

# BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1178422

## Details

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**Other names** BAWTRY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2018-05-18

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL, PRIMARILY, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, WITHIN BAWTRY, THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBOURHOOD AND THROUGH OVERSEAS MISSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF FAITH.TO PURSUE CHARITABLE PURPOSES WHICH WILL, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES, PUT INTO PRACTICE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH AND BE OF BENEFIT TO ALL WITHOUT DISTINCTION.THESE PURPOSES MAY INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO THE PREVENTION AND RELIEF OF NEED, HARDSHIP AND SICKNESS; THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION; AND THE PROVISION OF SERVICES FURTHERING SOCIAL WELFARE, WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF THE RESIDENTS.

**Activities:** To advance the Christian Faith for the benefit of all primarily within Bawtry but also through overseas mission in accordance with the Statement of Faith.To pursue charitable purposes which will put into practice the Christian Faith and be of benefit to all including the relief of need hardship and sickness, the advancement of education and the provision of social welfare

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Doncaster

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£62,302	£81,712	-	-
2023-12-31	£66,203	£68,844	-	-
2022-12-31	£48,812	£77,455	-	-
2021-12-31	£74,183	£74,809	-	-
2020-12-31	£57,474	£72,089	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Dr GORDON DAVID WARNES		2018-05-02
IVOR CALVIN GREER		2018-05-02
Jonathan Redden		2021-06-30
PRISCILLA EMILY PERKINS		2018-05-02

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# Accounts

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**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

**Registered Charity Number 1178422**

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## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

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The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

#### **Reference and Administrative Details**

**Charity Number:** 1178422

#### **Trustees and Principal Officers:**

Gordon David Warnes	(Elder)
Priscilla Emily Perkins	(Independent Trustee)
Ivor Calvin Greer	(Elder until November 2023)
	Secretary to the Trustees
Jonathan Redden	(Independent Trustee)
	Chairman of the Trustees
Andrew Perkins	(Charity Treasurer)
Vacant	(Church Secretary)

#### **Secretary and Principal Address:**

Ivor Calvin Greer  
2-3 Pinders Court  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JA

#### **Treasurer:**

Dr. Andrew Perkins  
2-3 Pinders Court  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JA

#### **Independent Examiner:**

Catherine Gillian Walker  
24 Woodsett Walk  
Conisbrough  
Doncaster  
DN12 3BH

#### **Bankers:**

National Westminster  
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DN22 6DL

#### **Solicitors:**

Jones & Company  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JB

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024** **(continued)**

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#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

##### **Constitution:**

The current Constitution was approved at a meeting of church members on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Bawtry Community Church was given charitable status on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The charity is constituted as an Association Charitable Incorporated Organisation. It currently has 30 members. The current four Trustees are chosen from among the church members, with a maximum number being agreed from time to time by the membership. Consideration has been given to amending the constitution to allow for a limited number of “external” trustees who are not currently church members. They may serve for as long as they have the support of the membership and are appointed for an initial period of three years. At the end of a three-year term, they may be nominated for reappointment. Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits save the Pastor. The Trustees met four times throughout 2024.

##### **Organisational Structure and Management:**

The control, management and administration of the Church is by the Charity Trustees. The Pastor leads the activities of the Church with an emphasis on the leading of worship and prayer, the teaching of the Christian faith, the pastoral care of individuals and outreach into the community. Our pastor, Scott Seivewright, has been in post since the beginning of October 2023.

The Elders are responsible to God for the spiritual life of the Church, for prayer, teaching God’s word and pastoral care for members. Deacons assist with the business and practical affairs of the Church. Collectively these individuals form the Leadership Team. Church Members have reserved authority in the appointment and removal of a Pastor, the Charity Trustees, the Elders and Deacons and the appointment of the Treasurer and Secretary. This also applies to matters relating to church property and the closure of the church. They may also be consulted on other matters.

Bawtry Community Church is a member of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC) and of Rural Ministries. Both organisations provide support and helpful advice and have organised conferences and training events for the leaders and church members.

##### **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy:**

Our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy is reviewed each autumn and brought to the attention of the whole church at a “Safeguarding Sunday”. The Leadership Team recognises the need to provide a safe and caring environment for children, young people and vulnerable adults. The Leadership Team is committed to building constructive links with statutory and voluntary agencies involved in safeguarding, endorses all national and local safeguarding legislation and procedures and provides ongoing training for all its workers.

One of the trustees has a specific responsibility for oversight and liaison for safeguarding. A Safeguarding Co-ordinator and Deputy make up the Safeguarding Team. Details of who they are and how they can be contacted are on the website. Their photographs and contact details are also displayed on a notice in each venue where church activities are held. Also, there is a register of all persons working with children and vulnerable adults. This is kept up to date by “a lead recruiter” ensuring DBS clearance through Thirty-one-eight, our professional safeguarding advisers.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024** **(continued)**

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#### **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy:**

(continued)

Some years ago, we were informed by a member of BCC that they were facing an allegation of historic abuse from a relationship fifty years ago in another part of the UK. Guidance was sought from our safeguarding consultants, Thirtyone:eight, and a safeguarding contract drawn up between BCC and the person concerned. A prosecution was brought in the Crown Court in 2023 which resulted in a custodial sentence in April 2024. When the person is released in 2025, the trustees will consult with relevant authorities and follow appropriate advice.

#### **Objectives and Activities:**

##### **Objectives**

The key objectives of the charity are to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of all, primarily but not exclusively, within Bawtry, the surrounding neighbourhood and through overseas mission. We pursue charitable objectives which will, in the opinion of the trustees, put into practice the Christian faith and be of benefit to all without distinction. These objectives may include the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness, the advancement of education, the provision of services furthering social welfare with the objective of improving conditions for residents.

##### **Activities**

In order to fulfil these objectives, the charity engages in a range of activities, either unilaterally or with others in order to provide public benefit. Our activities include regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching, dedication of infants and the baptism of believers, regular services of Holy Communion, evangelism and mission, teaching, encouragement and inclusion of young people, the nurture and growth of Christian disciples, the education and training for Christian and community service, giving of pastoral care, encouraging charitable social action in the UK and abroad, encouraging and supporting other churches, the joining of a man and woman in Christian marriage and the service of Christian burial.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

##### **Events in 2024**

During 2024 we have been meeting on Sundays in Bawtry Town Hall (formerly, The New Hall). Sunday attendances have been steady throughout the year. Several new people have begun to attend regularly, while others have committed to join the church on a more formal basis.

On Sunday evenings a “younger adults” group has been meeting most weeks throughout the year. This is a less formal opportunity to meet up with those who want to dig into God’s word while taking account of their lived experiences of everyday interactions with friends, family and colleagues. This has been encouraging.

We continued our monthly Teatime Treats event for the over 60s. During 2024 we continued to use a programme called “Brain and Soul Boosting”. This was appreciated by participants who were able to contribute and participate. Numbers attending have been encouraging. We, also, had a special “Teatime Treats” in Bawtry Town Hall in December followed by our Candlelit Carol Service.

