



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
From 01 April 2023 To 31 March 2024
Period end date

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Redeemer Church Birmingham
Other names charity is known by	Red
Registered charity number (if any)	1173445
Charity's principal address	241 Staple Lodge Road Birmingham West Midlands Postcode B31 3ET

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	Felicity Rose McLeister	Chair		Trustees
2	Anna Louise Youngs			Trustees
3	Jamie McLeister			Trustees

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Jonathan Fielder Pastor/Lead Elder

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	'Foundation' model Constitution. Registered 16 th June 2017
How the charity is constituted	Charitable Incorporated Organisation.
Trustee selection methods	The powers of appointment of Trustees is vested in the trustees, but must be agreed to by the Elders of Redeemer Church Birmingham. Every trustee is appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened

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.

Redeemer Church Birmingham is part of the Catalyst Network who help provide encouragement and accountability. The church is led by elders who the trustees recognise as having care of the church and responsibility for its oversight and mission.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

To advance the Christian religion in accordance with the statement of belief (Appendix A of our Governing Document) for the benefit of the public primarily, but not exclusively, in Birmingham, including, but not exclusively, proclamation of the gospel, the building of community, the relief of those in need, and any such other charitable purposes as the Trustees in their absolute discretion think 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 trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular its supplementary public guidance on the Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit. Redeemer Church Birmingham provides this through a wide range of activities in accordance with its charitable aims. The trustees consider that these activities provide benefit to those who are part of the church and to the wider public.

April 2023 to March 2024 has been a full year which has brought some changes. Our focus again has been 'Jesus is the attraction – Jesus is the solution' which has been worked out in many different ways.

Sundays

Through the spring and summer we finished off our series teaching through the letter to the Romans. People were encouraged and challenged as we looked at the wonderful truths this book contains. In the Autumn we did a series called Think-Feel-Do looking at the Biblical pathway for change and wholeness. Since Christmas we have been working through our 'What Now Training, which has helped bring a clarity and depth to the church. We continue to be enriched by times of praise, prayer and share together, and to enjoy each others company with time provided for refreshments and conversation. We have maintained the

simple and raw approach, which has helped facilitate a friendly family feel and the building of authentic community.

Mid - Week

Hope Groups have continued to provide the bulk of the mid-week programme, giving opportunity to delve deeper into the hope Jesus offers in and through His word. Since starting 'What Now' on a Sunday Hope Groups have run alongside this giving further space to consider the themes brought up on the Sunday. Community Prayer remained an important time together and we also did several games nights at Community Connect which proved to be fun and also fruitful in developing connections and relationships.

Coffee Morning plus

Coffee Morning has again developed & grown, being our central hub for community connection in the area. Many projects have developed either running within or outside of Coffee Morning, see below:

- Clothes Bank
- Macrame Fridays
- Warm Spaces Tile Project
- Wednesday Walks with the Active Wellbeing
- Drawing and Painting Workshop
- Caribbean Summer Programme
- Bakery Sessions with BHB
- Community day trip to Avoncroft
- Sign Language Volunteer Teaching session
- Self Portrait Project
- Weaving and Grieving Pop up Project
- BCAT Clay workshops
- Life and Loss Exhibition
- Bereavement workshops
- Community Skill Swap
- Digital Literacy Project drop in
- TAWs share shack
- Sewing sessions
- Say Something Pop Up Project
- Mixed media pop up arts project, including an exhibition.

The church also started a Coffee Afternoon (through which some of the above projects were carried out), initially in Longbridge but then moved to West Heath. This is smaller than the Coffee Morning but a good hub for connection with people and the building of community.

Mobile Coffee Morning continued to allow us to meet local residence and engage with people where they are at.

Future Proof

In October 2023, Redeemer Church began managing the futureproof project in partnership with Northfield Community Partnership, funded by BCC prevention and communities. This was the result of Redeemer being invited to partner with NCP following a change in anticipated budget.

