



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 January 2022 To 31 December 2022

Charity name: JAMES STREET CHURCH

Charity registration number: 1172983

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The purposes of the Church shall be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advancement of the Christian faith [in accordance with the Statement of Faith] in such ways as the Charity Trustees may from time to time decide; and • The relief of persons who are in need by reason of financial hardship, ill-health, disability, unemployment, and such other economic or social disadvantage. • The support of Christian missionaries and humanitarian appeals outside of the UK.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>With the easing of the Covid-19 crisis, we have been able to begin resuming more normal face to face activities. However we have continued to provide on line activities and streaming of our services for more vulnerable members.</p> <p>Advancement of the Christian Faith:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday services of public worship • Weekly bible studies and prayer meetings • Ladies conferences and regular Men's Breakfasts <p>Youth (under 15)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We run a weekly evening club open to all children from the surrounding housing estate. During the club we organise crafts, games and provide a small meal. This club is running at capacity with over 30 children regularly attending. • We have organised trips to take children and their parents to an environment outside the local estate including to Open Farms and surrounding beach or picnic spots • We run occasional seasonal events attended by children and parents including an annual Light Party as an alternative to Halloween and annual Christmas carol services and meals for children and their parents.

		<p>Adults</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We run a weekly food bank meeting the needs of residents in Golden Grove. This has continued after the Covid crisis since the hardship on our estate seems to be increasing. This was funded from generous donations by church members alongside food donations obtained from local shops and restaurants. • We work in partnership with SAFE to run back to work and confidence courses for local residents (http://www.safe.org.uk/). • We have been running Alpha https://alpha.org/ to gently introduce adults in the community to the Christian faith • We have also been running The Wellbeing Journey (https://wellbeingjourney.org/) course to help adults in our community post covid-19 to embark on a holistic journey to physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing. <p>Mission</p> <p>We support other relief and mission organisations working outside of the UK especially including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Doors https://www.opendoorsuk.org/, • Bringing Good News https://www.bringinggoodnews.org/ • The Tabernacle Church Stanley, Falkland Islands
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The Trustees have the had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.</p> <p>The charity seeks where possible to reach out and offer loving care to all residents on the surrounding estate and to anyone who approaches us for help.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	<p>At the discretion of the trustees, the charity will make occasional donations or grants to other charities or individuals that are performing activities which are aligned with the charitable objectives of this charity.</p> <p>To this end, we seek to give a proportion of our income through other relief and mission organisations.</p>
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	<p>The charity currently has no program of social investment.</p>
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>We are very grateful for the faithful volunteers who help activities at James Street happen. Many of these volunteers are retired but faithfully devote a lot of energy to blessing the surrounding community through the activities of James Street.</p> <p>These include voluntary youth workers, cooks, drivers and musicians, administrators and caretakers.</p> <p>In addition, we wish to recognise the voluntary members of the pastoral team who visit the sick and elderly, provide pastoral guidance and prayer for the community.</p>

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Despite its small size and limited resources, James Street Church has during 2022 continued its tradition established over 60 years of blessing the people of the surrounding Golden Grove estate.</p> <p>Alison Strudwick continues to be a part time Pastor for the church. Alison spends three days a week organising the activities of the church and providing pastoral support to individuals as needed.</p> <p>We have continued to provide pastoral support and encouragement to anyone who came to our church, either on-line or through the weekly food bank.</p> <p>We support the spiritual needs of the estate through offering prayer and counsel as appropriate to anyone who comes to us.</p> <p>Around 35 people come regularly to our Sunday meetings including a number from the adjacent sheltered housing where we also have volunteer visitors. We have continued to provide online services and helped many of our older vulnerable citizens to access these through their phones or tablets.</p> <p>We continue to see a high demand for help for impoverished families on our estate. We continue to support up to 50 families with food donations through our Thursday food bank.</p> <p>We have continued to organise outdoor celebrations of Christmas and Easter with dramatic presentations and community singing.</p> <p>Our children's clubs have begun meeting again in person. We provide games, crafts and a simple snack for all of the children who attend. We have also organised a number of trips to local landmarks which gets the children off the estate.</p>

Additional information (optional)