We repeated our popular “Bawtry by the Sea” event for the over 60s. This was facilitated by our Family & Community Worker (FCW) in July. This was open to all seniors and arranged in Bawtry Town Hall with a Biblical focus, activities, crafts, and the very-much appreciated traditional lunch of fish & chips.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024** **(continued)**

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#### **Achievements and Performance**

##### **Events in 2024** (continued)

During the first part of the year our FCW continued to organise support for parents and families through weekly activities. These included “Kingdom Kids” for primary school aged children on Sunday mornings; MadJam (Make a difference Jesus and me) for young people in their teens on Monday and Tuesday evenings. During term-times, we reached into local Primary Schools: an “ASK” (after school club) at Bawtry Mayflower; and a fortnightly assembly visit to Misson Primary School. We also take RE lessons at Misson School for Easter and Christmas and a “Moving On” event for year 6 as they prepare for “big school” after the summer term.

The contract for our Family and Community worker (FCW), Chrissy Hadley, came to an end in August 2024 when she moved to a new post with a Baptist Church in Derby. We are very grateful for her contribution to expanding BCC’s impact on our local community.

Since September, some of the activities previously organised by our FCW have had to be curtailed. But volunteers have taken over responsibility for others. This includes “Kingdom Kids” on Sunday mornings and the MadJam youth activity on Tuesday evenings (now renamed “The Hope Hub”). A young couple has taken on leadership of this group along with another faithful volunteer. They are supported on a regular basis by the Pastor.

The young people who regularly attend are able to join with activities organised by Youth for Christ for Doncaster churches’ youth groups a couple of times a year. These opportunities have been welcomed by the Bawtry young people.

Brew & Co, “a warm space” which started in 2023 continued throughout 2024. Hot drinks and snack lunches were provided by volunteers aimed especially for those living on their own. There is also an opportunity to reflect on a Bible verse and short comment.

During 2024, some members and attenders have met regularly on Saturday mornings to go out in pairs to homes throughout Bawtry distributing copies of a small colourful magazine called “Explore”. This is produced by “Good News for Everyone” (formerly known as The Gideons UK) and includes the text of Luke’s gospel. There have been good contacts and discussions with many and the magazine has been well received.

In late September we arrange our third “annual” visit to the seaside at Cleethorpes. This was much appreciated by families and older folk alike. During school holidays we have holiday clubs and family activities for many families with whom we have developed links during the year.

In these various ways, we have continued to reach out and helping the local community – families, young and older folk. This is one of our key objectives.

Looking beyond Bawtry (and overseas), our “Away Team” encouraged prayer and practical support for mission organisations: Pioneers UK (for work in India); ReachAcross (for a family working with West African folk in Birmingham); Doncaster Schools Workers Trust and Caring for Life (based in Leeds).

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024** **(continued)**

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#### **Financial Review:**

Continued committed giving by members of Bawtry Community Church has enabled the church to continue to meet its charitable objectives.

General income has increased by 12.86% to £56,061 (2023 – £49,671).

Designated donations have increased by 9.55% to £3,605 (2023 - £3,291).

General expenditure has increased by 84.68% to £59,734 (2023 - £32,344).

Undesignated general funds have decreased by 4.21% to £107,621 (2023 - £112,347).

Donations to other works have increased by 8.91% to £4,804 (2023 - £4,411).

Special fund designated for Outreach has decreased by 100% to £0 (2023 £14,684).

Total unrestricted funds have decreased by 15.28% to £107,621 (2023 - £127, 031).

General Income has increased by over £6k but there has been an increase in General Expenditure of over £27k which has resulted in a decrease in the undesignated general fund of 15.28% at the end of the financial year.

This has been caused by the continued planned decrease in the designated special fund due to the financing of the outreach worker for a further year. This contract concluded during 2024 when the designated fund was spent and the balance of the cost of the outreach worker until August 2024 was met from the unrestricted general fund as agreed by the Trustees.

#### **Reserves Policy:**

The charity has a clear policy on its reserves. Should funds in the current account together with undesignated reserve funds fall to 33% of budgeted expenditure for the financial year, a financial review would be triggered. This would seek to identify where cuts would need to be made. The current position is satisfactory as it meets our criteria.

#### **Plans for the Future:**

We continue to build on the different formats which we used in 2022 including the use of Zoom, YouTube and social media. We hope to develop a more hybrid approach in the coming year.

We will prepare a Strategic Plan setting out objectives for growth (both maturing and deepening of faith and in numbers – especially of younger families – attending). The plan will be adapted as the Church develops and Pastor Scott takes account of the church attenders and the needs of our local community.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024** **(continued)**

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#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard (FRSSE) 2015.

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.

**I. Greer – Secretary**

**Dated: April**

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES OF BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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I report on the accounts of Bawtry Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024, which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charity's Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charity's Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charity's Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

I report in respect of my examination of the Accounts, and state that in connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charity's Act:
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charity's (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter to be considered as part of this independent examination: or

(2) 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.

**Signed:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Date:** April

**Name:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Address:** 24, Woodsett Walk,  
Conisbrough,  
Doncaster,  
DN12 3BH.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Funds 2024
	General	Designated			
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant /gift aid	31,273	-	-	-	31,273
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	3,605	-	-	3,605
Gift Aid claimed	7,602	488	-	-	8,090
Collections & other gifts	11,100	571	-	-	11,671
HMRC NIC allowance	3,105	1,321	-	-	4,426
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-	-
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	343	-	-	-	343
Liquidity Managers 35 day Account	993	-	-	-	993
Yorkshire Building Society	1,645	256	-	-	1,901
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>56,061</b>	<b>6,241</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>62,302</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	36,908	17,147	-	-	54,055
Pulpit supply	-	-	-	-	-
Children's and young people's work	333	-	-	-	333
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates	7,301	-	-	-	7,301
Utilities	1,581	-	-	-	1,581
Room Hire	3,838	-	-	-	5,419
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Minister's/Office expenses	562	-	-	-	562
Outreach expenses	-	654	-	-	654
Leadership training	343	-	-	-	343
Printing and publicity	400	-	-	-	400
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	-	-	-	-	-
Accountancy charges	275	-	-	-	275
Thirtyoneeight	261	-	-	-	261
CCL copyright licence	288	-	-	-	288
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work	1,224	4,177	-	-	5,401
Insurance/subscriptions	429	-	-	-	429
Other gifts	-	-	-	-	-
Home missions	368	-	-	-	368
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	4,804	-	-	-	4,804
Sundry expenses	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>58,915</b>	<b>21,978</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>80,893</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	819	-	-	-	819
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>59,734</b>	<b>21,978</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>81,712</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>(3,673)</b>	<b>(15,737)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(19,410)</b>
Transfer between funds	(1,052)	1,052	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	(4,725)	(14,685)	-	-	(19,410)
Cash funds brought forward	112,346	14,685	-	-	127,031
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2024</b>	<b>107,621</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>107,621</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