The project consists of assisting over 50s to live well for longer, in their homes, in the Northfield Constituency. Having already worked for many years alongside Futureproof, and having a strong schedule of local activities running, this seemed like a straightforward and beneficial work and relationship to undertake. The COGA was amended to incorporate the work of Redeemer Church into the existing work of the Futureproof Project.

The project consists of various support to citizens, including emergency support of food parcels and fuel vouchers, a gardening clearance service, handyman service, OT assessments, Welfare and Housing support, Financial support, Mental Health support (through ways for wellbeing), alongside various other signposting and support. This has benefitted from linking citizens into the existing coffee morning and afternoon run by Redeemer Church, alongside the various pop up projects occurring. The coffee morning/afternoon can also act as a regular location for drop in sessions for the project.

The project is running well and utilised by adult social care, the mental health trust and other professional bodies in the area, as well as citizens being able to self refer. It is proving effective in supporting citizens in the constituency and enables Redeemer to be more actively involved in providing relief to the poor.

There have also been numerous food parcels and fuel vouchers distributed, various actions (such as support with a PCN for the clean air zone in Birmingham) and events offered to citizens. Over Christmas, 56 citizens were gifted a Christmas hamper and during the winter months we have distributed 54 warm home bags.

Kids Work

The kids group grew and developed over the year, allowing weekly sessions on a Sunday to take place with more people. Linked with the community activities, we were also able to facilitate various summer activities through the "Caribbean Summer" activities. Following this we decided to begin regular events for the children to help build friendships. This has included a light party in the autumn, and Christmas party. We also ran various children's activities at the Hot Cross Bun party.

Youth Work / Impact

The last twelve months has seen the youth go from strength to strength. We took nine of the youth to Newday for the first time (a Christian youth festival). This was a particular highlight of the year with many of the youth meeting with God in a new way and deepening their faith as a result. We continue our half termly socials on a Friday night, including our flagship Christmas and bonfire socials (with over twenty youth attending). We also visit Emerge (another new frontiers church youth group) once a half term. We have twice monthly youth meetings on a Sunday morning where we look at the bible together, we regularly have between ten and fifteen attend. Another particular highlight was seeing a couple of the youth getting baptised in the last twelve months.

Direct Evangelism

The Jesus At The Door project continued, resulting in a number of interesting conversations and opportunities to pray for people.

Christmas

We once again had an outdoor & indoor Carol Service with festive refreshments. Both of these went well with people from the community attending and enjoying a good sing song & hearing about the reason we can celebrate at Christmas. The church also did several other events around Christmas through the Coffee Morning and Coffee Afternoon - Christmas baking with BHB, Christmas Wreaths, a Christmas Party, a Christmas Film afternoon and a Pop Up Nativity at Austin Rose Care Home.

Easter

After giving it a break the year before, on Good Friday the church once

again held a Hot Cross Bun Party. This involved many Hot Cross Buns (of different flavours & types), plenty of coffee, activities for the kids, colouring competition (for all ages) and a short gospel explanation. People from the community attended with many conversations and interactions happening over a nice Hot Cross Bun.

We celebrated Easter Sunday for the first time with a Baptism Service. Four Baptisms in total and for the first time more men than women. This was a wonderful occasion.

Other Events

In May we held a Coronation Celebration event which involved our Sunday meeting moving outside, a street closure, crafts & sports (TAWS) and plenty of cake and drinks.

In November we had another Baptism Sunday, again with 4 people being baptised, a number of guests attended and as always with baptisms this was a wonderful occasion.

In the Summer we again held a Fun Day (this time called Picnic in the Park). The weather was not as good as the previous year which affected numbers, but local people still had a great time enjoying the inflatables, the fire engine hose and more.

Pastoral

Through Hope Groups, organic friendships and the delivery of specific support & training people have been supported in and through different circumstances and issues. Biblical Counselling & Prayer Ministry have been delivered to people in a variety of situations. Marriage & relationship support also given. We have continued to seek to be a community which looks out for each other and our wider community.

