

The Charity Registration Number is :- 1176501

New Covenant Church - Kent

Report and Accounts

31 December 2023

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023**

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023.

### **Reference and administrative details**

#### ***The charity name.***

The legal name of the charity is:- New Covenant Church - Kent

The charity is also known by its operating name,

#### ***The charity's areas operation and UK charitable registration.***

The charity is registered in England & Wales with the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) with charity number 1176501

#### ***Legal structure of the charity***

The charity is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in England & Wales. The governing document of the charity is the constitution of the CIO as approved by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) .

There are no restrictions in the governing documents on the operation of the Charity or on its investment powers other than those imposed by Charity Law.

The trustees are all individuals.

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The trustees who served as a trustee in the reporting period were as shown above, and there were no changes during the year, or in the period between the year end and the approval of the accounts.

All the trustees are also members of the charity.

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023**

### **Objects and activities of the charity**

#### ***The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document.***

"The objectives of the church are set out in the CIO document:

1.To advance the Christian Religion for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures, public celebration of religious festivals, producing and distributing literature on the Christian Faith to enlighten others about the Christian Religion.

2.To prevent and relieve poverty for the public benefit by providing funds, goods and services in such parts of the United Kingdom as the Trustees from time to time may think."

#### ***The main activities undertaken in relation to those purposes during the year.***

The principal activities of the charity are Christian worship and involvement of various ministries and ministers of Religion in propagating the Christian Tenets of faith to members (and non-members) who seek to develop an understanding of the Gospel through the various meetings provided by the Church. There is also an extension of the Christian Faith through other direct Community Outreach programmes.

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023**

### ***The main activities undertaken during the year to further the charity's purpose for the public benefit.***

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The Board of Trustees are pleased to report as follows:

#### **PUBLIC BENEFIT**

##### **The Advancement of Christian Faith**

The Trustees of the Charity having due regard for the reporting of public benefit provided by the Charity in line with the Charities Act 2011, are pleased to report that the church has continued its involvement with community focused events and projects providing direct benefit for the public in the UK

##### **.Place of Worship**

The Charity has continued its commitment to the promotion of the Christian Faith by leasing on a weekly basis a place in the centre of Streatham South West London to provide the public with the ongoing opportunity to attend Church services enabling them to grow and develop in the Christian faith, teachings and Principles.

The worship activities make provision for Christian Worship Services, teaching sessions, discipleship classes and prayer meetings throughout the week.

The Church also operates weekly meetings in different local locations for our discipleship and house fellowship classes, a practical strategy for using informal settings to advance Christianity in our communities.

##### **Evangelism**

Evangelism is a core value and outreach strategy of our Church to reach out to communities.

We distribute Christian Tracts in the community, speak to people in parks and public places about the Christian faith, provide light refreshments in parks, BBQ outreach in summer as we look to engage the community to drive forward the Christian faith. We also collaborate with local churches to promote picnics and summer family fun days where food and drinks are provided, and local Mayors join us as we promote Christianity in the community.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the charity. "

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023**

### **Structure, governance and management of the charity**

#### ***The methods used to recruit and appoint new charity trustees.***

##### Charitable Incorporated Organisation

In making the appointments, the CIO's governing document is checked to ensure that the new trustees are appointed in a proper and legal way.

Preferred candidates, with the required expertise and skill set, are identified and invited to be the first charity trustees. (Subject to formal vetting and approval by the full trustee board.)

Potential trustees are vetted. Checks are carried out to ascertain candidates have not been disqualified from acting as trustees, and candidates are asked to confirm in writing that this is the case.

Candidates are asked to consider and declare any existing or potential conflicts of interest.

Appropriate checks from the Disclosure and Barring Service are conducted.

In the light of the checks and declarations, the trustees decide to go ahead and formalise the appointment of new trustees.

Trustees meet and make a decision on the appointment of each new Trustee and the office they hold.

All new trustees are given a copy of the CIO's governing document and all relevant documents and guides from the Charity Commission.

All new trustees are introduced to the church and the office they hold.

#### ***The charity's organisational structure.***

##### Organisational Structure

The board of trustees works closely with the management team and other advisers who promote the objectives of the charity. The charity also collaborates with the New Covenant Charity 1004343 where our objectives align. The board of Trustees hold meetings throughout the year and direct the pastoral team to promote the policies, strategies, programmes and projects that are geared towards achieving the charity's objectives.

## Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023

### Financial review

#### *The charity's financial position at the end of the year ended 31 December 2023*

The financial position of the charity at 31 December 2023 and comparatives for the prior period, as more fully detailed in the accounts, can be summarised as follows:-

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Net income</b>	3,939	364
Called up share capital	-	-
Share premium account	-	-
Unrestricted Revenue Funds available for the general purposes of the charity	5,856	364
Unrestricted revaluation reserve	-	-
Designated Revenue Funds	(1,552)	-
Designated Fixed Asset Funds	-	-
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>4,304</b>	<b>364</b>
Restricted Revenue Funds	-	-
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	-	-
Restricted revaluation reserve	-	-
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>4,304</b>	<b>364</b>

#### *Financial review of the position at the reporting date, 31 December 2023 .*

The trustees consider the financial performance by the charity during the year to have been satisfactory.

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023**

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Notwithstanding the explicit requirement in the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the SORP 2005, in view of the fact that the SORP 2005 has been withdrawn, the Trustees determined to interpret this responsibility as requiring them to follow current best practice and prepare the accounts according to the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016), (The SORP), .

In particular, charity law requires the Trustees, if they prepare accounts on an accruals basis, to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to :-

- to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

The law requires that the trustees must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for the year.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with regulations made under the Charities Act 2011. 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 also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the statutory responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the Trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that , on the face of the report, there are no material inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 24 October 2024.

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Trustee

## **New Covenant Church - Kent**

### **Report of the Independent Accountant to the Trustees of the charity on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023**

We report on the financial statements of New Covenant Church - Kent for the year ended 31 December 2023, as set out on pages 12 to 20, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of the charity are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with charity law applicable within the jurisdiction of England & Wales and the accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016), (The SORP), published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW), effective January 2016, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 19, which framework constitutes the applicable United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

#### **Respective responsibilities of the directors and the accountant**

As described on page 9, you, the charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the Governing Document for the conducting of an audit. The Trustees also consider the charity to be exempt from the requirement to be subject to Independent Examination.

Our responsibility is to prepare accounts upon the basis of the information supplied to us, without conducting any formal scrutiny.

#### **No statement of opinion**

We have not carried out any audit procedures and have relied upon information supplied to us by the Trustees, and the information supplied by the Trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries, and consequently we do not express an audit or other assurance opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Signed:-**

**Theo Sehindemi - Independent Accountant**

Certified Financial Accountants

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This report was signed on 24 October 2024



**New Covenant Church - Kent - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023**

**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023**

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2023	2023	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income &amp; Endowments from:</b>				
Donations & Legacies	22,180	-	22,180	17,993
Charitable activities	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-
<b>Total income</b>	<b>22,180</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,180</b>	<b>17,993</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Raising funds	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	16,689	-	16,689	17,629
Other	-	-	-	-
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>16,689</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16,689</b>	<b>17,629</b>
Net gains on investments	-	-	-	-
<b>Net income for the year</b>	<b>5,491</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,491</b>	<b>364</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	<b>(1,552)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,552)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net income after transfers</b>	<b>3,939</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,939</b>	<b>364</b>
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses)</b>				
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>3,939</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,939</b>	<b>364</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:-</b>				
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>4,303</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,303</b>	<b>364</b>

All the prior year transactions were unrestricted items, and no further analysis is required

All activities derive from continuing operations

**New Covenant Church - Kent - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31  
December 2023**

**New Covenant Church - Kent - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023**

***Last year's SOFA - Analysis required by 4.2 of the SORP***

SORP Ref	Prior Year Unrestricted Funds	Prior Year Restricted Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£
	0		-
	364	0	364
<b>Income from:</b>			
Donations & Legacies	-	-	17,993
Charitable activities	-	-	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
<b>Total income</b>	-	-	17,993
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Raising funds	-	-	-
Charitable activities	-	-	17,629
Other	-	-	-
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditure</b>	-	-	17,629
Net gains on investments	-	-	-
<b>Net income for the year</b>	-	-	364
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-
<b>Net income after transfers</b>	-	-	364
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses)</b>	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	-	-	364
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	-	-	-
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	-	-	364

**All activities derive from continuing operations**

**New Covenant Church - Kent - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023**

**Statement of application of resources**

**New Covenant Church - Kent - Resources applied in the year ended 31 December 2023 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	3,939	364
Resources applied on functional fixed assets	(1,079)	-
Investment in programme related investments	-	-
Resources applied on Intangible assets	-	-
Resources applied on Heritage assets	-	-
<b>Net resources available to fund charitable activities</b>	<b>2,860</b>	<b>364</b>

