

Thornhill Vineyard Church Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name Thornhill Vineyard Church

Charity registration number 1173226

Principal office

59 Tatwin Crescent
Southampton
SO19 6JN

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59 Tatwin Crescent
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Trustees

Mr Joshua Crandon, Trustee
Mr Duncan James House, Trustee
Mr Adam James Clark, Trustee
Mr Matthew James Evans, Trustee

Bankers

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Accountant

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present their report and accounts for the period ended 31 December 2020.

Thornhill Vineyard Church was incorporated on 31st May 2017 as a CIO.

Structure, governance and management

Thornhill Vineyard Church (the Church) was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with the Charity Commission on 31 May 2017. Its constitution (dated 31st May 2017) is in accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012 which provides trustees with limited legal liability and that trustees manage its affairs and exercise all of its powers.

Objectives and activities

The company's charitable objects are to advance the Christian religion for the public benefit in Thornhill and the world through:

- the organisation and provision of Christian worship;
- the provision of such facilities and services as are appropriate for the church, to enable it to fulfil its mission to the members of the church, visitors to the church and the local community and the wider community;
- the provision of facilities for Christian training and service;
- the support and provision of Christian evangelism and outreach;
- the provision of assistance to the wider Christian church in its ministries.

Strategies & achievements

As a Christian community we have continued to serve our objectives by:

- Five families who originally deliberately moved into the Thornhill estate in order to share life with those around us, continuing to live intentionally community focussed lives with our neighbours.
- Provision of twice monthly public church worship meetings at a local school, weekly small groups for discussion and study, men's and women's pastoral meetings.
- Deliberate community support and engagement through participation with various projects and committees such as school governors, Plus You Ltd, Friends of Hinkler Green and youth groups.
- Working with St Christopher's Anglican Church and Thornhill Baptist Church under the banner of 'Love Thornhill' to hold prayer meetings for the community, joint Easter celebrations and a 24-hour prayer space.
- Working with St Christopher's Anglican Church and Thornhill Baptist Church under the banner of 'Love Thornhill' to deliver various community projects such as litter picks and community events.
- Participation in various 'Vineyard Churches United Kingdom and Ireland' conferences, seminars and training days.
- Joint leadership and management of a monthly youth service 'Encounter' for secondary aged youth from several churches across Southampton.
- Joint leadership and management of an annual youth weekend away for secondary aged youth from three churches for training, equipping, evangelism and support.
- A monthly joint youth house group for 9 to 13 years olds run in conjunction with 'Monty's community hub'.
- Continuing close relationship and support for a family run children's home in Tamil Nadu in South India which homes, educates and looks after 120 Indian children.
- In order to facilitate all of the above works, various internal planning and strategy groups to organise the volunteers of the church into effective action.

Financial review

Financially the charity is secure. During the period the company experienced a surplus of £2,073 which has been added to reserves.

The unrestricted fund balance of £21,749 exceeds the reserves policy of between three and six months' expenditure as agreed by the trustees. This is due to the reduced expenditure on items such as the rental of the school building for church services, due to the impact of Covid-19 and the church not meeting in person for the majority of the year. The trustees are currently considering causes which the charity can contribute to in order to reduce the reserves going forward, although it is also expected that expenditure will rise this in 2021 as the impact of Covid-19 lessens and the church can meet in person again.

The trustees continue to review the major risks to which the company is exposed in order to establish systems to manage those risks.

Impact of Covid-19

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, all church services were suspended on 17 March 2020. From 19 March 2020 all church services were conducted via zoom. This has consisted of weekly meetings at 8:15 on Thursdays and at 10:30 on Sundays.

At this time there are no plans to go back to meeting physically, but when this decision is made it will be in adherence with the government guidelines that are in place at that time and to ensure minimal risk to the attendees to the church service of catching COVID-19.