Dispersed

As well as gathering together to meet and put on events & services in all the different ways expressed in this report, the church has also dispersed out into the world, taking the goodness of God in Jesus into many varied places (homes, neighbourhoods, places of employment, leisure activities etc) being a blessing to many, in many different ways and enriching society.

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.

The variety, quality and extent of the work of Redeemer Church Birmingham would not be possible without the time and efforts of its many volunteers. For this we are truly grateful.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We have once again seen people deepen in their love for Jesus, their care for each other, and in compassion for the wider community. As well as putting on many events & services to help facilitate this, it has been lived out in numerous inexpressible ways, as the church has dispersed out into the world taking the goodness of God in Jesus into numerous settings & contexts.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

3 months outgoings to be held.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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.

Section F**Other optional information**

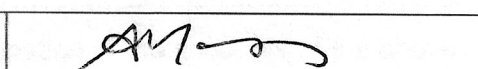
An important moment for the church was in March 24, when for the first time Deacons were officially appointed. Another significant change for the church before this, was that after much thought and prayer the a founding family of the church and elder, sensed God was leading them on to something new & different. We appreciate immensely their time, effort, generosity and even more so presence over the years! Thank you.

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)

FELICITY ROSE MCLEISTER

ANNA YOUNGS

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

CHAIR

TRUSTEE

Date

~~17/11/2024~~ 17/11/2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Redeemer Church Birmingham

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

1st April 2023

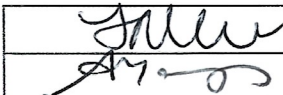
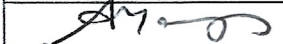
To

31st March 2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	24,286		-	24,286	30,143
Gift Aid	3,569	32	-	3,601	5,138
Interest	250		-	250	46
Refund of Error	12	37	-	49	293
Funding		30,942	-	30,942	49,300
Food Bank Donation			-	-	-
Trf between Bank Account and GOLD Account		1,265	-	1,265	-
Trf from GOLD Account to Bank Account			-	-	49
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,117	32,276	-	60,393	84,969
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,117	32,276	-	60,393	84,969
A3 Payments					
Salaries (incl NI, PAYE, Student Loan)			-		
Restricted funds - Covid 19 support	22,302	20,439	-	42,740	41,972
Venue Hire	3,646	2,802	-	6,448	5,097
Giving	3,946		-	3,946	3,846
Events	518	12,033	-	12,551	11,097
Bills			-		
Restricted Funds - Covid19 Support	1,165	855	-	2,019	2,062
Alpha			-	-	-
Pension	2,202	459	-	2,661	1,962
Travel			-	-	-
Office	260	15	-	275	520
Error	3		-	3	253
Sustenance	27	6	-	33	34
Training Leadership	168	393	-	561	327
Citizen Enablement		3,281	-	3,281	4,099
Other	31	717	-	749	346
Childrens Work	135	1,786	-	1,921	419
Pastoral	120	31	-	151	33
Transfer between Bank Account and Gold Account		2,090		2,090	
Sub total	34,524	44,906	-	79,430	72,066
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	34,524	44,906	-	79,430	72,066
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 6,407	- 12,631	-	- 19,037	12,903
A5 Transfers between funds	260	- 260	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	20,152	29,786	-	49,937	37,034
Cash funds this year end	14,005	16,895	-	30,900	49,937

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	CAF Account	4,448	16,894	-
	GOLD Account	9,557	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	14,005	16,894	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		FELICITY ROSE McLEISTER	17/11/24	
		ANNA YOUNGS	17/11/24	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name: REDEEMER CHURCH BIRMINGHAM

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1173445

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 31 03 2024.

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:

11.11.24

Name:

Mark Neil Walsman

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

ACCA AND ICAEW

(if any):

Address:

COGNITOR ACCOUNTANCY LIMITED, 12 THE COURTYARD,
BUNTSFORD DRIVE, BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE, B6. 3DJ

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Nothing To Disclose