creation during this period, mainly for reasons of being inspired and attracted by the slowly emerging new identity that we were seeking to explore and discover. Although these are fewer in number than those who have left, it is encouraging and is promising that the re-evaluation and re-shaping process is hopefully along roughly the right lines.

As the reporting period only leads up to August 2022, the final agreement as to a new sense of vision, its values and prospective projects, had not yet been finally achieved and agreed (this has now been established as of May 2023), but it would be important to highlight that a significant time of change was likely to continue and that this would affect both the wider organisation and also the work of key employees of the New Creation Trust.

As Trustees we would see a key part of our role as being to look after the welfare and wellbeing of staff members during this period and this has been further amplified because the health of one key member of staff continued to deteriorate during the reported year and the family situation of another key member of staff continued to be problematic during the reported period. Therefore, during the year, we have appointed two further members of staff on a temporary basis, one to help cover 'Admin' work at the Congresbury Office, and the other to help with Communication – looking after the website, social media, and also trying to look at how we can

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improve information sharing both across the two church communities but also between the church and the wider communities.

As I mentioned in last year's report, I would like to thank the Treasurers and the Trustees of New Creation for their continued hard work and dedication in overseeing the CIO and its activities. This has been a second highly challenging and difficult year for New Creation and the number of challenges being carried over into the coming reporting year only mean this time of change and challenge looks set to continue for much longer than originally anticipated. But through kindness and prayer we hope that much that has been sown in previous years, and is being reshaped in this current period, will indeed bear much fruit in days and years to come, for, as we said when reporting this time last year, nothing, if done for good or right reason, is wasted, ultimately, in God.

Matthew Thomson (Chairman of the New Creation Trustees)



AIM and PURPOSE

The New Creation Charity Purpose comes under the General description of purpose "the Advancement of Religion for the public benefit".

The purpose of the New Creation Churches Mendip Vale is to advance the Christian Faith in the combined area of its Member Churches (MC's) in accordance with the principles and practices of those MC's for the public benefit.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Location:	Station Road Congresbury
Correspondence address:	St Andrew's Church Office Station Road Congresbury Bristol BS49 5DX
Charity Commission Registration Number:	1171278

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT

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In addition, each of the member churches appoints one person to act as Trustee, representing the charity members from its congregation.

During the year, the following served as Trustees of the CIO:

Chair	Rev Matthew Thomson	C of E Incumbent, Banwell & Congresbury Benefice
Treasurer	Robert Mitchell	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Banwell
	Beth Ashton-Hilton	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Congresbury
Member Church Appointment	Georgina Walker (To 28/02/2022)	Representing St Andrew's, Banwell
Member Church Appointment	Ian Stocker	Representing St Andrew's, Congresbury

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COMMITTEES

No official committees have been formed to date. An unofficial Finance Sub-Committee, consisting of the Member Churches' Treasurers and the CIO Chairman, meets on an irregular basis to review and discuss financial matters as needed.

TRUSTEES' MEETINGS

The Trustees communicated by email during the year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our objective for the year was to consolidate our position, and to finish the year with at least a small surplus of funds, which we also managed.. Although some amounts were recorded as Receivables or Payables, due to be cleared following the year-end, our funds carried over into the new financial year totalled £8,690.

RESERVES POLICY

We aim to have a minimum of £5,000 available for running costs and contingencies for emergencies. This equates to budgeted running costs for one month. As we have commitments from all the member churches to fund the charity on a monthly basis we, at present, deem this to be sufficient.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The following policies and procedures are available for examination upon request:

- Safeguarding
- Bullying and Harassment
- Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures
- Equal Opportunities
- Lone Working

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TRUSTEES' STATEMENT

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

We approve the financial information which comprises the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet and the related notes. We acknowledge our responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the accounting basis, and for providing David E. Seabright with all information and explanations necessary for the compilation of the independent examination.