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<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	1,069	-	-	-	1,069
Reserve Account	15,874	-	-	-	15,874
Liquidity Manager 35 day Accou	31,810	-	-	-	31,810
Yorkshire Building Society	58,868	-	-	-	58,868
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b><u>107,621</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>107,621</u></b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	<u>2,227</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,227</u>

#### **Assets retained for the charity's own use**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	-
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	-
2020 Screen Hope Centre	Unrestricted - General	507	253
2023 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	549	366
2024 TV for Hope Centre	Unrestricted - General	441	397
2024 New Projector	Unrestricted - General	378	340
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b><u>1,356</u></b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When paid</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<u>350</u>	Feb. 20th, 2025

Approved by the Trustees on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

and signed on their behalf by:

Ivor Greer Secretary

Gordon David Warnes Trustee

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Endowment Fund		Total Funds
	General	Designated			2023
RECEIPTS		£	£	£	£
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant /gift aid		30,046	-	-	30,046
Designated gifts/gift aid		-	3,291	-	3,291
Gift Aid claimed		7,074	682	-	7,756
Collections & other gifts		10,241	9,635	-	19,876
HMRC NIC allowance		825	2,286	-	3,111
Sundry Income		-	-	-	-
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account		411	-	-	411
Liquidity Managers 35 day Account		709	-	-	709
Yorkshire Building Society		365	638	-	1,003
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>49,671</b>	<b>16,532</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>66,203</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs		9,275	28,536	-	37,811
Pulpit supply		2,100	-	-	2,100
Children's and young people's work		791	-	-	791
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates		4,277	3,000	-	7,277
Utilities	1,560				
Room Hire	4,130	5,690	-	-	5,690
Volunteer expenses		27	-	-	27
Minister's expenses		770	-	-	770
Outreach expenses		-	3,331	-	3,331
Leadership training		-	-	-	-
Conference expenses		1,250	-	-	1,250
Printing and publicity		480	-	-	480
Web site		-	-	-	-
Technology		368	-	-	368
Accountancy charges		275	-	-	275
Thirtyoneeight		170	-	-	170
CCL copyright licence		276	-	-	276
Bank charges		-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work		1,128	1,633	-	2,761
Insurance/subscriptions		413	-	-	413
Other gifts		-	-	-	-
Home missions		94	-	-	94
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work		4,411	-	-	4,411
Sundry expenses		-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>31,795</b>	<b>36,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>68,295</b>
Asset and Investment purchases		549	-	-	549
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>32,344</b>	<b>36,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>68,844</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>		<b>17,327</b>	<b>(19,968)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,641)</b>
Transfer between funds		643	(643)	-	-
Net movement in funds in year		17,970	(20,611)	-	(2,641)
Cash funds brought forward		94,376	35,296	-	129,672
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2023</b>		<b>112,346</b>	<b>14,685</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>127,031</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES** **AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	4,815	-	-	-	4,815
Reserve Account	34,432	-	-	-	34,432
Liquidity Manager 35 day Accou	30,816	-	-	-	30,816
Yorkshire Building Society	42,283	14,685	-	-	56,968
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>112,346</b>	<b>14,685</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>127,031</b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	1,930	186	-	-	2,116

#### **Assets retained for the charity's own use**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	-
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	-
2020 Screen for Hope Cen	Unrestricted - General	507	304
2023 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	549	549
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>853</b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<b>275</b>	

**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1178422

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**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

**Registered Charity Number 1178422**

**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

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The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.

#### **Reference and Administrative Details**

**Charity Number:** 1178422

#### **Trustees and Principal Officers:**

Gordon David Warnes	(Elder)
Priscilla Emily Perkins	(Independent Trustee)
Ivor Calvin Greer	(Elder until November 2023)
	Secretary to the Trustees
Jonathan Redden	(Independent Trustee)
	Chairman of the Trustees
Andrew Perkins	(Charity Treasurer)
Vacant	(Church Secretary)

#### **Secretary and Principal Address:**

Ivor Calvin Greer  
2-3 Pinders Court  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JA

#### **Treasurer:**

Dr. Andrew Perkins  
2-3 Pinders Court  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JA

#### **Independent Examiner:**

Catherine Gillian Walker  
24 Woodsett Walk  
Conisbrough  
Doncaster  
DN12 3BH

#### **Bankers:**

National Westminster  
21 the Square  
Retford  
DN22 6DL

#### **Solicitors:**

Jones & Company  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JB

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023** **(continued)**

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#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

##### **Constitution:**

A new Constitution was agreed and approved at a meeting of church members on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018. This was duly submitted to the Charity Commission and approved as our Governing Document. Bawtry Community Church was given charitable status on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The charity is constituted as an Association Charitable Incorporated Organisation consisting of 30 members. Trustees are chosen from among the church members, with a maximum number being agreed from time to time by the membership. They may serve for as long as they have the support of the membership and are appointed for an initial period of three years. At the end of a three-year term, they may be nominated for reappointment. Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits save the Pastor. The Trustees met four times throughout 2023.

##### **Organisational Structure and Management:**

The control, management and administration of the Church is by the Charity Trustees. The Pastor leads the activities of the Church with an emphasis on the leading of worship and prayer, the teaching of the Christian faith, the pastoral care of individuals and outreach into the community. During 2023, we were advertising to find a new pastor and Scott Seivewright was appointed from the beginning of October 2023.

The Elders are responsible to God for the spiritual life of the Church, for prayer, teaching God's word and pastoral care for members. Deacons assist with the business and practical affairs of the Church. Collectively these individuals form the Leadership Team. Church Members have reserved authority in the appointment and removal of a Pastor, the Charity Trustees, the Elders and Deacons and the appointment of the Treasurer and Secretary. This also applies to matters relating to church property and the closure of the church. They may also be consulted on other matters.

Bawtry Community Church is a member of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches and of Rural Ministries. Both organisations provide support and helpful advice.

##### **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy:**

Our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy was reviewed in September 2022 and brought to the attention of the whole church at a "Safeguarding Sunday". The Leadership Team recognises the need to provide a safe and caring environment for children, young people and vulnerable adults. The Leadership Team is committed to building constructive links with statutory and voluntary agencies involved in safeguarding, endorses all national and local safeguarding legislation and procedures and provides ongoing training for all its workers.

A Safeguarding Co-ordinator and Deputy make up the Safeguarding Team. Details of who they are and how they can be contacted are on the website. Their photographs and contact details are also displayed on a notice in each venue where church activities are held. Also, there is a register of all persons working with children and vulnerable adults. This is kept up to date by a lead recruiter ensuring DBS clearance through Thirty-one-Eight, our professional safeguarding advisers.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023** **(continued)**

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#### **Objectives and Activities:**

##### **Objectives**

The key objectives of the charity are to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of all, primarily but not exclusively, within Bawtry, the surrounding neighbourhood and through overseas mission. We pursue charitable objectives which will, in the opinion of the trustees, put into practice the Christian faith and be of benefit to all without distinction. These objectives may include the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness, the advancement of education, the provision of services furthering social welfare with the objective of improving conditions for residents.

