

Registered Charity no. 1171951

**SPRINGS CHURCH (GORNAL)
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2021**

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity number

1171951

Principal address

7 Zoar Street

Dudley

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Trustees

Jonathan Robert Rowe

Matthew Wildsmith

Jennifer Louise Wade

Independent examiner

Sally-Ann Reeves FCCA

Shire Barn

Hewell Lane

Tardebigge

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The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Organisational structure

Springs Church (Gornal) is a charitable incorporated organisation registered with Charity Commission on 8th March 2017, registered no 1171951.

Governance and Management

Appointment of trustees:

1. There must be at least 3 trustees. Apart from the first trustee, every trustee must be appointed (for a term of 3 years) by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting called under clause 15 of the charity trust document.

2. In selecting individuals for appointment as trustees, the trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity.

3. The trustees must keep a record of the name and address and the dates of appointment, reappointment and retirement of each trustee.

4. The trustees must make available to each new trustee, on his or her first appointment:

- a. a copy of this deed and any amendments to it;
- b. a copy of the charity's latest report and statement of accounts

5. The first trustees shall hold office for the following periods respectively:

Jonathan Robert Rowe - three years

Jennifer Louise Wade - three years

Matthew Philip Wildsmith - three years

The board of trustees currently comprises three members who meet quarterly as a minimum.

Objectives and activities

The principle objectives of the charity are:

The advancement of religion for the public benefit in Gornal and the surrounding area, including assistance in the development of the Christian faith, emotional and spiritual support. In achieving its purpose, the charity will engage in a range of activities, either on its own or with others, including (but not restricted to):

- the celebration of public worship;
- the teaching of the Christian faith;
- mission and evangelism;
- pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved;
- the provision of facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, including (but not restricted to) the elderly, the young and other groups with special needs: and
- the support of other charities in the UK and overseas.

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Achievements and Performance

The impact of the COVID pandemic made substantial changes to much of how Springs Church operated during this year. We proved ourselves to be agile in our capability to meet the purposes of our charity during such a challenging time.

Despite much of the time being in lockdown our reach into the community, and our evangelistic activities continued to diversify and grow with some headlines outlined below.

- In-person church services moved to online gatherings via YouTube and other virtual meeting software. Online services started in March 2020 and continued throughout the lockdown period with weekly views on our Youtube channels exceeding 300 on most occasions
- Online services included delivering ministry messages but also praise and worship videos were created on weekly basis and shared via Social Media platforms
- Children's work was also adapted to be online, with specific Kids church online activities and packs sent to children through the pandemic
- Mental health of our church members, and the wider community was a key focus during this time. Our youth worker was able to maintain frequent contact with young people via Zoom calls, whilst we operated a system to ensure people were checked upon via phone calls within the church too.
- Our community hub 'Hope House' was also required to close during the pandemic but the work moved quickly towards providing befriending services to the community. This included telephone calls to lonely and vulnerable people in the community, as well as delivering shopping and other necessities during the lockdowns and beyond. Our work extended to partnering with other local community initiatives through an effective signposting arrangement.
- In the periods of the year where lockdown restrictions were relaxed we quickly restored other key ministries to the Gornal area. This included the provision of a School Uniform bank, emergency relief via food parcel and food bank vouchers.
- In this year we increased our Free Debt Advice services through becoming an FCA approved debt advice service. Through referrals and direct contact the team have supported over 10 people in managing debt issues over the year.

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Future Developments

- We intend to expand the reach into the community via our Hope House facility and supporting people in befriending, education, practical support and debt advice.
- We anticipate we will continue to grow the church both online and in-person when the Pandemic restrictions allow.

Financial review

The net unrestricted resources including designated funds before transfers for the year amounted to £18,349 (2020 outgoing resources (£3,534)). The net outgoing restricted resources before transfers for the year amounted to (£1,187) (2020 restricted resources totalled £10,314). Transfers between funds are detailed in note 2 of the accounts. At 31st March 2021 unrestricted funds amounted to £50,824 (2020 £34,835), designated funds amounted to £5,131 (2020 £161) and restricted funds amounted to £6,517 (2020 £10,314)

Reserves and reserves policy

The policy agreed by the trustees is to aim to hold in unrestricted reserves sufficient to cover the general overhead expenses and salary costs not specifically funded by external agencies for a period of six months. As of March 2021, we feel that the reserves available would meet this objective.