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>The trustees wish to record our profound gratitude to Alison Strudwick, our pastor, has continued to provide leadership and pastoral support to the community.</p> <p>As a result of Alpha and other initiatives we have seen a number of new members who have appreciated pastoral support and someone to talk to about various issues in their lives.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>We are encouraging the majority of our members to rearrange their giving to give a regular gift to James Street through Stewardship Services who will handle direct debits and charitable tax recovery on our behalf.</p> <p>(https://www.stewardship.org.uk/)</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<p>N/A</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>Our income has dropped due to the lack of car park and room bookings. This is unlikely to return in the immediate future due to more people working from home.</p> <p>Our expenditure has dropped so, for now, we remain in a viable position although we are eating into our reserves.</p> <p>The trustees are aware of this trend and are considering how we can raise additional funds to sustain our charitable activities.</p> <p>The roof repairs performed 'at cost' from a local builder appear to have addressed the immediate leaking roof issues. We may need to make provision for more substantial repairs in the future.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>The charity's policy is to maintain sufficient reserves to cover 6 months of operational expenditure. From time to time we may dip into these reserves to cover emergency building or maintenance costs.</p> <p>Separately we have established a building fund to cover ongoing maintenance and improvements to the building.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£52,794
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>The charity's principle source of income is the faithful giving to the church members who although mostly retired, continue to support the ongoing operational costs of the charity.</p> <p>We have also received some more substantial gifts (or gifts in kind) from individuals who wish to support the youth work.</p> <p>Where appropriate in addition we seek grants from relevant awarding bodies to help fund our charitable activities.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<p>We have no long-term investments and hold our cash reserves in public banking deposit accounts. We have no specific policy on social investment.</p>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<p>The principle risks facing the charity are</p> <p>1. The ageing church membership.</p> <p>Although our members are very faithful and active in their support, we recognise that they are getting older and several have passed away this year. However, we also recognise that this church has always had a similar age profile and so we trust that new members will join us as others depart.</p> <p>2. Ageing building in need of refurbishment</p> <p>Our building is an asset which continues to serve us well. We continue to sustain its usefulness through sustaining repairs and decoration. However, we recognise that as it gets older, more major work may become necessary for which the charity has no immediate provision.</p>

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	New Trustees are selected by unanimous vote of the current Trustees. All Trustees must be in agreement with the aims and objectives and statement of faith of the charity.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	JAMES STREET CHURCH
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1172983
Charity's principal address	James Street Church James Street Southampton SO141PH

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	Craig Gallen	Chair		
2	Andy Strudwick	Treasurer		
3	Melanie Ashleigh			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others



Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Craig Gallen

Andy Strudwic

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair of Trustees

Trustee (Treasurer)

Date

16/10/2023



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name JAMES STREET CHURCH	No (if any) 1172983
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01-Jan-22	To	Period end date 31-Dec-22
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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					
Giftable Tithes and Donations	12,792		-	12,792	12,319
Tithes and Donations	11,634		-	11,634	15,215
Car Park and Room Hire	1,242		-	1,242	670
Youth Ministry	966		-	966	365
Conference and Outreach	10,365		-	10,365	
Special Appeals			-	-	7,768
Mini Bus Hire			-	-	
Grants			-	-	10,000
Interest Received	18			18	108
Food Bank Donations	2,714			2,714	3,822
Estate of Late David Burnett			-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	39,731	-	-	39,731	50,267
(see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	39,731	-	-	39,731	50,267
A3 Payments					
Building Upkeep & Operational Cost	8,340		-	8,340	14,180
Fees and Subscriptions	2,182		-	2,182	1,172
Church Activities	2,775		-	2,775	5,374
Charitable Giving	1,796			1,796	5,386
Outreach and Conference	2,133		-	2,133	373
Administration Costs	2,593		-	2,593	2,107
Employment	6,950		-	6,950	6,727
Mini Bus	2,627		-	2,627	2,290
Food Bank	3,919	-	-	3,919	5,981
Sub total	33,315	-	-	33,315	43,590
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	33,315	-	-	33,315	43,590
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,416	0	-	6,416	6,677
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6,416	0	-	6,416	6,677
Cash funds this year end	6,416	0	-	6,416	6,677

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	Bank Account Balances General Accounts	26,771		-
	Bank Account Balances Saving Accounts	26,023	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	52,794	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

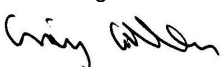

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	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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			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities		37382		37,382
		1829		1,870
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Mr C R Gallen	
	Mr A J Strudwick	



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

JAMES STREET CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31/12/2022

Charity no
(if any)

1172983

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

31/12/2022

Name:

KELVIN GOMM

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

FCCA{RETIRED}