##### **Activities**

In order to fulfil these objectives, the charity engages in a range of activities, either unilaterally or with others in order to provide public benefit. Our activities include regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching, dedication of infants and the baptism of believers, regular services of Holy Communion, evangelism and mission, teaching, encouragement and inclusion of young people, the nurture and growth of Christian disciples, the education and training for Christian and community service, giving of pastoral care, encouraging charitable social action in the UK and abroad, encouraging and supporting other churches, the joining of a man and woman in Christian marriage and the service of Christian burial.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

##### **Events in 2023**

During 2023 we have been meeting on Sundays in The New Hall. At the beginning of the year we observed covid guidelines using masks & sanitisers, having an attendance register, sitting around tables and serving drinks at tables after the service.

Sunday attendances have been growing with as many as 60 on some weeks. Several new people have begun to attend regularly, while others have committed to join the church on a more formal basis.

We continued our monthly afternoon tea event for the over 60s. During 2023 we used a programme called "Brain and Soul Boosting". This was appreciated by participants and numbers of those attending increased during the year. We, again, had a special "Teatime Treats" in the New Hall in December followed by our Candlelit Carol Service.

We also repeated our popular "Bawtry by the Sea" event for the over 60s in August. This was open to all seniors and arranged in The New Hall with a Biblical focus, activities, crafts, and a traditional lunch of fish & chips.

The contract for our Family and Community worker (FCW), Chrissy Hadley, was further extended to October 2024. During the year our FCW continued to organise support for parents and families through weekly activities. These included "Kingdom Kids" for primary school aged children on Sunday mornings; MadJam (Make a difference Jesus and me) for young people in their teens on Monday and Tuesday evenings. During term-times, we reach into local Primary Schools: an "ASK" (after school club) at Bawtry Mayflower; and a fortnightly assembly visit to Misson Primary School. We also take RE lessons at Misson School for Easter and Christmas and a "Moving On" event for year 6 as they prepare for "big school" after the summer term.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022** **(continued)**

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#### **Achievements and Performance**

##### **Events in 2023**

We also started “a warm space” in 2023 when light lunches were available aimed especially for those living on their own. This has continued with up to six “regulars” meeting for a hot drink and snack and a chat. Our Families & Community Worker also organised a parenting group for parents of children with special needs.

In late September we arrange our third “annual” visit to the seaside at Cleethorpes. This was much appreciated by families and older folk alike.

During school holidays we have holiday clubs and family activities for many families with whom we have developed links during the year.

In these various ways, we have continued to reach out and helping the local community – families, young and older folk. This is one of our key objectives.

Looking beyond Bawtry (and overseas), our “Away Team” encouraged prayer and practical support for mission organisations: Pioneers UK (for work in India); ReachAcross (for a family in Mali); Doncaster Schools Workers Trust and Caring for Life (based in Leeds).

##### **Financial Review:**

Continued committed giving by members of Bawtry Community Church has enabled the church to continue to meet its charitable objectives.

General income has increased by 18.6% to £49,671 (2022 – £41,881).

Designated donations have increased by 28.52% to £3,291 (2022 - £2,561).

General expenditure has decreased by 17.4% to £32,344 (2022 - £39,157).

Undesignated general funds have increased by 17.97% to £112,347 (2022 - £94,376).

Donations to other works have decreased by 33.77% to £4,411 (2022 - £6,660).

Special fund designated for Outreach has decreased by 58.4% to £14,684 (2022 £35,296).

Total unrestricted funds have decreased by 2.04% to £127,031 (2022 - £129,672).

General Income has increased by nearly £8k while there has been a decrease in General Expenditure of nearly £7k. This resulted in an increase in the undesignated general fund of 17.97% at the end of the financial year.

There has been the continued planned decrease in the designated special fund due to the financing of the outreach worker for a further year. This contract will be concluded during 2024 when the designated fund will be spent.

##### **Reserves Policy:**

The charity has a clear policy on its reserves. Should funds in the current account together with undesignated reserve funds fall to 33% of budgeted expenditure for the financial year, a financial review would be triggered. This would seek to identify where cuts would need to be made. The current position is satisfactory as it meets our criteria.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023** **(continued)**

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#### **Plans for the Future:**

We continue to build on the different formats which we used in 2022 including the use of Zoom, YouTube and social media. We hope to develop a more hybrid approach in the coming year.

We will prepare a Strategic Plan setting out objectives for growth (both maturing and deepening of faith and in numbers – especially of younger families – attending). The plan will be adapted as the Church develops and our new pastor begins to know the church attenders and the needs of our local community.

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard (FRSSE) 2015.

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.

#### **I. Greer – Secretary**

**Dated: April 24<sup>th</sup> 2024**

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES OF BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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I report on the accounts of Bawtry Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023, which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charity's Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charity's Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charity's Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

I report in respect of my examination of the Accounts, and state that in connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charity's Act:
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charity's (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter to be considered as part of this independent examination: or

(2) 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.

**Signed:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Date:** April 25<sup>th</sup> 2024

**Name:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Address:** 24, Woodsett Walk,  
Conisbrough,  
Doncaster,  
DN12 3BH.

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## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

	Unrestricted		Restricted Endowment		Total Funds 2023
	General	Designated	Fund	Fund	
RECEIPTS	£	£	£	£	£
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant /gift aid	30,046	-	-	-	30,046
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	3,291	-	-	3,291
Gift Aid claimed	7,074	682	-	-	7,756
Collections & other gifts	10,241	9,635	-	-	19,876
HMRC NIC allowance	825	2,286	-	-	3,111
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-	-
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	411	-	-	-	411
Liquidity Managers 35 day Account	709	-	-	-	709
Yorkshire Building Society	365	638	-	-	1,003
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>49,671</b>	<b>16,532</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>66,203</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	9,275	28,536	-	-	37,811
Pulpit supply	2,100	-	-	-	2,100
Children's and young people's work	791	-	-	-	791
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates	4,277	3,000	-	-	7,277
Utilities	1,560	-	-	-	-
Room Hire	4,130	5,690	-	-	5,690
Volunteer expenses	27	-	-	-	27
Minister's expenses	770	-	-	-	770
Outreach expenses	-	3,331	-	-	3,331
Leadership training	-	-	-	-	-
Conference expenses	1,250	-	-	-	1,250
Printing and publicity	480	-	-	-	480
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	368	-	-	-	368
Accountancy charges	275	-	-	-	275
Thirtyoneeight	170	-	-	-	170
CCL copyright licence	276	-	-	-	276
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work	1,128	1,633	-	-	2,761
Insurance/subscriptions	413	-	-	-	413
Other gifts	-	-	-	-	-
Home missions	94	-	-	-	94
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	4,411	-	-	-	4,411
Sundry expenses	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>31,795</b>	<b>36,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>68,295</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	549	-	-	-	549
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>32,344</b>	<b>36,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>68,844</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>17,327</b>	<b>(19,968)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,641)</b>
Transfer between funds	643	(643)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	17,970	(20,611)	-	-	(2,641)
Cash funds brought forward	94,376	35,296	-	-	129,672
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2023</b>	<b>112,346</b>	<b>14,685</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>127,031</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES** **AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	4,815	-	-	-	4,815
Reserve Account	34,432	-	-	-	34,432
Liquidity Manager 35 day Accou	30,816	-	-	-	30,816
Yorkshire Building Society	42,283	14,685	-	-	56,968
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>112,346</b>	<b>14,685</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>127,031</b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	1,930	186	-	-	2,116