Matthew Thomson

Chairman, on behalf of the Trustees

Date: 23rd July 2023

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO NEW CREATION CHURCHES MENDIP VALE CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

I report on the accounts of New Creation Churches Mendip Vale for the year ended 31 Aug 2022, which are set out on pages 8 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records 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.

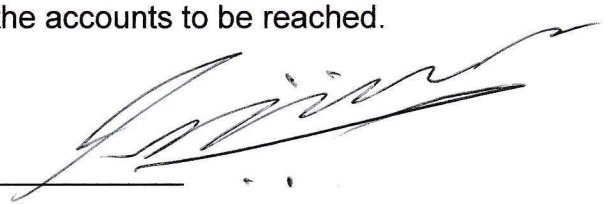
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

David E. Seabright

Date 18/7/2023



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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted 2021-2022	Restricted 2021-2022	Total 2021-2022	Total 2020-2021
Incoming resources:				
Grants	0	0	0	19,545
Charitable income	41,694	1,608	43,302	57,525
Total income	41,694	1,608	43,302	77,070
Resources expended:				
Expenditure on charitable activities	52,462	2,827	55,289	72,034
Total expenditure	52,462	2,827	55,289	72,034
Net incoming / (expended) resources	(10,768)	(1,219)	(11,987)	5,036
Transfers	0	0	0	0
Total funds brought forward	14,840	5,837	22,677	15,641
Total funds carried forward	4,072	4,618	8,690	20,677

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Balance sheet

	Total	
	2021-2022	2020-2021
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	16,429	25,279
Debtors (<i>see Note 2a</i>)	5,347	5,141
	21,776	30,420
Liabilities		
Creditors (<i>see Note 2b</i>)	13,086	9,743
	13,086	9,743
Net current assets	8,690	20,677
Represented by		
Unrestricted - General fund	4,072	14,840
Restricted (<i>see note 2c</i>)	4,618	5,837

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

a Funds

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the Charity that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the Charity.

b Incoming resources

Income is primarily from the member Churches and is recognised and applied to the accounting year to which they apply. Amounts due at 31 Aug are accounted for and entered to Accounts Receivable as of that date.

Grants and legacies to the Charity are accounted for as soon as the Charity Treasurer is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by events have been accounted for gross.

c Resources used

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the Charity.

2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES:

a Debtors

Due from member churches:	2,815
Other funders	2,532
Total:	5,347

b Creditors due within one year

PAYE and National Insurance	478
Payable to Member Churches	12,608
Total:	13,086

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2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES: (Cont)

C Restricted funds

	BFWD 2020-21	INCOME 2021-22	EXPENSE 2021-22	TRANSFERS 2021-22	CFWD 2020-21
1 Vine CAST Project	2,000	0	(2,000)	0	0
2 Banwell Office Fund	2,940	0	0	0	2,940
3 NC Coffee & Chat Event	897	1,608	(827)	0	1,678
TOTALS	5,837	1,608	(2,827)	0	4,618

1 A donation in support of Vines Youth Counselling Work

2 A fund to support a future office in Banwell

3 A Joint Project part funded by a grant from Banwell Parish Council

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4 Trustees' Report for Charity Commission for Sep 2020 - Aug 2021

This is the fifth annual report on behalf of the New Creation Churches CIO and its Trustees.

The payment of staff salaries and the running of the two administration hubs/offices continues to be the greatest single component of the organisation's financial activity.

The Covid-19 epidemic that started in March 2020 continued to disrupt the world well beyond the end of this financial year. The advent of effective vaccines and new medication reduced the worst effects of the virus. However the appearance of new variants of less virulence but increased transmission continued to plague normal life for many and particularly those of greater vulnerability due to age or medical condition.

The population was initially subjected to lockdowns, social distancing and Church Services were transferred to digital streaming. Subsequently, as services have been made available again physically, the two Churches of the Trust have decided to continue with being a "Hybrid" Church, ie both physical and online, in order to try and reach as broad a community as possible.