The Trustees believe the charity remains a going concern, even after the adverse impact of Covid 19. This is because:

- The majority of income comes from regular giving, church members paying in the main by standing orders, which has held up during the crisis;
- Church attendance on Zoom has remained the same as when physical meetings were taking place

Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to accounting records, financial statements, annual reports, returns and register maintenance

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records; preparing the trustees' annual report and financial statements and all other requirements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and that such reports and returns to be submitted to the Charity Commission must be sent, regardless of the level of income, within 10 months of the financial year end

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by:



Mr Joshua Crandon
Chair of Trustees

Date: 19/07/2021

Thornhill Vineyard Church
Statement of Financial Activities (Receipts and Payments Accounts)
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	Note	General Funds year ended 31st December 2020 £	Designated Sabbatical Funds	Total	Total Funds year ended 31st December 2019 £
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income	2	£31,458		£31,458	£30,801
Resources expended					
Resources expended	3	£28,773		£28,773	£29,489
Net Income		£2,685		£2,685	£1,312
Transfer of funds		-£612	£612	£0	
Reconciliation of funds					
Total Funds brought forward		£19,676	£612	£20,288	£18,976
Total Funds carried forward		£21,749	£1,224	£22,973	£20,288

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2020

	Notes	31-Dec-20 £	31-Dec-19 £
Current Assets			
Debtors and Prepayments	6	£4,822	£4,985
Cash at bank and in hand		£18,151	£15,303
		<u>£22,973</u>	<u>£20,288</u>
Current Liabilities		£0	
		<u>£0</u>	

Net Current Assets	<u>£22,973</u>	<u>£20,288</u>
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General Funds	£21,749	£19,676
Designated Funds	£1,224	612
Total Charity Funds	<u>£22,973</u>	<u>£20,288</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf by:



Trustee **JOSHUA CRANDON**

Date: **17/07/2021**

The notes on pages 3 to 5 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

Thornhill Vineyard is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and as such is a charity registered as a body corporate under Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011 and has elected under S133 of the 2011 Act to prepare Receipts and Payments Accounts and a Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Fund accounting policy

Any unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Incoming resources

Donations are recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the statement of financial activities at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure.

Taxation

Thornhill Vineyard Church is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from taxation.

2 Voluntary Income

	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2020	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2019
	£	£
General Funds		
Donations	£26,615	£25,439
Event Income		£594
Gift Aid Tax reclaim	£4,843	£4,768
	£31,458	£30,801

3 Total Resources Expended

	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2020	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2019
Notes		

Charitable Activities

Activities Undertaken Directly	4	£26,459	£17,580
Support Costs	5	£2,314	£6,758
		<u>£28,773</u>	<u>£24,338</u>

4 Activities Undertaken Directly

	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2020	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2019
Employee Costs	£17,876	£16,738
Sunday Meeting costs	£1,229	£1,423
Pastoral Meeting costs	£0	£69
Team Meeting costs	£118	£170
Teaching Resources	£52	£201
Subscriptions	£300	£372
Events Costs	£270	£3,160
Gifts To Organisations	£4,794	£1,684
Support gifts to Individuals	1820	£837
	<u>£26,459</u>	<u>£24,654</u>

5 Support Costs

	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2020	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2019
Marketing		£144
Telephone & Internet	34	£31
Travel Expenses		£118
Conference Costs	316	£1,214
Office costs	304	£634
Book Keeping	968	£1,038
Legal and Professional	313	£394
Insurance	203	£199
Training Costs	77	£840
Bank charges and interest	60	£60
General Expenses	39	£163
	<u>£2,314</u>	<u>£4,835</u>

6 Employees' remuneration

The average number of persons employed by the charity (including trustees) during the year was ONE.

The remuneration for the trustee employed by the charity was £15,084

7 Debtors and Prepayments

	31st Dec 2020	
Gift Aid owed	£4,822	£4,410
Loan	£0	£575
	£4,822	£4,985

8 Analysis of Funds

	2019	Income	Resources expended	As At Dec 31st 2020
General Funds	£20,288	£31,458	£28,773	£22,973

9 Net Assets by fund

	Total Funds 31st December 2020 £	Total Funds 31st December 2019 £
CAF Current Account	£18,151	£15,303
Net current assets	£4,822	4985
	£22,973	£20,288

Report to the Trustees of Thornhill Vineyard Church
Charity No. 1173226

I report to the trustees of Thornhill Vineyard Church on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December, 2020.

Respective responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity'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 Commissioners 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 2011 Act; or
- the accounts did 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.



Signed:

Date 6th August, 2021

John Robert Eke
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners

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