



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 6 April 2021
To 5 April 2022

Period start date
Period end date

Charity name: Bethania Evangelical Church

Charity registration number: 1173470

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the Christian faith, for the public benefit, by seeking to meet the needs that are identified in the local community, using the principles of the Christian faith to guide our actions
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>During this year we continued our prayer and community activities, combining in person, on-line and in the community.</p> <p>Our prayer activities include weekly prayer, monthly 'prayer for the city' and monthly worship evenings</p> <p>The Chaplaincy in our local High School recommenced in person and our prayer room in the school re-opened We had 5 chaplains supporting the students and staff during the period.</p> <p>Our community partnership with the school and community which began in April 2020, continued to develop this year with the opening of a Food Pantry in the local community centre in September 2021.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We have complied with our duty to have due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	During this period the contribution from volunteers has continued to be extraordinary. As lockdown eased, most of our volunteers returned to work. However, with the opening of our food pantry we have been able to concentrate our efforts into a single location. With the smaller number of meetings in our building our volunteers have enabled us to recommence activities in our building, providing a hospitable and safe environment
Other		

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>Our activities this period have continued to be influenced by the Covid Pandemic. As lockdown eased, we have been able resume 'in-person' activities in our premises and wider.</p> <p>In our building we reduced our community activities and focussed on our prayer and worship activities. This has been partly driven by the reduced support available from key church volunteers and also seeing the benefit of supporting people where they are. We have continued to supplement these activities with on-line gatherings.</p> <p>We have been able to resume our 'in person' chaplaincy work in the local High School, including the re-opening of our prayer room there.</p> <p>A major achievement in this period has been the opening of our food Pantry in the local community centre. This has been made possible with support from grants and donations and the stunning work by our volunteers. For a small fee, pantry members from the local community are able to select a number of good quality grocery items. As local people</p>

		<p>gather in the centre, we have been able to achieve the following in the first 6 months of opening:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9444 quality items of grocery to up to 90 Pantry members (270 average per session), plus a large number of 'free' items. • Help to boost pantry members' well-being, especially their resilience and sense of ownership. • Information on nutrition and community events • Safe use of kitchen for providing refreshments. • Delivery of Pantry groceries to isolating / shielding members. • Crisis support to beneficiaries in St Mellons & Trowbridge, including groceries, utilities and furniture. • Organising community activities and events. • Working in partnership with other agencies.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Despite the ongoing effects of the Pandemic, the charity has continue to perform well against its declared objectives namely:</p> <p><i>'... to advance the Christian faith, for the public benefit, by seeking to meet the needs that are identified in the local community, using the principles of the Christian faith to guide our actions'</i></p> <p>In fact we have been able to support and reach even more people than we would have expected in normal times</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>We have been able to access various Coronavirus funds to support our community work as outlined above. In addition we received very generous support from personal donations</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	n/a
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the	Para 1.21	The charity received £20,956 of income set against £68,233
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end of the period		expenditure. Taking into account a residual balance from 2020/21 of £86,311, this has resulted in a surplus of £39,034 for the period. The reduction from last year is due to the drawing down of restricted grant funds.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Charity is holding a reserve in the accounts of £31,769 unrestricted funds. This is intended to support future maintenance and improvement works of our 19c Listed Building. These reserves can also help ensure that the CAST community support initiative can continue even if fundraising is insufficient. The charity is also holding as reserves, the surplus of £7,265 of the restricted funds which is earmarked for the continuation of CAST project in the next period
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
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	No concerns at this time

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity is funded by regular and 'one-off' donations by regular donors. We envisage that the community project work outlined above will continue with support from government, local authority & other grants
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principle risk would be the reduction of giving from our regular contributors. A secondary risk would be the need for unforeseen investment becoming necessary in our 200 year old building. However a full structural survey followed by a substantial programme of improvements has reduced this risk to low. A third risk would arise from the ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic in terms of health and government restrictions. We will continue to mitigate risks that

		we can manage by following all government guidelines and health and safety recommendations
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	'Foundation' model constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) whose only voting members are its charity trustees with a 'Foundation' model constitution
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	In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees will have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bethania Evangelical Church
Other name the charity uses	PrayerHouse at Bethania
Registered charity number	1173470

Charity's principal address	13 Barons Court Road Penylan Cardiff CF23 9DF

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	David Clague	Treasurer and principal contact		All three
2	John Gallagher			
3	Robert Jones			

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	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details


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)**

David Robert Clague

**Position (eg
Secretary
, Chair,
etc)**

Secretary and Treasurer

Date

11th December 2022



Receipts and payments account

For the period from	6th April 2021	To	
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts			
Donations	5,830	-	-
Grants and donations CAST Food Project	-	11,930	-
HMRC Gift Aid	2,252	-	-
Overheads Cast legacy	944	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	9,026	11,930	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).			
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-
Total receipts	9,026	11,930	-
A3 Payments			
Utilities & servicing building	1,549	-	-
Insurance	3,696	-	-
Building maiontnenance	1,842	-	-
Operational Costs	1,038	-	-
Gifts	340	-	-
Cemetery transfer costs	931	-	-
CAST Food Project	-	23,018	-
CAST personell payments	-	35,819	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	9,396	58,837	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)			
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-
Total payments	9,396	58,837	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	370	46,907	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-

A6 Cash funds last year end	32,139	54,172	-
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	31,769	7,265	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Church accounts	31,769
	CAST Food Project balance	-
		-
	Total cash funds	31,769
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	
		-
		-
		-
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates

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

Signature

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5th April 2022

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Total funds

Last year

to the nearest £

to the nearest £

5,830	11,340
11,930	76,660
2,252	3,195
944	
-	
-	-
-	-
-	-
20,956	91,195

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-	-
-	-

20,956	91,195
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1,549	1,653
3,696	3,327
1,842	1,795
1,038	1,572
340	1,142
931	
23,018	16,664
35,819	9,824
-	-
-	-
68,233	35,977

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-	-

68,233	35,977
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- 47,277	55,218
-	-

86,311	-
39,034	55,218

the period

Restricted funds	Endowment funds
to nearest £	to nearest £
-	-
7,265	-
-	-
7,265	-
OK	OK

Restricted funds	Endowment funds
to nearest £	to nearest £
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
-	-
-	-
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-	-

Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
-	-
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Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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