As a result of Government restrictions our charity activities continued to be curtailed or cancelled during this time. This included both the existing physical and community based projects, the Life events work, so much of the cultural and fellowship life of the Church, and our previous 'outreach' work,. The Church community sought to play its part in the two wider communities through working together with organisations such as Foodbank, Local Councils and North Somerset Community Action. Given the dramatic re-orientation of the work and life of the Church during this time, much of the work of the paid staff (under the umbrella of the Trust) was similarly dramatically reduced. This, coupled with the similarly dramatic loss of income from a significant number from the existing two Church communities during this time, meant that we needed to continue to take advantage as we could of the Government Furlough Scheme. Staff did not return to full working hours until September 2021.

The return to a more normal life has been slow with the effects of the epidemic taking some time to be fully realised and addressed. The return of the worlds economy to growth has generated further difficulties as the renewed demand for resources has resulted in inflation. This is been magnified by the Russian invasion of Ukraine resulting in the worlds avoidance of need to rely on Russian energy resources and resulting in enhanced world market prices for fuel. The rising cost of living tending to undermine the revival in the Charities income.

The impact on the wellbeing and life of the Staff Team continues but we have sought to mitigate this as much as possible in terms of mutual care and support. Further the work of the Charity has been impacted by one member of staff being

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long term ill and another having to reduce hours worked to meet the demands of family needs.

The Initial thinking from the two Church Councils is that a new sense of vision and of being Church will be required in order to try and help inspire and encourage the wider communities and ourselves into a new understanding of 'normal' and so try and contribute to a new and hopefully better world.

I would like to thank all the Treasurers and the Trustees of New Creation for their continued hard work to oversee the CIO and its activities. It has been a challenging and difficult year for New Creation and there are many challenges that face us into the future but through prayer and God's kindness we hope that much of what He has already sown during these years together will prove fruitful in new and perhaps unexpected ways in the days and years to come for, in God, nothing is wasted.

Matthew Thomson (Chairman of the New Creation Trustees)

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Matthew Thomson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'M' and a long, sweeping tail.

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	Beth Ashton-Hilton	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Congresbury
Member Church	Georgina Walker	Representing St Andrew's, Banwell
Appointments	Ian Stocker	Representing St Andrew's, Congresbury

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COMMITTEES

No official committees have been formed to date. An unofficial Finance Sub-Committee, consisting of the four Member Churches' Treasurers and the CIO Co-chairs, meets on an irregular basis to review and discuss financial matters as needed.

TRUSTEES' MEETINGS

Due to Covid the Trustees communicated by email during the year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our objective for the year was to consolidate our position, and to finish the year with at least a small surplus of funds, which we also managed. The Furlough scheme grants added to our end of year surplus. Although some amounts were recorded as Receivables or Payables, due to be cleared following the year-end, our funds carried over into the new financial year totalled £20,677.

RESERVES POLICY

We aim to have a minimum of £5,000 available for running costs and contingencies for emergencies. This equates to budgeted running costs for one month. As we have commitments from all the member churches to fund the charity on a monthly basis we, at present, deem this to be sufficient.

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TRUSTEES' STATEMENT

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

We approve the financial information which comprises the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet and the related notes. We acknowledge our responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the accounting basis, and for providing David E. Seabright with all information and explanations necessary for the compilation of the independent examination.



