



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
From 1 July 2020 To 30 June 2021

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Goring Free Church

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1173630

Charity's principal address

High Street,

Goring

Reading

Postcode

RG8 9AT

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	Matthew Cordle			
2	Henry Fay			
3	Nigel Gordon-Potts	Chair		
4	Owen Morrell			
5	Michael Ward			
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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

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)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by membership

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

The objects of the CIO for the public benefit are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with its Statement of Beliefs in Goring, Oxfordshire and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the charity trustees may from time to time think fit.

When planning its activities for the year the trustees gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

These activities consisted of the following:

- The provision of acts of corporate worship
- Various activities for preschool, primary, and secondary school age children
- Groups and classes for all ages to learn more about the Christian faith
- A weekly meeting place for anyone within the community to socialise with others over light refreshments
- The support of both local and global mission partners
- The letting of our premises to other community groups

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)

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

From July until September 2020, services were held online and members supported each other remotely. The Church then opened until we were forced to close again in November according to Covid-19 regulations. We re-opened for December but had to close again from January until March 2021. Services were held online throughout the whole period and there was good regular attendance even when services were also being held in the church.

Through the generosity of its members' financial support and their time and commitment, Goring Free Church continued to run its various ministries online and to support those who would normally have attended the groups. We were not able to use our premises but did our best to keep in touch with members of all the various groups who would have met on most days of the week either for our own activities or for those of other community groups.

Also, we are pleased to have been able to maintain our support of other mission initiatives and partners.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Restricted funds are held in reserve until they are due to be expended on the specific items for which they were given.
Unrestricted funds are held to provide financial stability for the continued operation of Goring Free Church and also to meet our possible commitments regarding the repair of the Church buildings we use.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Nigel Gordon-Potts	Owen Morrell
Full name(s)	Nigel Mark Gordon-Potts	Owen Clive Morrell
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee

Date 17/11/2021

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1173630

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	87,326	7,644	94,970	90,682
Charitable activities	-	-	-	3,907
Interest	1,321	-	1,321	1,240
Other income	2,073	-	2,073	-
Total income	90,720	7,644	98,364	95,829
Expenditure on:				
Ministers and employees	42,234	-	42,234	47,825
Property	10,269	-	10,269	17,278
Children and youth	1,098	603	1,701	1,762
Mission grants	11,594	7,234	18,828	19,435
Equipment	-	188	188	558
Other expenditure	2,857	-	2,857	3,217
Total expenditure	68,052	8,025	76,077	90,075
Net income / (expenditure)	22,668	(381)	22,287	5,754
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	22,668	(381)	22,287	5,754

The notes on pages 3 to 8 form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Current assets		
Debtors	6,565	4,124
Cash	<u>133,332</u>	<u>113,085</u>
	139,897	117,209
Current liabilities		
Accruals	<u>(1,604)</u>	<u>(1,203)</u>
Net Current Assets	<u>138,293</u>	<u>116,006</u>
Total Net Assets	<u><u>138,293</u></u>	<u><u>116,006</u></u>
Represented by:		
Unrestricted Funds	137,708	115,040
Restricted Funds	585	966
	<u>138,293</u>	<u>116,006</u>

The notes on pages 3 to 8 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note to these accounts.

Unrestricted funds are the general funds of the Church that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the Church. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the Managing Trustees are also unrestricted.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the Church is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of other groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

1.2 Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income, when the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and receipt is probable.

Legacies are recognised in the accounts when the money is receivable.

Income from donations and gifts arose from giving by church members and where applicable gift aid relief is recognised on an accruals basis at the same point as the original donation.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as and when a legal or constructive obligation arises.

The Church's objects are the advancement of the Christian faith and other such charitable purposes. All grants and any expenditure are made in line with these objects and are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year they are approved.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.4 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.5 Liabilities

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.6 Accumulated funds

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific trusts, which may be declared by their donors, or with the authority such as in a public appeal, or created through legal process, but still within the wider objects of the charity. Restricted funds may be restricted income funds, which are expendable at the discretion of the Managing Trustees in furtherance of particular aspects of the objects of the charity.

2 Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Donations and Gifts	71,211	6,827	78,038	73,192
Gift Aid	16,115	817	16,932	17,490
Legacies	-	-	-	-
	<u>87,326</u>	<u>7,644</u>	<u>94,970</u>	<u>90,682</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

3 Grants Payable

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Grants to Institutions	9,094	4,284	13,378	11,860
Grants to Individuals	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,950</u>	<u>5,450</u>	<u>7,575</u>
	<u>11,594</u>	<u>7,234</u>	<u>18,828</u>	<u>19,435</u>

4 Movement in Funds

	Balance at 30 June 2020	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Balance at 30 June 2021 £
Free Reserves	115,040	90,720	(68,052)	137,708
Restricted Funds	<u>966</u>	<u>7,644</u>	<u>(8,025)</u>	<u>585</u>
	<u>116,006</u>	<u>98,364</u>	<u>(76,077)</u>	<u>138,293</u>

	Balance at 30 June 2019	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Balance at 30 June 2020 £
Free Reserves	108,709	78,271	(71,940)	115,040
Restricted Funds	<u>1,543</u>	<u>17,558</u>	<u>(18,135)</u>	<u>966</u>
	<u>110,252</u>	<u>95,829</u>	<u>(90,075)</u>	<u>116,006</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

5 Managing Trustees

None of the Managing Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration in return for their services as Trustees during the year. One Managing Trustee (2020: one) was also the Pastor of the Church and was remunerated for his services as agreed.

Remuneration is authorised under the Constitution in respect of the Pastor. He may receive reasonable remuneration for his work in the service of the Church notwithstanding that he is a Managing Trustee of the Church. The Pastor must be absent from the part of any meeting where the performance, remuneration or other terms and conditions of his engagement is discussed, and may not vote on any such matter.

Total remuneration (including pension contributions) paid to one Managing Trustee and their related parties in respect of their service to the church, as allowed for under the Constitution, was £40,054 (2020: £44,348).

None of the Trustees was paid or reimbursed for expenses relating to their services during the year (2020: nil). Trustees and employees alike are reimbursed for routine out-of-pocket expenses on behalf of the Church that are unrelated to their services.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

6 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Pastoral and ministry workers	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

Employment costs

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	34,942	33,667
Social security costs	92	98
Other pension costs	<u>6,502</u>	<u>12,005</u>
	<u>41,536</u>	<u>45,770</u>

There were no employees whose emoluments were £60,000 or more.

7 Related party transactions

During the year earmarked gifts to trustees and their related parties totalled £nil (2020: £5,000).

The aggregate donations received from Trustees and their related parties were £10,880 (2020: £11,482).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

8 Prior Year Fund Comparatives for the Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020 Total £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	73,124	17,558	90,682
Charitable activities	3,907	-	3,907
Interest	1,240	-	1,240
Total income	78,271	17,558	95,829
Expenditure on:			
Ministers and employees	42,825	5,000	47,825
Property	17,278	-	17,278
Children and youth	-	1,762	1,762
Mission grants	8,620	10,815	19,435
Equipment	-	558	558
Other expenditure	3,217	-	3,217
Total expenditure	71,940	18,135	90,075
Net income / (expenditure)	6,331	(577)	5,754
Transfers between funds	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	6,331	(577)	5,754



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Goring Free Church

On accounts for the year
ended

30 June 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1173630

Set out on pages

1 to 8

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission 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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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 Act or
- the accounts do 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.

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

Signed:

M. Richardson

Date:

08 October 2021

Name:

Mark Richardson

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Reading

RG30 2UB

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.