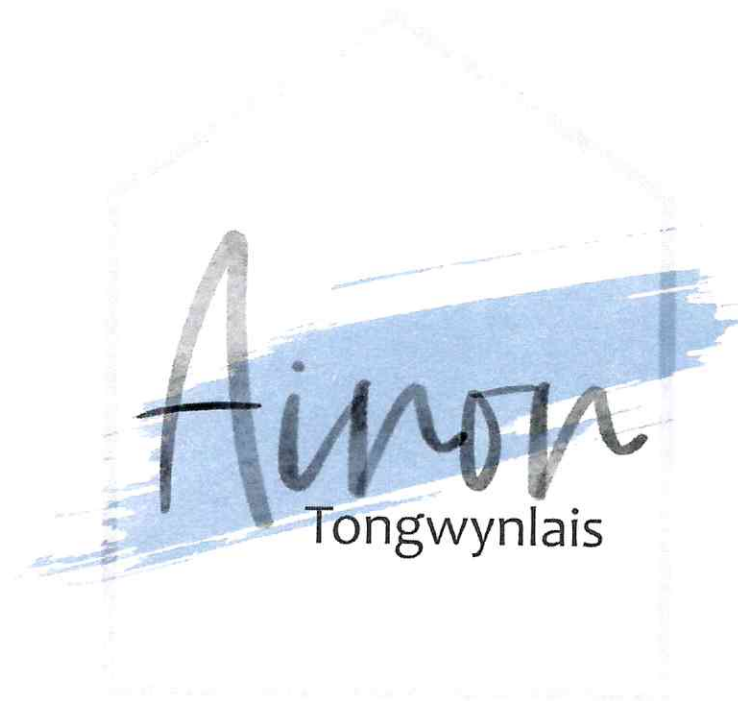


Ainon Baptist Church Trustees Annual Report 2020/2021



Registered Charity: 1176466

For the Year Ended September 2021

The trustees present their report for the year to September 2021.

1. Objectives and Activities

The overall objective of the charity is to promote the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination primarily through the North Cardiff area.

Ainon Baptist Church is committed to:

- Regular public worship, prayer, bible study, preaching and teaching
- Baptism, as defined in the Baptist Unions Declaration of Principle
- The communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month
- Evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally
- The teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people
- Nurture and growth of Christian disciples
- Education and training for Christian and Community Service
- Giving and encouraging pastoral care
- Supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the UK and abroad
- Encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptist and other Christians
- Providing an environment where individuals can grow and mature in their relationship with God and respond to His 'call' on their lives.

2. Achievements and Performance

The COVID pandemic has continued to affect us and forced us to make changes to our goals and activities and to adapt to a new way of working. During this time the trustees felt that this was a good time to push forward with our plans to renovate the rear church hall and build an extension to the side of the building to accommodate a new office and meeting rooms. The building work finally started in May 2021 with a build time of approximately 6 months. This left us without a physical church building to meet in during the build period.

However during this time we have still continued to work and provide benefits to the local community.

- Our regular Sunday morning church services were replaced by weekly Zoom meetings. At the end of these meetings break out rooms were provided where people could stay online and chat to each other to help stay connected. These continued until May 2021 when we started to meet again face to face in the Village Hall as the church was still a building site. The services were recorded and posted online for people to access who weren't ready to meet face to face.
- Our Foodbank collection centre remained open throughout the pandemic and the building work. Drop off points were adapted around the building work and both members of the Aiton community and those in the wider community consistently supported Foodbank despite the disruption. During this period we collected approximately 6 tonnes of food which supported and provided 4,695 meals to individuals and families in need. Work and meetings continued with plans to set up a distribution centre in 2022.
- In December 2020 the Aiton Lunch Club arranged for 15 Christmas food parcels to be distributed to the older members of the community. This was supported by donations of cupcakes from Plan 2 Ride.