#### **Assets retained for the charity's own use**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	-
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	-
2020 Screen for Hope Cen	Unrestricted - General	507	304
2023 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	549	549
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>853</b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
Liabilities			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<b>275</b>	

Approved by the Trustees on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

and signed on their behalf by:

Ivor Greer	Secretary
Gordon David Warnes	Trustee

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Funds
	General	Designated			2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant /gift aid	26,406	-	-	-	26,406
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	2,561	-	-	2,561
Gift Aid claimed	6,387	822	-	-	7,209
Collections & other gifts	8,490	770	-	-	9,260
HMRC NIC allowance	321	2,240	-	-	2,561
Sundry Income	-	182	-	-	182
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	78	-	-	-	78
Liquidity Managers 35 day Account	108	-	-	-	108
Yorkshire Building Society	91	356	-	-	447
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>41,881</b>	<b>6,931</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>48,812</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	8,321	27,459	-	-	35,780
Pulpit supply	1,335	-	-	-	1,335
Children's and young people's work	1,483	-	-	-	1,483
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates	4,369	3,000	-	-	7,369
Utilities	1,395	-	-	-	1,395
Room Hire	<u>3,178</u>	4,573	-	-	4,573
Volunteer expenses	178	-	-	-	178
Minister's expenses	2,215	-	-	-	2,215
Outreach expenses	-	4,302	-	-	4,302
Leadership training	-	-	-	-	-
Conference expenses	1,365	-	-	-	1,365
Printing and publicity	440	-	-	-	440
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	170	-	-	-	170
Accountancy charges	250	-	-	-	250
Thirtyoneeight	5,540	-	-	-	5,540
CCL copyright licence	258	-	-	-	258
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work	1,032	3,537	-	-	4,569
Insurance/subscriptions	373	-	-	-	373
Other gifts	504	-	-	-	504
Home missions	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	6,660	-	-	-	6,660
Sundry expenses	91	-	-	-	91
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>39,157</b>	<b>38,298</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>77,455</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>39,157</b>	<b>38,298</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>77,455</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>2,724</b>	<b>(31,367)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(28,643)</b>
Transfer between funds	616	(616)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	3,340	(31,983)	-	-	(28,643)
Cash funds brought forward	91,036	67,279	-	-	158,315
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2022</b>	<b>94,376</b>	<b>35,296</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>129,672</b>

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**COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

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<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	9,856	(278)	-	-	9,578
Reserve Account	34,129	-	-	-	34,129
Liquidity Manager 35 day Accou	30,000				
Yorkshire Building Society	20,391	35,574	-	-	55,965
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>94,376</b>	<b>35,296</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>129,672</b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	1,492	46	-	-	1,538

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

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	-
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	-
2020 Screen for Hope Cen	Unrestricted - General	507	355
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>355</b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
Liabilities			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<b>275</b>	

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## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

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The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.

#### **Reference and Administrative Details**

**Charity Number:** 1178422

#### **Trustees and Principal Officers:**

Gordon David Warnes	(Elder)	
Priscilla Emily Perkins	(Deacon)	
Ivor Calvin Greer	(Pastor)	
	Secretary to the Trustees	
Jonathan Redden	(Independent Trustee)	
	Chairman of the Trustees	
Alan Merrick	(Independent Trustee)	resigned October 2022
Andrew Perkins	(Charity Treasurer)	
Sharon Copperwheat	(Church Secretary)	

#### **Secretary and Principal Address:**

Ivor Calvin Greer  
2-3 Pinders Court  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JA

#### **Treasurer:**

Dr. Andrew Perkins  
2-3 Pinders Court  
High Street  
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DN10 6JA

#### **Independent Examiner:**

Catherine Gillian Walker  
24 Woodsett Walk  
Conisbrough  
Doncaster  
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#### **Bankers:**

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DN22 6DL

#### **Solicitors:**

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High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JB

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022** **(continued)**

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#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

##### **Constitution:**

A new Constitution was agreed and approved at a meeting of church members on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018. This was duly submitted to the Charity Commission. The Commission approved the Constitution as our Governing Document and Bawtry Community Church was given charitable status on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The charity is constituted as an Association Charitable Incorporated Organisation consisting of 30 members. Trustees are chosen from among the church members, with a maximum number being agreed from time to time by the membership. They may serve for as long as they have the support of the membership and are appointed for an initial period of three years. At the end of a three-year term, they may be nominated for reappointment. Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits save the Pastor. The Trustees met six times throughout 2022.

##### **Organisational Structure and Management:**

The control, management and administration of the Church is by the Charity Trustees. The Pastor leads the activities of the Church with an emphasis on the leading of worship and prayer, the teaching of the Christian faith, the pastoral care of individuals and outreach into the community. The three-year term for our previous pastor ended in August 2022. We are currently advertising to find a replacement.

The Elders are responsible to God for the spiritual life of the Church, for prayer, teaching God's word and pastoral care for members. Deacons assist with the business and practical affairs of the Church. Collectively these individuals form the Leadership Team. Church Members have reserved authority in the appointment and removal of a Pastor, the Charity Trustees, the Elders and Deacons and the appointment of the Treasurer and Secretary. This also applies to matters relating to church property and the closure of the church. They may also be consulted on other matters.

Bawtry Community Church is a member of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches and Rural Ministries. Both organisations provide support and helpful advice.

##### **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy:**

Our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy was reviewed in September 2021 and brought to the attention of the whole church at a "Safeguarding Sunday". The Leadership Team recognises the need to provide a safe and caring environment for children, young people and vulnerable adults. The Leadership Team is committed to building constructive links with statutory and voluntary agencies involved in safeguarding, endorses all national and local safeguarding legislation and procedures and provides ongoing training for all its workers.

