

Lee Street Independent Evangelical Church

Charity No 1172195

Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2023

Lee Street Independent Evangelical Church

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Lee Street Independent Evangelical Church

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name	Lee Street Independent Evangelical Church
Charity Registration Number	1172195
Registered and Administrative Office	Lee Street Church Lee Street HORLEY RH6 8ES
Trustees	Brian Legg Nathan Page Kenneth Cowell Susan Cottingham
Bankers	HSBC UK 9 The Boulevard CRAWLEY RH10 1UT Barclays Bank UK Plc 90/92 High Street CRAWLEY RH10 1BP
Independent Examiners	Field Sullivan 9 Hare & Billet Road Blackheath London SE3 0RB



Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
		Period start date			Period end date	
From		01	01	2023	To	31 12 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Lee Street Church					
Other names charity is known by						
Registered charity number (if any)	1172195					
Charity's principal address	<table border="1"> <tr><td>Lee Street</td></tr> <tr><td>Horley</td></tr> <tr><td>Surrey</td></tr> <tr> <td>Postcode</td> <td>RH6 8ES</td> </tr> </table>	Lee Street	Horley	Surrey	Postcode	RH6 8ES
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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Brian Legg	Church Secretary		
2	Kenneth Cowell			
3	Nathan Page			
4	Susan Cottingham			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Buildings and Land	Church Growth Trust	The Barn, 1 Manor Farm Barns, Baines Lane, Seaton, Oakham LE15 9HP
Evangelical & Legal	Stewardship	1 Lambs Passage, London EC1Y 8AB

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Trust Deed

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Declaration of Trust

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by a collective agreement of all the existing trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

N/A

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The objectives of the charity are for the public benefit and are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs as set out in the trust deed in Horley and in other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees see fit.

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

The main activities of Lee Street Church are:

- Sunday Services
- Pre-school Playgroup
- Coffee Morning
- Service and support the local community

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Apart from Lee Street Playgroup all activities of the charity are carried out by part time unpaid volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The main achievements and performance activities of Lee Street Church in 2023 are:

- Maintained Christian Witness at Lee Street Church
- Worked closely with Churches for Horley to advance the Christian faith.
- Continued to maintain the grounds over the year.
- Continued to support missionary work of other charities and individuals.
- Continued to hold Sunday Meeting via zoom for members who are not local to Horley as had been possible during the Coronavirus Pandemic.
- To provide practical support to the Churches for Horley Foodbank.
- Continued with the outreach in the local community, through our Church Playgroup.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Church has some reserves which is reviewed by the Trustees. The Trustees consider that the church should continue to maintain minimum level of general reserves to enable building and ground maintenance.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Lee Street receives income from a number of sources, these include:

- Weekly offering and Monthly direct payments
- Gift aid
- Legacies
- County Council funding for Playgroup

The income over 2023 is used to ensure all the payments, and bills are paid. Over the year in 2023 the income was £107,892.

All of the expenses for the church and playgroup are taken from the income as stated above.

Section F Other optional information

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Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date

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Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records with disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Trust. The Trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. In accordance with The Charities Act 2011 Section 145 the accounts have been independently examined.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Lee Street Independent Evangelical Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Lee Street Independent Evangelical Church ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the summary of receipts and payments and the statement of assets and liabilities.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the accounts. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no audit opinion on the accounts and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Tim Sullivan FCA
Field Sullivan Limited
9 Hare & Billet Road
Blackheath
London
SE3 0RB

Date:.....



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Lee Street Independent Evangelical Church

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2023	To	31/12/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestrict ed 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					
Playgroup	93,229	-	-	93,229	73,457
Church	14,663	-	-	14,663	13,111
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	107,892	-	-	107,892	86,567
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	107,892	-	-	107,892	86,567
A3 Payments					
Playgroup	81,267	-	-	81,267	69,910
Church	18,542	-	-	18,542	15,992
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	99,809	-	-	99,809	85,902
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Furniture and equipment	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	99,809	-	-	99,809	85,902
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,083	-	-	8,083	665
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	80,914	-	-	80,914	80,249
Cash funds this year end	88,997	-	-	88,997	80,914

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Playgroup bank and cash	77,230	-	-
	Church bank and cash	11,767	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	88,997	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
	Details			
	Gift aid debtor	2,149	-	-
	Prepayments	1,282	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Accrued income	7,433	-	-
		10,864	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Details			
	Insured value of Lee Street Church premises, leased from the Church Growth Trust	Unrestricted fund	-	649,009
	Furniture and equipment - insured value	Unrestricted fund	-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Details			
	Other creditors	Unrestricted fund	8,378	
	Accruals	Unrestricted fund	3,110	

Notes to the accounts

During 2023 £600 (2022: £1,071) was paid to Kenneth Cowell for speakers expenses and gifts, and £nil (2022: £50) to P.Byrne, son-in-law of a Trustee, for electrical works.

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Brian Legg	