Matthew Thomson

Chairman, on behalf of the Trustees

Date: 9.6.2022

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO NEW CREATION CHURCHES MENDIP VALE CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

I report on the accounts of New Creation Churches Mendip Vale for the year ended 31 Aug 2020, which are set out on pages 9 to 12.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records 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 matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
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- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

David E. Seabright

Date 9.6.2022 

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted 2020-2021	Restricted 2020-2021	Total 2020-2021	Total 2019-2020
Incoming resources:				
Grants	0	19,545	19,545	1,500
Charitable income	57,525	0	57,525	71,552
Total income	57,525	19,545	77,070	73,052
Resources expended:				
Expenditure on charitable activities	52,379	19,655	72,034	66,247
Total expenditure	52,379	19,655	72,034	66,247
Net incoming / (expended) resources	5146	(110)	5,036	6,805
Transfers	500	(500)	0	0
Total funds brought forward	9,194	6,447	15,641	8,836
Total funds carried forward	14,840	5,837	20,677	15,641

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Balance sheet

	Total	
	2020-2021	2019-2020
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	25,279	21,569
Debtors (<i>see Note 2a</i>)	5,141	6,474
	30,420	28,043
Liabilities		
Creditors (<i>see Note 2b</i>)	9,743	12,402
	9,743	12,402
Net current assets	20,677	15,641
Represented by		
Unrestricted - General fund	14,840	9194
Restricted (<i>see note 2c</i>)	5,837	6,447

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Notes to the Financial Statements / Treasurer's Report

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

a Funds

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the Charity that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the Charity.

b Incoming resources

Income is primarily from the member Churches and is recognised and applied to the accounting year to which they apply. Amounts due at 31 Aug are accounted for and entered to Accounts Receivable as of that date.

Grants and legacies to the Charity are accounted for as soon as the Charity Treasurer is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by events have been accounted for gross.

c Resources used

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the Charity.

2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES:

a Debtors

Due from member churches:	2,609
Other funders	2,532
Total:	5,141

b Creditors due within one year

PAYE and National Insurance	387
Payable to Member Churches	9,356
Total:	9,743

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2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES: (Cont)

C Restricted funds

	BFWD	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	CFWD
	2019-20	2020-21	2020-21	2020-21	2020-21
1 Vine CAST Project	2,000	0	0	0	2,000
2 Banwell Office Fund	0	2,940	0	0	2,940
3 NC Coffee & Chat Event	897	0	0	0	897
4 NC Iona Trip 2021	3,050	16,605	(19,655)	0	0
5 Youth Cast Grant	500	0	0	(500)	0
TOTALS	6,447	19,545	(19,655)	(500)	5,837

1 A donation in support of Vines Youth Counselling Work

2 A fund to support a future office in Banwell

3 A Joint Project part funded by a grant from Banwell Parish Council

4 A fund to handle monies held as part instalments for those signing up for the trip.

5 A grant from Dr S C Clarke Trust for Youth Work

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Trustees' Report for Charity Commission for Sep 2019 - Aug 20

This is the fourth annual report on behalf of the New Creation Churches CIO and its Trustees.

The payment of staff salaries and the running of the two administration hubs/offices continues to be the greatest single component of the organisation's financial activity.

During the year the Charity saw a significant change in Church Membership when sadly the Banwell and Congresbury Methodist Churches decided to end their membership of New Creation. This was completed on the last day of April 2020.

Given this fundamental change in the ecumenical status of New Creation, the Trustees consulted the remaining Member Churches (St Andrews, Banwell and St Andrew's, Congresbury – the two Anglican Churches in the Trust) on their view of the future of the Charity. These two Anglican Churches had previously decided (Nov 2019) to continue with the New Creation Vision, direction and Trust.

In March 2020 the world was hit by the Covid-19 epidemic and the world, as we knew it, changed. The population was subjected to lockdowns, social distancing and Church Services were initially transferred to digital streaming. Subsequently, as services have been made available again physically, the two Churches of the Trust have decided to continue with being a "Hybrid" Church, ie both physical and online, in order to try and reach as broad a community as possible. As a result of Government restrictions our charity activities needed to be curtailed or cancelled during this time. This included both the existing physical and community based projects, the Life events work (other than funerals), so much of the cultural and fellowship life of the Church, and our previous 'outreach' work,. Instead, the Church community sought to play its part in the two wider communities through working together with organisations such as Foodbank, Local Councils and North Somerset Community Action. Given the dramatic re-orientation of the work and life of the Church during this time, much of the work of the paid staff (under the umbrella of the Trust) was similarly dramatically reduced (a position that has continued through to the present time – Jul 2021). This, coupled with the similarly dramatic loss of income from a significant number from the existing two Church communities during this time, meant that we needed to take as great advantage as we could of the Government Furlough Scheme (something the Staff will continue to be part of till 31st Aug 2021). This has had impact on the wellbeing and life of the Staff Team but we have sought to mitigate this as much as possible in terms of mutual care and support through this time.