A Safeguarding Co-ordinator and Deputy make up the Safeguarding Team. Details of who they are and how they can be contacted are on the website. They are also displayed in each venue where church activities are held. Also, a register is kept of all persons working with children and vulnerable adults is kept ensuring up-to-date DBS clearance.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022** **(continued)**

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#### **A public statement by BCC Trustees regarding a Safeguarding Review**

In March 2022, the Trustees commissioned an independent review of the operation of safeguarding standards from 2008 to 2021 and the circumstances are set out in the following statement which was published in Bawtry in March 2023. Local people who may have been affected *at church activities* during this time were invited to get in touch (by confidential email) with one of the two trustees who worked on the review:

*In 2021, a former member of the church was released from prison after serving 7 years having been found guilty of sexual offences in his professional capacity. The terms of his release permanently barred his living in or visiting Bawtry.*

*In 2022, the BCC Trustees received a formal complaint about how the church had dealt with this matter while this person was under investigation and then while he was serving his sentence.*

*As a result, the Trustees commissioned an independent review by Thirtyone:eight. This is one of the leading safeguarding organisations in the UK and is widely used for Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks.*

*The Trustees, having considered the findings of the independent review, fully accepted the recommendations of the report. These were shared with both BCC members and then at a subsequent open Sunday service. They can be found also under the "Safeguarding" tab of the BCC Website see <[www.bawtrycommunitychurch.org](http://www.bawtrycommunitychurch.org)>*

#### **Objectives and Activities:**

##### **Objectives**

The key objectives of the charity are to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of all, primarily but not exclusively, within Bawtry, the surrounding neighbourhood and through overseas mission. We pursue charitable objectives which will, in the opinion of the trustees, put into practice the Christian faith and be of benefit to all without distinction. These objectives may include the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness, the advancement of education, the provision of services furthering social welfare with the objective of improving conditions for residents.

##### **Activities**

In order to fulfil these objectives, the charity engages in a range of activities, either unilaterally or with others in order to provide public benefit. Our activities include regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching, dedication of infants and the baptism of believers, regular services of Holy Communion, evangelism and mission, teaching, encouragement and inclusion of young people, the nurture and growth of Christian disciples, the education and training for Christian and community service, giving of pastoral care, encouraging charitable social action in the UK and abroad, encouraging and supporting other churches, the joining of a man and woman in Christian marriage and the service of Christian burial.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022** **(continued)**

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#### **Achievements and Performance**

##### **Events in 2022**

During 2022 we have been meeting on Sundays in The New Hall. We observed covid guidelines using masks & sanitisers, having an attendance register, sitting around tables and serving drinks at tables after the service. Sunday attendances have been encouraging with an average of the low 30s and some new people have joined regularly. We joined with the other Bawtry Churches in St Nicholas for several special Sundays. These included a service to give thanks for the Platinum Jubilee of our late Queen in June and a Remembrance Sunday service on 12<sup>th</sup> November.

Ivor Greer completed his three-year term as pastor at the end of August 2022. It was decided that we would advertise for a new pastor and this process was still on-going at the end of the year. We resumed our monthly afternoon tea for the over 60s and had a special "Teatime Treats" in the New Hall in December followed by our Candlelit Carol Service.

The contract for our Family and Community worker (FCW), Chrissy Hadley, was further extended to 2024. During the year our FCW continued to organise support for parents and families through weekly activities. These included "Kingdom Kids" for primary school aged children on Sunday mornings; MadJam (Make a difference Jesus and me) for young people in their teens on Monday and Tuesday evenings. During term-times, we reach into local Primary Schools: an "ASK" (after school club) at Bawtry Mayflower; and a fortnightly assembly visit to Misson. In this way, we have continued to advance one of our key objectives by reaching out and helping the local community.

The Away Team encouraged prayer and practical support for mission organisations: Pioneers UK (for work in India); ReachAcross (for a family in Mali); Doncaster Schools Workers Trust and Caring for Life (based in Leeds).

##### **Financial Review:**

Continued committed giving by members of Bawtry Community Church has enabled the church to continue to meet its charitable objectives.

General income has decreased by 25.12% to £41,881 (2021 – £66,998).

Designated donations have decreased by 26.27% to £2,561 (2021 - £3,473).

General expenditure has increased by 7.12% to £39,157 (2021 - £36,553).

Undesignated general funds have increased by 3.67% to £94,376 (2021 - £91,036).

Donations to other works have increased by 18.93% to £6,600 (2021 - £5,600).

Special fund designated for Outreach has decreased by 47.54% to £35,296 (2021 £67,279).

Total unrestricted funds have decreased by 18.09% to £129,672 (2021 - £158, 315).

General Income has decreased while there has only been a small increase in General Expenditure which has still resulted in a slight increase in the general fund at the end of the financial year.

There has been an expected decrease in the designated special fund due to the financing of the outreach worker which has impacted on the final decrease in the total unrestricted funds at the end of the financial year.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022** **(continued)**

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#### **Reserves Policy:**

The charity has a clear policy on its reserves. Should funds in the current account together with undesignated reserve funds fall to 33% of budgeted expenditure for the financial year, a financial review would be triggered. This would seek to identify where cuts would need to be made. The current position is satisfactory as it meets our criteria.

#### **Plans for the Future:**

We continue to build on the different formats which we used in 2021 including the use of Zoom, YouTube and social media. We hope to develop a more hybrid approach in the coming year.

We will prepare a Strategic Plan setting out objectives for growth (both maturing and deepening of faith and in numbers – especially of younger families – attending). The plan will be adapted as the Church develops and a new pastor is appointed

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard (FRSSE) 2015.

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.

#### **I. Greer – Secretary**

**Dated: April 20<sup>th</sup> 2023**

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES OF BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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I report on the accounts of Bawtry Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022, which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charity's Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charity's Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charity's Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charity's Act;
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charity's Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Date:** April 21<sup>st</sup> 2023

**Name:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Address:** 24, Woodsett Walk,  
Conisbrough,  
Doncaster,  
DN12 3BH.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Funds
	General	Designated			2022
RECEIPTS	£	£	£	£	£
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant / gift aid	26,406	-	-	-	26,406
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	2,561	-	-	2,561
Gift Aid claimed	6,387	822	-	-	7,209
Collections & other gifts	8,490	770	-	-	9,260
HMRC NIC allowance	321	2,240	-	-	2,561
Sundry Income	-	182	-	-	182
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	78	-	-	-	78
Liquidity Managers 35 day Account	108	-	-	-	108
Yorkshire Building Society	91	356	-	-	447
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>41,881</b>	<b>6,931</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>48,812</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	8,321	27,459	-	-	35,780
Pulpit supply	1,335	-	-	-	1,335
Children's and young people's work	1,483	-	-	-	1,483
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates	4,369	3,000	-	-	7,369
Utilities	1,395	-	-	-	1,395
Room Hire	3,178	4,573	-	-	4,573
Volunteer expenses	178	-	-	-	178
Minister's expenses	2,215	-	-	-	2,215
Outreach expenses	-	4,302	-	-	4,302
Leadership training	-	-	-	-	-
Conference expenses	1,365	-	-	-	1,365
Printing and publicity	440	-	-	-	440
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	170	-	-	-	170
Accountancy charges	250	-	-	-	250
Thirtyoneeight	5,540	-	-	-	5,540
CCL copyright licence	258	-	-	-	258
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work	1,032	3,537	-	-	4,569
Insurance/subscriptions	373	-	-	-	373
Other gifts	504	-	-	-	504
Home missions	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	6,660	-	-	-	6,660
Sundry expenses	91	-	-	-	91
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>39,157</b>	<b>38,298</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>77,455</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>39,157</b>	<b>38,298</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>77,455</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>2,724</b>	<b>(31,367)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(28,643)</b>
Transfer between funds	616	(616)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	3,340	(31,983)	-	-	(28,643)
Cash funds brought forward	91,036	67,279	-	-	158,315
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2022</b>	<b>94,376</b>	<b>35,296</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>129,672</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES** **AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	9,856	(278)	-	-	9,578
Reserve Account	34,129	-	-	-	34,129
Liquidity Manager 35 day Accou	30,000				
Yorkshire Building Society	20,391	35,574	-	-	55,965
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>94,376</b>	<b>35,296</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>129,672</b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	1,492	46	-	-	1,538