**New Covenant Church - Kent - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023**

***Movements in funds***

**Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 December 2023**

**Revenue accumulated funds**

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Last year Total Funds 2022 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	364	-	364	-
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	5,491	-	5,491	364
	<b>5,855</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,855</b>	<b>364</b>
(From)/To unrestricted revenue funds	(1,552)	-	(1,552)	-
Net actuarial gains on defined pension benefit schemes	-	-	-	-
Costs of fundamental reorganisation or restructuring	-	-	-	-
Exceptional items	-	-	-	-
<b>Closing revenue funds</b>	<b>4,303</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,303</b>	<b>364</b>

***Designated funds***

**Designated revenue funds included within the unrestricted funds above**

	Total Funds 2023 £	Last year Total Funds 2022 £
At 1 January	-	-
Transfer (to)/from revenue accumulated funds	(1,552)	-
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>(1,552)</b>	<b>-</b>

***Summary of Funds***

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	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Last Year Total Funds 2022 £
Share capital and share premium	-	-	-	-
Revenue accumulated funds	5,855	-	5,855	364
Revenue designated funds	(1,552)	-	(1,552)	-
Fixed asset funds	-	-	-	-
Revaluation reserve fund	-	-	-	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>4,303</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,303</b>	<b>364</b>

**New Covenant Church - Kent - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023**

***Income and Expenditure account***

**New Covenant Church - Kent  
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 December 2023 as required  
by the Companies Act 2006**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b><i>Income</i></b>		
Income from operations	22,180	17,993
Realised Gains on the disposal of investments	-	-
Realised gains on disposals of social investments which are programme related	-	-
Gift aid donations received from subsidiary undertaking	-	-
Investment income		
Income from investments, other than interest receivable	-	-
Interest receivable	-	-
Other operating income	-	-
<b>Gross income in the year before exceptional items</b>	<b>22,180</b>	<b>17,993</b>
<b><i>Exceptional items:</i></b>		
Realised gains on disposals of tangible fixed assets held for the charity's own use	-	-
Realised gains on the disposal of intangible assets	-	-
Realised net actuarial gains on defined benefit schemes	-	-
Realised gains on disposals of heritage assets	-	-
Spare heading for realised gains and losses- replace with text	-	-
<b>Gross income in the year including exceptional items</b>	<b>22,180</b>	<b>17,993</b>
<b><i>Expenditure</i></b>		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	16,473	17,629
Depreciation and amortisation	216	-
<b>Total expenditure in the year</b>	<b>16,689</b>	<b>17,629</b>
<b>Extraordinary items</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net income before tax in the financial year</b>	<b>5,491</b>	<b>364</b>
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
<b>Net income after tax in the financial year</b>	<b>5,491</b>	<b>364</b>
Gift Aid donations made	-	-
<b>Retained surplus for the financial year</b>	<b>5,491</b>	<b>364</b>

All activities derive from continuing operations

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, the headings and subheadings used in the Income and Expenditure account have been adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's activities.

# **New Covenant Church - Kent - Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Intangible assets	-	-
Tangible assets	863	-
Heritage assets	-	-
Investments held as fixed assets	-	-
Social investments	-	-
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Stocks	-	-
Debtors	-	-
Investments held as current assets	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	3,441	364
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>3,441</b>	<b>364</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net current assets</b>	<b>3,441</b>	<b>364</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	-	-
Provisions for contingent assets	-	-
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Defined benefit pension scheme assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>The total net assets of the charity</b>	<b>4,304</b>	<b>364</b>

## New Covenant Church - Kent - Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-

There are no unanalysed prior period funds

### Restricted funds

Restricted Revenue Funds	-	-
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	-	-
Restricted Revaluation Reserve	-	-
	-	-

### Unrestricted Funds

Called up share capital	-	-
Share premium	-	-
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	5,856	364
Unrestricted Revaluation Reserve	-	-
	-	-

### Designated Funds

Designated Revenue Funds	(1,552)	-
Designated Fixed Asset Funds	-	-
	-	-

### Pension reserve

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### Total charity funds

4,304 364

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of charity legislation with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The Trustees are satisfied that, although the charity is not registered under the Companies Acts, if it were so registered, it would be eligible to prepare accounts in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

**T Fanijo**

Trustee

Approved by the board of trustees on 24 October 2024

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