With the advent of effective vaccines it is hoped that both the transmission of the disease and the worst effects to health will be mitigated. This will allow a return to a more normal life but with the effects of the epidemic taking some time to be fully realised and addressed. Initial thinking from the two Church Councils is that a new sense of vision and of being Church will be required in order to try and help inspire and encourage the wider communities and ourselves into a new understanding of 'normal' and so try and contribute to a new and hopefully better world.

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Future events during the coming year, which have financial implication, include:

- Planned "Iona Trip 2021" – this was approved and resulted in deposits for the trip flowing into the New Creation account. (As at time of reporting we have just heard that the venue have cancelled the Booking due to the Virus implications. All monies will be returned).

I would like to thank all the Treasurers and the Trustees of New Creation for their continued hard work to oversee the CIO and its activities. It has been a challenging and difficult year for New Creation and there are many challenges that face us into the future but through prayer and God's kindness we hope that much of what He has already sown during these years together will prove fruitful in new and perhaps unexpected ways in the days and years to come for, in God, nothing is wasted.

Matthew Thomson (Chairman of the New Creation Trustees)

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AIM and PURPOSE

The New Creation Charity Purpose comes under the General description of purpose "the Advancement of Religion for the public benefit".

The purpose of the New Creation Churches Mendip Vale is to advance the Christian Faith in the combined area of its Member Churches (MC's) in accordance with the principles and practices of those MC's for the public benefit.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Location:	Station Road Congresbury
Correspondence address:	St Andrew's Church Office Station Road Congresbury Bristol BS49 5DX
Charity Commission Registration Number:	1171278

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT

The C of E Incumbents, Methodist Ministers and Treasurers of the member churches for the time being shall automatically, by virtue of holding that office, be a charity Trustee.

In addition, each of the member churches appoints one person to act as Trustee, representing the charity members from its congregation.

During the year, the following served as Trustees of the CIO:

Co-Chair	Rev Matthew Thomson	C of E Incumbent, Banwell & Congresbury Benefice
Co-Chair	Rev Meg Slingo (to 30/04/2020)	Methodist Minister for Banwell & Congresbury
Treasurer	Robert Mitchell	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Banwell
	John Batt (to 30/04/2020)	Treasurer for Banwell Methodist Church
	Trusteeship not taken up until Beth Ashton-Hilton (from 01/05/2020)	Treasurer for St Andrew's, Congresbury
	Barry Sparks (to 30/04/2020)	Treasurer for Congresbury Methodist Church
Member Church	Keith Andrews	Representing St Andrew's, Banwell
Appointments	Keith Ivory (to 30/04/2020)	Representing Congresbury Methodist Church
	Ian Stocker	Representing St Andrew's, Congresbury
	Carole Taylor (to 30/04/2020)	Representing Banwell Methodist Church
Secretary to the Trustees (non-voting)	Siobhan Armstrong (to 31/01/2020)	

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COMMITTEES

No official committees have been formed to date. An unofficial Finance Sub-Committee, consisting of the four Member Churches' Treasurers and the CIO Co-chairs, meets on an irregular basis to review and discuss financial matters as needed.