#### **Assets retained for the charity's own use**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	-
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	-
2020 Screen for Hope Cen	Unrestricted - General	507	355
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>355</b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
Liabilities			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<b>275</b>	

Approved by the Trustees on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023

and signed on their behalf by:

ivor Greer Secretary  
Gordon David Warnes Trustee

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Funds
	General	Designated			2021
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant /gift aid	30,687	-	-	-	30,687
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	3,473	-	-	3,473
Gift Aid claimed	8,141	887	-	-	9,029
Collections & other gifts	27,151	695	-	-	27,846
	-	-	-	-	-
HMRC NIC allowance	987	1,991	-	-	2,978
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-	-
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	5	-	-	-	5
Yorkshire Building Society	26	138	-	-	165
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>66,998</b>	<b>7,185</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,183</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	17,070	28,182	-	-	45,252
Pulpit supply	600	-	-	-	600
Children's and young people's work	485	-	-	-	485
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates	4,323	3,000	-	-	7,323
Utilities	1,142				
Room Hire	1,717	2,859	-	-	2,859
Volunteer expenses	325	-	-	-	325
Minister's expenses	1,676	-	-	-	1,676
Outreach expenses	-	3,071	-	-	3,071
Leadership training	180	-	-	-	180
Conference expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Printing and publicity	480	-	-	-	480
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	29	-	-	-	29
Accountancy charges	250	-	-	-	250
Thirtyoneeight	179	-	-	-	179
CCL copyright licence	246	-	-	-	246
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work	1,693	4,003	-	-	5,696
Insurance/subscriptions	384	-	-	-	384
Personnel gift	-	-	-	-	-
Home missions	158	-	-	-	158
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	5,600	-	-	-	5,600
Sundry expenses	16	-	-	-	16
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>36,553</b>	<b>38,256</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,809</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>36,553</b>	<b>38,256</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,809</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>30,445</b>	<b>(31,071)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(626)</b>
Transfer between funds	1,020	(1,020)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	31,465	(32,091)	-	-	(626)
Cash funds brought forward	59,571	99,370	-	-	158,941
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2021</b>	<b>91,036</b>	<b>67,279</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,315</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	9,793	(57)	-	-	9,736
Reserve Account	63,943	-	-	-	63,943
Special Account	17,300	67,336	-	-	84,636
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>91,036</b>	<b>67,279</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,315</b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	1,393	182	-	-	1,575

#### **Assets retained for the charity's own use**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	105
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	132
2020 Screen for Hope Cen	Unrestricted - General	507	406
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>643</b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
Liabilities			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<b>250</b>	

**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1178422

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# Accounts

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**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

**Registered Charity Number 1178422**

**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

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## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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	Chairman of the Trustees
Alan Merrick	(Independent Trustee)

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#### **Church Secretary:**

Carol Greer

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## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021** **(continued)**

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#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

##### **Constitution:**

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##### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The charity is constituted as an Association Charitable Incorporated Organisation consisting of 24 members. Trustees are chosen from among the church members, with a maximum number being agreed from time to time by the membership. They may serve for as long as they have the support of the membership and are appointed for an initial period of three years. At the end of a three-year term, they may be nominated for reappointment. Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits save the Pastor. The Trustees met four times throughout 2021 on a quarterly basis using Zoom, in line with the rules of the Constitution.

##### **Organisational Structure and Management:**

The control, management and administration of the Church is by the Charity Trustees. The Pastor leads the activities of the Church with an emphasis on the leading of worship and prayer, the teaching of the Christian faith, the pastoral care of individuals and outreach into the community. The Elders are responsible to God for the spiritual life of the Church, for prayer, teaching God's word and pastoral care for members. Deacons assist with the business and practical affairs of the Church. Collectively these individuals form the Leadership Team. Church Members have reserved authority in the appointment and removal of a Pastor, the Charity Trustees, the Elders and Deacons and the appointment of the Treasurer and Secretary. This also applies to matters relating to church property and the closure of the church. They may also be consulted on other matters.

Bawtry Community Church is a member of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches and Rural Ministries. Both organisations provide support and helpful advice.

##### **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy:**

Our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy was reviewed in September 2021 and brought to the attention of the whole church at a "Safeguarding Sunday". The Leadership Team recognises the need to provide a safe and caring environment for children, young people and vulnerable adults. The Leadership Team is committed to building constructive links with statutory and voluntary agencies involved in safeguarding, endorses all national and local safeguarding legislation and procedures and provides ongoing training for all its workers.

A Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Deputy and an Assistant make up the Safeguarding Team. Details of who they are and how they can be contacted are displayed in each venue where church activities are held. Also, a register is kept of all persons working with children and vulnerable adults is kept ensuring up-to-date DBS clearance.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021** **(continued)**

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#### **Objectives and Activities:**

##### **Objectives**

The key objectives of the charity are to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of all, primarily but not exclusively, within Bawtry, the surrounding neighbourhood and through overseas mission. We pursue charitable objectives which will, in the opinion of the trustees, put into practice the Christian faith and be of benefit to all without distinction. These objectives may include the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness, the advancement of education, the provision of services furthering social welfare with the objective of improving conditions for residents.

##### **Activities**

In order to fulfil these objectives, the charity engages in a range of activities, either unilaterally or with others in order to provide public benefit. Our activities include regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching, dedication of infants and the baptism of believers, regular services of Holy Communion, evangelism and mission, teaching, encouragement and inclusion of young people, the nurture and growth of Christian disciples, the education and training for Christian and community service, giving of pastoral care, encouraging charitable social action in the UK and abroad, encouraging and supporting other churches, the joining of a man and woman in Christian marriage and the service of Christian burial.

