

# River Church, Weycroft Hall

Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 March 2022

**River Church, Weycroft Hall**  
**LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	Weycroft Hall Weycroft Axminster Devon. EX13 7LL
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO Incorporated 6th March 2018 As amended 15th March 2022
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1177447
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	V.Turner P.Calderbank (resigned May 2021) R.Ray (resigned May 2021) M. Wallis C.Turner (resigned May 2021) M.Cavaciuti D.Rogers M.Russell (appointed May 2021) L.Russell (appointed May 2021)
NAMES OF BANKERS	Lloyds Bank Plc
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Jaimée Young Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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**River Church, Weycroft Hall**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022.

**Objects of the charity**

The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal objects, as set out in its governing document, are:

The advancement of the Christian faith for the public benefit, but not exclusively, by providing and establishing a training and retreat centre in the area of Axminster for the local community.

**Change of name**

During the year the trustees agreed to change the name from Weycroft Hall Ministries to "River Church, Weycroft Hall".

**Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements**

**Church Life**

We have had another excellent year, marked mainly by a slow return to normality following lockdown's associated with the Covid (19) pandemic. A fine summer & early autumn enabled Sunday meetings to continue in the gardens, including some great full-immersion baptisms in July. Slow return to the Hall started in October.

Bible teaching has been almost exclusively sequential passages, looking at John's gospel (Apr-Dec) and Acts (Jan-Mar). Opportunity has again been given to a large team of preachers, but the quality and diversity has been excellent.

The monthly Encounter nights have drawn Christians from quite a large region and have been powerful times of worship & prayer. River church itself has been slowly growing, partly by conversions and partly by people moving into our area and joining us and in some cases moving into our area in order to join us! Meetings are uplifting times and the church well-being, I would consider, to be very good indeed!

**Inter church cooperation and giving**

As a church we've been able to regularly support a new venture, Axe Valley Christians Against Poverty. Similarly we have continued to support RedTribe, a radical, but established, missionary work amongst the Massai people in Kenya which is overseen by 2 of our members.

**Outreach events**

We had a wonderful "End of Lockdown Summer Ball" in September, raising £1,713 for the local charity swimming pool. It was a fabulous opportunity to celebrate life with our community and we had plenty of superlative comments from people not used to the friendliness and welcome in our church.

It was followed by a community Bonfire and Fireworks evening on Nov 5th, with record crowds, with free hotdogs and hot chocolate! As a result of these events the church is getting better known in the locality and again we had a packed Carol service.

**Fireplace Youth Work**

Fireplace youth meetings have continued most Fridays with our part-time youth worker. He also arranged a youth week-end away in July and a night to a Christian youth event the following February. Both were very popular.

**Healing Centre Online and Sozo Ministry**

Similarly the Healing centre, on Zoom, or in person, and the Sozo ministry have both continued well. This theme of personal wholeness is core to our church and results both in personal freedom and relational well-being. There are very many encouraging testimonies.

**Life Groups**

3 Life groups have continued well throughout the year and provide a deeper level of relationship, ministry opportunity and personal support than is available on a Sun morning.

**Summary**

It has been a good year as the church adjusts to a new post-Covid- Lockdown era. We are aware that many churches suffered numerical loss as many members didn't come back to church. That has not been our experience, and we maintain a healthy culture of love, informality, relationship and a central honour and worship of Jesus.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

**Financial review**

During the year income increased by £18,845 to £45,532, and expenditure increased by £29,245 to £46,137. As a result the cash (total funds) held by the charity decreased by £605, to £31,102, of which all is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

**Reserves policy**

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £18,000 (which equates to about 6 months' of budgeted unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £31,102 and the charity is complying with its reserves policy.

**Governance**

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to a senior management team led by Vince and Clio Turner. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote, the chairman has the deciding vote in the event of a tie.

**Responsibilities of trustees**

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

**Approval**

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

Dominic Rogers

Date: 7th November 2022

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

### **TO THE TRUSTEES OF**

#### **River Church, Weycroft Hall**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Weycroft Hall Ministries ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2022 on pages 6 to 9 following.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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 2011 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 accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. 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.