Risk policy and review

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks that the charity faces and consider that they are adequately mitigated through insurance, strategic planning, policies, systems and procedures.

Trustees

The trustees holding office during the whole year unless otherwise stated were as follows:

Jonathan Robert Rowe
Matthew Wildsmith
Jennifer Louise Wade

In accordance with the trust deed, trustees hold office for three years.

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Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees on

2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Jonathan Rowe
Trustee

Matthew Wildsmith
Trustee

Jennifer Wade
Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st March 2021 set out on pages 9-11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

S A Reeves FCCA
Shire Barn
Hewell Lane
Tardebigge
Worcs

6th December 2021

SPRINGS CHURCH (GORNAL)
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Designated funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
RECEIPTS						
Gifts	3a	10,400	1,751	-	12,151	1,971
Donations	3b	71,888	287	-	72,175	55,980
Gift Aid tax recovered	3c	15,226	-	-	15,226	35,103
Receipts from charitable activities	3d	2,375	376	1,104	3,855	19,443
Interest and dividends	3e	-	-	-	-	1
TOTAL RECEIPTS		99,889	2,414	1,104	103,407	112,498
PAYMENTS						
Direct charitable activity	4a	74,384	3,747	2,291	80,422	100,162
Donations and gifts	4b	4,566	1,257	-	5,823	5,556
Costs of generating funds	4c	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PAYMENTS		78,950	5,004	2,291	86,245	105,718
NET OF RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS		20,939	(2,590)	(1,187)	17,162	6,780
Transfers between funds		(4,950)	7,560	(2,610)	-	-
CASH FUNDS AS AT 31/03/20		34,835	161	10,314	45,310	38,530
CASH FUNDS AS AT 31/03/21	2	50,824	5,131	6,517	62,472	45,310

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Designated funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Cash funds						
Current account		50,594	5,131	6,517	62,242	45,097
Deposit accounts		-	-	-	-	-
Petty cash		230	-	-	230	213
	2	<u>50,824</u>	<u>5,131</u>	<u>6,517</u>	<u>62,472</u>	<u>45,310</u>
Other monetary assets						
Gift aid recoverable		<u>1,397</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,397</u>	<u>1,441</u>
Assets for charitable use						
Fixed Assets		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on
signed on its behalf by:

2021 and were

Jonathan Rowe
Trustee

Matthew Wildsmith
Trustee

Jennifer Wade
Trustee

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1 Trustees' Remuneration, benefits and related party transactions.

No salaries, benefits or expenses were paid to Trustees during the year. There were no related party transactions during the year.

2 Movement in funds

The movements in designated and restricted funds during the year were:

	Balance b/fwd 01/04/2020	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance c/fwd 31/03/2021
	£	£	£	£	£
General (unrestricted)	34,835	99,889	78,950	(4,950)	50,824
Designated					
Community Fund	8	1,196	2,683	1,891	412
Youth Fund	153	17	551	5,100	4,719
Secret Giver	-	1,201	1,203	2	-
Kids Work	-	-	256	256	-
Worship Fund	-	-	311	311	-
	161	2,414	5,004	7,560	5,131
Restricted					
Make it happen	109	-	4	(105)	-
Age Concern	343	-	-	(343)	-
Awards for All - Community	7,132	-	1,430	(4,152)	1,550
Awards for All - Debt	-	-	-	2,570	2,570
Awards for All - Supplies	-	-	74	74	-
Awards for All - Baby Room	-	-	18	18	-
Community Forum Dudley	673	-	-	(673)	-
National Express Youth	2,057	-	137	-	1,920
Neighbourly Community	-	400	401	1	-
Springs Garden	-	704	227	-	477
	10,314	1,104	2,291	(2,610)	6,517
Total funds	45,310	103,407	86,245	-	62,472

Unrestricted funds are available for general purposes in accordance with the charity's purposes.