- The youth group have been meeting on a Saturday evening in the village hall on a weekly basis. This has mainly been with the youth from the church and they have been engaging in worship practice evenings as well as games and fun. Over the summer a trip was arranged to a water park which involved members from the youth group in Ainon and their friends from outside of the church and in the local community.
- Our Ton's Tots baby and toddler group arranged informal meet ups in the local park. This was well attended when the weather permitted and enabled us to meet lots of new mums and be able to catch up with our existing parents and carers.
- In Easter 2021 we distributed 30 Easter craft activity packs to primary aged children from the village and beyond. The packs contained fun Easter craft, games, a chocolate treat and also included a booklet on the Easter message.
- We ran two online Alpha courses for 5 people.

All of these outreach activities wouldn't be possible without the support from our church members and volunteers who dedicate their time to serving others to impact our community for the good.

3. Safeguarding

Ainon Baptist Church has continued to subscribe to *Thirtyone:eight* and to use them as the umbrella organisation for the processing of Disclosure and Barring Service applications for volunteers and staff. Esther Brewer stepped down as our Safeguarding Officer in February 2021 and Joanne Dinsmore replaced her shortly afterwards.

4. Financial Review

Over the year, the Charity received income of £243,923 (£96,119 2020) with expenditure of £155,634 (£77,649 2020) and finished with a surplus of £88,476 (£18,470 2020). Most of the increased income came from grant and special gifts to finance the building project. The commencement of the building project accounted for the increased expenditure.

Regular expenditure fell once again due to the pandemic closing many activities. A significant increase in gift aid has been seen due to the gifts for the building project. Despite the pandemic, income from tithes held up compared to the previous year, but the weekly offering reduced once weekly meetings ceased.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in the light of the main risks to the organisation. Following a further review, it has been decided to hold reserves equal to at least five months' unrestricted running costs. Previously six months.

Trust Account

We hold a Trust Account with the Baptist Union where proceeds of the Manse sale are held. The current reserves held in the Trust Account at year-end is £49,345 (£99,731 2021). These have fallen as construction of the new extension and renovation of the church hall commenced.

Building Account

We have savings held in our Building Account of £190,770 (£52,765 2021) at year-end. The increase has been due to receipt of grants and gifts towards the building project. This money is held for the re-development of the church hall and extension.

5. Future Plans

Going forward we are keen to develop our plans to become a community hub within Tongwynlais. This will involve the re-development of our Church Hall and an extension to the side of the building to provide office and meeting room space.

We want to take the church into the community and to develop and open up our building for the community. We want our building to be fit for purpose as a welcoming and safe place, the first-place people look for help and community. A place for all in the village and villages around us to meet, gather and where support is available throughout the week.

We are planning to engage with key partners to help provide essential services to the community and discussions with Cardiff County Council, Foodbank and a number of Christian charities are ongoing.

We are doing all this for the deliberate and intentional purpose of making Jesus known, showing His love and declaring the gospel of grace in both word and action.

6. Structure, Governance and Management

Ainon Baptist Church is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and was registered as a Charity in January 2018.

Trustees are nominated to Elders and by Elders of Ainon Baptist Church which is done in an open and transparent process. Ainon Baptist Church members have the opportunity to vote to elect a Trustee for a 3 or 5 year term, with a potential to renew their term after this time. New trustees are sought to reflect the needs of the Church. In order to join as a trustee DBS clearance is checked and new trustees must sign up to all elements of the Confirmation of Trustee Appointment form. Gina Baynham was re-elected as a trustee in November 2020 and Graham Dubberley was re-elected as a trustee in June 2021 during the 2020-2021 year.

Each Trustee is given a copy of the Charity Commissions CC3 document which includes comprehensive details on the roles and responsibilities of trustees.

The charity employs one full time member and one part-time member of staff.

None of the Trustees receive fees or reimbursed expenses in respect of their trusteeship.