TRUSTEES' MEETINGS

The Trustees met on two occasions during the year. There was a high level of attendance for both meetings.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our objective for the year was to consolidate our new Charitable position, and to finish the year with at least a small surplus of funds, which we also managed. The loss of our Methodist Members who contributed between them 9% of our annual costs saw some adjustment of the overall spend which together with the Furlough scheme grants added to our end of year surplus. Although some amounts were recorded as Receivables or Payables, due to be cleared following the year-end, our funds carried over into the new financial year totalled £15,641

RESERVES POLICY

We aim to have a minimum of £5,000 available for running costs and contingencies for emergencies. This equates to budgeted running costs for one month. As we have commitments from all the member churches to fund the charity on a monthly basis we, at present, deem this to be sufficient.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The following policies and procedures are available for examination upon request:

- Safeguarding
- Bullying and Harassment
- Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures
- Equal Opportunities
- Lone Working

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TRUSTEES' STATEMENT

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

We approve the financial information which comprises the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet and the related notes. We acknowledge our responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the accounting basis, and for providing David E. Seabright with all information and explanations necessary for the compilation of the independent examination.

Matthew Thomson



Chairman, on behalf of the Trustees

Date: 14th October 2021

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO NEW CREATION CHURCHES MENDIP VALE CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

I report on the accounts of New Creation Churches Mendip Vale for the year ended 31 Aug 2020, which are set out on pages 9 to 12.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records 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 matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

David E. Seabright

Date


14/10/2021

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted 2019-2020	Restricted 2019-2020	Total	
			2019-2020	2018-2019
Incoming resources:				
Grants	1,000	500	1500	7,260
Charitable income	64,852	6,700	71552	79,393
Total income	65,852	7,200	73052	86,653
 Resources expended:				
Expenditure on charitable activities	62,824	3423	66,247	82,560
Total expenditure	62,824	3423	66,247	82,560
Net incoming / (expended) resources	3,028	3,777	6,805	4,093
Transfers	1166	(1166)	0	0
Total funds brought forward	5,000	3,836	8,836	4,743
 Total funds carried forward	9194	6447	15,641	8,836

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Balance sheet

	Total	
	2019-2020	2018-2019
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	21,569	6,486
Debtors (<i>see Note 2a</i>)	6,474	8,252
	28,043	14,738
Liabilities		
Creditors (<i>see Note 2b</i>)	12,402	5,902
	12,402	5,902
Net current assets	15,641	8,836
Represented by		
Unrestricted - General fund	9194	5000
Restricted (<i>see note 2c</i>)	6447	3,836

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Notes to the Financial Statements / Treasurer's Report

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

a Funds

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the Charity that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the Charity.

b Incoming resources

Income is primarily from the member Churches and is recognised and applied to the accounting year to which they apply. Amounts due at 31 Aug are accounted for and entered to Accounts Receivable as of that date.

Grants and legacies to the Charity are accounted for as soon as the Charity Treasurer is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the Charity is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by events have been accounted for gross.

c Resources used

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the Charity.

2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES:

a Debtors

Due from member churches:	6,474
Other funders	0
Total:	6,474

b Creditors due within one year

PAYE and National Insurance	993
Payable to Member Churches	11,409
Total:	12,402

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2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOTES: (Cont)

C Restricted funds

	BFWD	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	CFWD
	2018-19	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20
1 Vine CAST Project	1000	1000	0	0	2000
2 Methodist 3 Year Grant	2000	0	(2000)	0	0
3 NC Coffee & Chat Event	436	800	(339)	0	897
4 NC Iona Trip 2021	400	4400	(1750)	0	3050
5 Youth Cast Grant	0	1500	(1000)	0	500
TOTALS	3836	7700	(5089)	0	6447

1 A donation in support of Vines Youth Counselling Work

2 A Grant to be released over three years to fund Community work

3 A Joint Project part funded by a grant from Banwell Parish Council

4 A fund to handle monies held as part instalments for those signing up for the trip.

5 A grant from Dr S C Clarke Trust for Youth Work