The movements in designated and restricted funds for year ended 31st March 2020:

	Balance b/fwd 01/04/2019	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance c/fwd 31/03/2020
	£	£	£	£	£
General (unrestricted)	31,530	93,942	80,330	- 10,307	34,835
Designated					
Breakfast Fund	2,500	-	1,407	(1,093)	-
Communications Fund	400	-	669	269	-
Community Fund	2,000	799	2,791	-	8
Worship Fund	600	-	2,838	2,238	-
Youth Fund	1,500	582	1,929	-	153
Hope House	-	-	8,731	8,731	-
Kids Work	-	-	147	147	-
Small Groups	-	-	15	15	-
	7,000	1,381	18,527	10,307	161
Restricted					
Make it happen	-	1,001	892	-	109
Age Concern	-	674	331	-	343
Awards for All	-	10,000	2,868	-	7,132
Community Forum Dudley	-	3,000	2,327	-	673
National Express Youth	-	2,500	443	-	2,057
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	17,175	6,861	-	10,314
Total funds	38,530	112,498	105,718	-	45,310

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3 Further analysis of Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Designated funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Receipts					
a) Gifts					
Legacy	10,000	-	-	10,000	-
One off gifts	400	1,751	-	2,151	1,971
	<u>10,400</u>	<u>1,751</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,151</u>	<u>1,971</u>
b) Donations					
Regular giving	71,304	-	-	71,304	51,833
Church offerings	584	287	-	871	4,147
	<u>71,888</u>	<u>287</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,175</u>	<u>55,980</u>
c) Gift Aid					
Gift Aid tax recovered	<u>15,226</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,226</u>	<u>35,103</u>
d) Receipts from charitable activities					
Grants	-	-	1,104	1,104	17,625
Events	-	-	-	-	723
Alpha income	2,350	-	-	2,350	-
Other income	25	376	-	401	1,095
	<u>2,375</u>	<u>376</u>	<u>1,104</u>	<u>3,855</u>	<u>19,443</u>
e) Bank interest					
Bank interest	-	-	-	-	1
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>99,889</u>	<u>2,414</u>	<u>1,104</u>	<u>103,407</u>	<u>112,498</u>

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4 Further analysis of Payments

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Designated funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Payments					
a) Direct charitable activity					
Salaries and NI	47,025	-	-	47,025	42,409
Pension costs	2,738	-	-	2,738	2,520
Staff expenses	296	-	-	296	863
Rent	4,500	-	-	4,500	11,126
Band resources	-	225	-	225	-
Insurance	627	-	280	907	706
Repairs & renewals	1,374	-	165	1,539	5,893
Heat & light	3,485	-	-	3,485	3,350
Advertising and promotion	1,516	24	-	1,540	1,059
Telephone & broadband	589	78	12	679	1,375
Stationery, printing & postage	181	92	73	346	397
Music & media	50	33	-	83	-
Licences & subscriptions	837	40	1,050	1,927	1,336
Website hosting	173	-	-	173	144
Hire of equipment	-	-	-	-	103
Hospitality & breakfasts	142	42	-	184	3,330
Furniture and equipment	5,033	798	537	6,368	13,158
Signage	-	-	-	-	650
Finance support	1,475	-	-	1,475	1,440
Consultancy & professional services	-	-	-	-	1,084
Training & events	1,680	-	100	1,780	3,881
Alpha	1,942	-	-	1,942	1,018
Consumables	248	46	22	316	4,020
Youth resources	-	552	52	604	-
Special Sundays & Christmas	173	-	-	173	-
Springs Community Fund	-	1,817	-	1,817	-
Independent examination	300	-	-	300	300
	<u>74,384</u>	<u>3,747</u>	<u>2,291</u>	<u>80,422</u>	<u>100,162</u>
b) Donations and gifts					
Donations and gifts to others	<u>4,566</u>	<u>1,257</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,823</u>	<u>5,556</u>
c) Costs of generating funds					
Fundraising costs	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>78,950</u>	<u>5,004</u>	<u>2,291</u>	<u>86,245</u>	<u>105,718</u>