7. Reference and Administrative Details

Name and Charity Number:

Ainon Baptist Church

Registered Charity Number: 1176466

Registered Office:

Market Street

Tongwynlais

Cardiff

CF15 7NS

Trustees:

Tony Franks (Chair)

Graham Dubberley (Treasurer)

Gina Baynham (Secretary)

Phillip Lloyd

Mathew Phillips

Joanne Dinsmore

Leon Whittle

Independent Examiner:

Gemma Lloyd

75 Glenfelin Flats

Cardiff Road

Hawthorn

CF37 5LL

8. Trustees' Responsibilities in Relation to the Financial Statements

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:

Full Name: Tony Franks

Position: Chair

Date:

**AINON BAPTIST CHURCH
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
1 OCTOBER 2020 - 30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

INCOME	2020	2021	EXPENDITURE	2020	2021
Covenant giving	66,661	72,802	Employer costs (including salaries)	44,767	45,346
Offerings			Sundry pastor expenses	907	0
Loose offering	886	582			0
Envelopes	3,336	0	Gas, electric and water	2,659	1,471
Gift Aid			Council Tax	193	0
Building Gifts		11,312	Telephone	688	696
On covenant giving	17,657	21,353	Insurances	1,626	2,126
On envelopes / misc. donations / cash	799	186	Church maintenance	1,907	285
Church weekend			Mission	3,991	4,921
Christmas offering		290	Youth and Children's work	1,343	820
True Income	89,339	106,525			
Church weekend	449	0	Food Bank	200	340
Soul Survivor/Limitless	200	0	Pastoral	0	0
Food Bank	180	370	Worship	870	773
Hall Hire	190	0	Visiting preachers	250	0
Bank interest	535	217	Tons Tots	281	0
Tons Tots	225	0	Bud 'n' Talents	0	0
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Lunch Club	836	0	Friday Youth	327	30
Friday Youth	377	0	Church Weekend	1,206	0
Other donations	398	227	Soul Survivor/Limitless	2,642	0
Christmas Offering	1,634	1,329	Messy Church	277	0
Building Gift Days	0	68,070	Barbeque	0	0
Miscellaneous Income	1,756	852	Christmas Offering	1,950	1,619
Twmpath	0	0	Building works	5,140	93,019
Loans	0	0	Twmpath	0	0
Grants	0	66,550	Equipment	2,111	750
			Administration	2,163	3,392
			Sundry and miscellaneous costs	877	50
			Refreshments/Cleaning Materials	407	26
			Excess of income over expenditure	18,470	88,476
	<u>96,119</u>	<u>244,140</u>		<u>96,119</u>	<u>244,140</u>

Bank Accounts and Other Cash Balances

	Current account	Reserve account	Building account	Trust Account	Activities	Cash balances	TOTAL
Balances as 1 October 2020	1,071	35,012	52,765	99,731	815	20	189,414
Income	243,923				0	0	243,923
Expenditure	(155,634)			0	(30)	0	(155,664)
Interest		4	12	201	0	0	217
Net account transfers	(86,648)	(2,000)	137,993	(49,345)	0	0	0
Balances as at 30 September 2021	<u>2,712</u>	<u>33,016</u>	<u>190,770</u>	<u>50,587</u>	<u>785</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>277,890</u>
Baptist Union Loan							0
Balances as at 30 September 2021	<u>2,712</u>	<u>33,016</u>	<u>190,770</u>	<u>50,587</u>	<u>785</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>277,890</u>

Confirmed to be a true and accurate reflection of the church accounts

G. Dubberley
Graham Dubberley, Treasurer

09/11/21
Date

I confirm that I have undertaken a sample check and the accounts appear to be a true reflection as produced

G. Lloyd
Church Independent Verifier

09/11/21
Date



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Ainon Baptist Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30 September 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1176466

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30/09/2021**.

**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:

G. Lloyd

Date:

09/11/2021

Name:

Gemma Lloyd

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

Address:

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Cardiff Road

Hawthorn CF37 5LL

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.