

Ebenezer Evangelical Church, Weymouth

Trustees Report

For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

Charity Registered in England and Wales Number: 1174581

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**Reference and Administrative Details
For the Year Ended 30 September 2021**

Trustees

Mr. G Peach
Mr. D Peach
Mr. N Barrow
Mr. C Davis
Mr. L Campos
Mrs. W Erskine
Mrs. S Read
Mr. T Young

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The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 30 September 2021.

Constitution, objects and policies

A new Charitable Incorporated Organisation was formed and registered with the Charity Commission on 11 September 2017. So, this report and accounts are for the fourth year as a charity from October 2020 to September 2021.

The objectives of Ebenezer Evangelical Church, Weymouth are to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public, serve the needs of the locality, to serve the people of Weymouth and the surrounding areas in Dorset as particular needs arise; and to support missionary work locally, in the UK and abroad; sending money for the relief of poverty and through education and economic development.

Committee and Management

Day to day management of the charity is in the hands of the leadership team, which meets once a month. The members of the leadership team are.

David Peach
Gordon Peach
Colin Davis
Edward Donald
Lelmer Campos (Secretary)
Timothy Young (Treasurer)

The Board of Trustees meets once a year and includes all the members of the leadership team, with the exception of Edward Donald, and the following additional members

Nick Barrow,
Wendy Erskine
Sharon Reed.

Investment Powers

The Constitution authorises the committee to use all money raised to further its objects and for no other purpose.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

We are active in our local community seeking to help our neighbours through friendship and social action. We provide activities for all ages and for all social groups. To this end each week we run a Coffee Morning; and Wednesday evening meeting for weekly prayer, Bible study or 'Missionary focus'. There is a weekly parent and toddler group and also a youth group.

We also host an apprentice working in schools with the Weymouth and Portland Pairs project team; provide an office and support for the local CAP centre manager. The church supports mission work in the UK and around the world, both prayerfully and financial, giving to London City Mission, Missionary Aviation Fellowship, The Open-Air Mission, Project Mozambique and others.

Risk management

The Trustees have examined the major strategic operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to highlight and lessen these risks.

Development, activities and achievements

Ebenezer Evangelical Church, Weymouth is a small, Dorset based charity weekly church services, Sunday school, weekly Bible study service, a children's group, youth group and community lunch at the church. Locally, the church also supports community work in the broader community in Weymouth and Portland through CAP, Street Pastors, the Pais project, Fleet Camps and working with other local churches through 'Refresh'. The church supports and contributes mission around the world, distributing Bibles through supporting the Bible Society and Good News for Everyone. Social work is supported through organisations such as Medical Missionary work, Missionary Aviation Fellowship and Myra's Wells. Myra's Wells work in north Africa to install wells for fresh water in villages where this is lacking.

Financial review

This year the trustees made the decision to change from reporting the accounts on an accrual basis to a receipts and payments system, and this has required an adjustment of the closing balance for September 2020 and the opening balance for this current year.

The charity generated income in the year of £28,318 (2020 - £28,242), and incurred expenditure of £31,267 (2020 - £45,324). This resulted in a deficit for the year of £2,949 (2020 - £17082)

Reserves policy

The Trustees aim to maintain free reserves of £30,000 held in the current and deposit account equivalent to a year of average giving to the general fund and including £10,000 to cover any possible urgent building repairs. These funds are to ensure that the Church activities can continue as planned in the case of unforeseen circumstances or a sudden reduction in regular giving. The level of reserves is reported to the leadership team monthly to ensure that spending decisions are made in accordance with this policy. The policy is reviewed annually.

Reserves currently held in excess of this are primarily due to the receipt of income that is unusual; these being received from the sale of Bethany Hall in 2017. Consideration is being given as to the best use of these funds.

COVID 19

This year has seen the closure of the church for Sunday services and unprecedented changes due to the COVID 19 pandemic and the second lockdown at the beginning of 2021. At the end of March, Sunday services, Wednesday evening and the other activities of the church were stopped. The apprentice supported by the church and working with the Pais team in Weymouth and Portland returned home to Germany. The members of the church supported one another, and a team was introduced to ensure that all members received a regular call and help as necessary. A church newsletter was produced and delivered weekly. Some services did resume during August and September following the initial lockdown; but with reduced numbers and the compulsory wearing of facemasks.

Statement of Trustee's responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

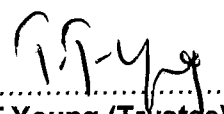
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.