Jaimée Young

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Date: 25th November 2022

River Church, Weycroft Hall

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

		Unrestricted Funds				
		General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	2022	2021
Notes		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income receipts</b>						
Donations and legacies		41,549	-		41,549	26,687
Event income				3,983	3,983	
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>41,549</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,983</u>	<u>45,532</u>	<u>26,687</u>
<b>Payments</b>						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	36,124	-	2,270	38,394	8,001
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	6,030	-	1,713	7,743	8,891
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>42,154</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,983</u>	<u>46,137</u>	<u>16,892</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before		- 605	-	-	605	9,795
Transfers between funds	5	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		- 605	-	-	605	9,795
Cash funds as at last year end		31,707	-		31,707	21,912
<b>Cash funds at this year end</b>	A	<u>31,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,102</u>	<u>31,707</u>

The notes on pages 8 - 9 form part of these accounts.

**River Church, Weycroft Hall**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted funds	2022	2021
		General funds	Designated funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>A Cash funds</b>						
Cash at bank with immediate access		31,102	-	-	31,102	31,707
		<u><b>31,102</b></u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>31,102</b></u>	<u><b>31,707</b></u>
<b>B Other monetary assets</b>						
Other debtors		1,507			1,507	-
Gift aid due to charity		5,000	-	-	5,000	3,000
		<u><b>6,507</b></u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>6,507</b></u>	<u><b>3,000</b></u>
<b>C Liabilities</b>						
<b>Falling due within one year</b>						
Taxes due		-	-	-	-	-
Fee for Independent Examination		480	-	-	480	420
		<u><b>480</b></u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>480</b></u>	<u><b>420</b></u>

**D Assets retained for charity's own use**

The charity does not hold any assets of material value.

**E Guarantees and secured debts**

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Dominic Rogers

Date: 7th November 2022

The notes on pages 8 - 9 form part of these accounts.



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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly</b>					
Staff costs	22,507	-	-	22,507	
Hire of premises	1,110	-	-	1,110	600
Youth and Children's work	5,780	-	-	5,780	6,130
Other Costs	6,727	-	-	6,727	1,271
Community event			2,270	2,270	
	<u>36,124</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,270</u>	<u>38,394</u>	<u>8,001</u>

3 Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others

Grants for:					
Overseas mission	5,040	-	-	5,040	3,790
Pastoral care	270	-	-	270	1,208
Relief of poverty	720	-	-	720	560
Education and training	-	-	-	-	3,333
Community event			1,713	1,713	
	<u>6,030</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,713</u>	<u>7,743</u>	<u>8,891</u>

The organisation supports individuals in the UK and organisations overseas in the relief of poverty, and education and training. Grants totalling £7,743 (2021: £8,891) have been made to 1 individual and 4 organisations (2021: 7 individuals and 2 organisations) during the period. The grants paid to overseas mission all relate to UK based charities who work overseas.

4 Transactions with related parties

Two of the trustees, Vince and Clio Turner (Clio resigned as trustee May 2021) own and live in Weycroft Hall, from which the organisation operates. They allow the organisation to use the premises for a charge to cover running costs, receiving £1,100 (2021: £600) in the period. Vince and Clio Turner are the lead pastors of the church and both received a salary of £9,000. The salary is for their roles as lead pastors, not as trustees for the church.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

5 Movement of funds

	Balance at 31 Mar 2021 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 Mar 2022 £
General funds	<u>31,707</u>	<u>41,549</u>	<u>- 42,154</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,102</u>
Restricted funds					
Local community fund		3,983	- 3,983		-
Mission Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Pastoral Care Fund		-		-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,983</u>	<u>- 3,983</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u>31,707</u>	<u>45,532</u>	<u>- 46,137</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,102</u>

The restricted fund relates to a local community fund raising (Summer Ball) event operated by the church for the benefit of the community. The surplus of £1,713 generated by the event was donated to the community swimming pool.