The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed/constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approval

This report was approved by the Trustees on 27.7.22 and signed on their behalf by:


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T Young (Trustee)


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N Barrow (Trustee)



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Church Weymouth

(to the nearest
pound)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-Oct-20		30-Sep-21

	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					
Legacy Gift	1,715	575	-	2,290	-
Tithes and Offerings	16,325	4,048	-	20,373	22,490
Hire Fees	300	-	-	300	300
Interest	2,797	-	-	2,797	1,390
Gift Aid	2,558	-	-	2,558	4,062
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	23,695	4,623	-	28,318	28,242
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	23,695	4,623	-	28,318	28,242

A3 Payments

General

Accounting	1,770	-	-	1,770	-
Advert / Church Office / Printing	771	-	-	771	158
Catering	7	-	-	7	223
Cleaning	140	-	-	140	1,199
Equipment	-	-	-	-	705
Flowers	4	-	-	4	9
Church House Expenses	2,156	-	-	2,156	4,667
Insurance (House / Church)	1,474	-	-	1,474	1,253
Light Heat and Power	976	-	-	976	1,756
Miscellaneous / Sundries	30	-	-	30	137
Repairs Church	-	-	-	-	240
Repairs House	250	-	-	250	98
Salary / PAYE / Pension	17,132	-	-	17,132	-
Speakers Expenses	65	-	-	65	170
Subscriptions	564	-	-	564	629
Account/Service Charges	-	42	-	42	42

Community Fund

Community Expenses	-	-	-	-	2,144
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Special Projects

Latin Link	258	-	-	258	16,407
Pais	-	-	-	-	2,500
Youth Work	2,200	-	-	2,200	6,800
Youth Sundries	-	-	-	-	216

Mission - Home

Beach Mission (Open Air Mission)	-	100	-	100	100
Bible Society	-	100	-	100	100
C Spracklin	-	100	-	100	100
CCFON LTD	-	480	-	480	480
Counties	-	200	-	200	200
F Hudson	-	-	-	-	100
London City Mission	-	-	-	-	100
Open Doors	-	100	-	100	100
P G Glasgow	-	90	-	90	10
Partnership	-	100	-	100	-
Radio Bible Club (Our Daily Bread)	-	100	-	100	158
Retired Missionary Aid Fund (RMAF)	-	-	-	-	100
Refresh (CAP/Spring Into Life)	-	-	-	-	900
R Coles	-	100	-	100	200

SASRA	-	-	-	-	100
S Nathaniel	-	258	-	258	200
SA Gillham	-	500	-	500	500
United Christian Broadcasters (UCB)	-	100	-	100	100
W Randall	-	100	-	100	100
Miscellaneous / Sundries	-	-	#	-	25
Mission - International					
Barnabas Fund	-	100	-	100	100
Bringing Good News	-	100	-	100	-
Eagles Wings	-	100	-	100	100
Echoes International	-	-	-	-	1,100
Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF)	-	100	-	100	100
Myras Wells	-	200	-	200	100
R Oettinger	-	-	-	-	100
Project Mozambique	-	-	-	-	100
S Reed	-	-	-	-	300
Lifewords	-	100	-	100	100
Words of Life	-	200	-	200	100
Wycliffe Bible Translators	-	100	-	100	100
Sub total	27,797	3,470		31,267	45,324

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	27,797	3,470	-	31,267	45,324
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Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,102	1,153	-	- 2,949	- 17,082
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	267,181	4,439	-	271,620	288,702
Cash funds this year end	263,079	5,592	-	268,671	271,620

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	Kingdom Bank a/c 2001-00113-X	230,160	-	-
	HSBC Current 81840622	6,777	2,592	-
	HSBC Deposit 81840630	26,132	3,000	-
	Petty Cash	10	-	-
	Total cash funds	263,079	5,592	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets				
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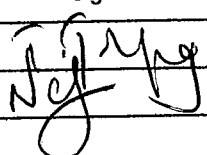
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Buildings	712,500	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Independent examination fee	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Tim Young	27.7.22
	Nicholas Barrow	27.7.22

EBENEZER EVANGELICAL CHURCH WEYMOUTH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF EBENEZER EVANGELICAL CHURCH WEYMOUTH

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2021.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of Ebenezer Evangelical Church Weymouth 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 Ebenezer Evangelical Church Weymouth'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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Ebenezer Evangelical Church Weymouth as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.


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Mrs S J Hough FCA

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Date: 28 JULY 2022