#### **Achievements and Performance:**

##### **Events in 2021**

Renewed Covid restrictions meant we started 2021 by using Zoom. We held weekly Sunday services, on "live" Zoom at 4pm, with Communion once a month on Sundays. Weekly prayer times were also arranged by Zoom on Wednesday evenings. Pastoral care and support continued through internet, telephone and letters and cards.

We prepared an outline "Celebrate Community" service with Bawtry Churches Together on 13<sup>th</sup> June (now available on the BCC Bawtry YouTube channel). This involved participation from both church attenders and others from the wider community reflecting on challenges, encouragements, thanks and prayers.

It was not until June that we began to meet again in The New Hall. We took precautions using masks & sanitisers, having an attendance register, sitting around tables and serving drinks at tables after the service. Another change came on 17<sup>th</sup> October when, after long consideration, we changed our Sunday meeting time from 4pm to 10:30am. Sunday attendances have been encouraging with an average of the low 30s. We joined with the other Bawtry Churches in St Nicholas for Remembrance Sunday on 14<sup>th</sup> November. This was followed by a parade through the town and the dedication of the re-sited War Memorial.

Ivor Greer continued as pastor during 2021. Chris Moss, originally from Norfolk who had been living and working in South Africa for 14 years, was employed as Assistant Pastor for six-months. It was encouraging to have Chris's input on preaching, music, IT, developing a Men's Boot Camp and with the Parenting Class. For family and visa reasons, Chris had to return to South Africa at the end of March 2021.

It was decided that we would advertise for a new pastor to succeed when our current pastor's three-year term ends in 2022. This process was still on-going at the end of the year. We had a special Teatime Treats in the New Hall in December which was followed by our Candlelit Carol Service.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021** **(continued)**

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#### **Achievements and Performance (continued):**

The three-year contract for our Family and Community worker, Chrissy Hadley, was extended by two more years to 2023. At the start of the year Chrissy organised periodic distribution of children's activity bags and support for parents and families. Connections with families continued through Facebook and Chrissy and Chris Moss ran an on-line Parenting Class which was much appreciated. In this way, we have continued to advance one of our key objectives by reaching out and helping the local community.

We organised a "Holiday club in a bag" which included daily videos on Facebook and interactive activities. The "Kingdom Kids" group continued on Zoom (with up to 15 children) until June and then in person when we began to meet again in The New Hall.

In 2021 we arranged a coach trip to Cleethorpes on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September. This provided a great visit to the beach and brought together families and older folk from the church and the community. Some of the mums from the Baby & Toddler group also came along for the day. Summer activities using the theme "Bawtry by the Sea" were held for children and the over 60s. Then a Harvest Lunch with activities was organised for the over 60s in October and an activity for children during the October half-term.

By the end of 2021 several of our activities for children and young people were able to resume. These include the Kingdom Kids group for young children during the main Sunday church service; MadJam (Make a difference Jesus and me) for young people in their teens following teaching material of Urban Saints (and plans for Spree, an activity summer camp for young people); ASK (after school club) at Bawtry Mayflower School; and fortnightly Assembly visits to Misson Primary School.

Chrissy also opened her garden as "The Garden of Hope". This was used for our MadJam youth group; Ladies group and also to invite individual families and have some interactive, quality time with them.

The Away Team encouraged prayer and practical support for mission organisations: Pioneers UK (for work in India); ReachAcross (for a family in Mali); Doncaster Schools Workers Trust and Caring for Life (based in Leeds).

#### **Financial Review:**

Continued committed giving by members of Bawtry Community Church has enabled the church to continue to meet its charitable objectives.

General income has increased by 31.07% to £66,998 (2020 – £51,117).

Designated donations have increased by 50.69% to £3,473 (2020 - £2,605).

General expenditure has increased slightly by 1.98% to £36,553 (2020 - £35,844).

Undesignated general funds have increased by 51.80% to £91,036 (2020 - £59,971).

Donations to other works have increased by 3.70% to £5,600 (2020 - £5,400).

Special fund designated for Outreach has decreased by 32.29% to £67,279 (2020 £99,370).

Total unrestricted funds have decreased slightly by 0.39% to £158,315 (2020 - £158,941).

The Covid pandemic and the way we have been able to worship, together with reduced staffing costs, has influenced both the income and expenditure this year. General Income has increased while there has only been a small increase in General Expenditure which has resulted in an increase in the general fund at the end of the financial year. There has been an expected decrease in the designated special fund due to the financing of the outreach worker.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021** **(continued)**

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#### **Reserves Policy:**

The charity has a clear policy on its reserves. Should funds in the current account together with undesignated reserve funds fall to 33% of budgeted expenditure for the financial year, a financial review would be triggered. This would seek to identify where cuts would need to be made. The current position is satisfactory as it meets our criteria.

#### **Plans for the Future:**

We are planning to build on the different formats which we have used this year including the use of YouTube and social media. We will develop a more hybrid approach in the coming year.

We will prepare a Strategic Plan setting out objectives for growth (both maturing and deepening of faith and in numbers – especially of younger families – attending). The plan will be adapted as the Church develops and a new pastor is appointed

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard (FRSSE) 2015.

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.

#### **I. Greer – Secretary**

**Dated: April 6<sup>th</sup> 2022**

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES OF BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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I report on the accounts of Bawtry Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021, which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charity's Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charity's Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charity's Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charity's Act;
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charity's Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Date:** April 8<sup>th</sup> 2022

**Name:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Address:** 24, Woodsett Walk,  
Conisbrough,  
Doncaster,  
DN12 3BH.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Funds
	General	Designated			2021
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant / gift aid	30,687	-	-	-	30,687
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	3,473	-	-	3,473
Gift Aid claimed	8,141	887	-	-	9,029
Collections & other gifts	27,151	695	-	-	27,846
	-	-	-	-	-
HMRC NIC allowance	987	1,991	-	-	2,978
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-	-
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	5	-	-	-	5
Yorkshire Building Society	26	138	-	-	165
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>66,998</b>	<b>7,185</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,183</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	17,070	28,182	-	-	45,252
Pulpit supply	600	-	-	-	600
Children's and young people's work	485	-	-	-	485
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates	4,323	3,000	-	-	7,323
Utilities	1,142	-	-	-	1,142
Room Hire	1,717	2,859	-	-	4,576
Volunteer expenses	325	-	-	-	325
Minister's expenses	1,676	-	-	-	1,676
Outreach expenses	-	3,071	-	-	3,071
Leadership training	180	-	-	-	180
Conference expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Printing and publicity	480	-	-	-	480
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	29	-	-	-	29
Accountancy charges	250	-	-	-	250
Thirtyoneeight	179	-	-	-	179
CCL copyright licence	246	-	-	-	246
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work	1,693	4,003	-	-	5,696
Insurance/subscriptions	384	-	-	-	384
Personnel gift	-	-	-	-	-
Home missions	158	-	-	-	158
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	5,600	-	-	-	5,600
Sundry expenses	16	-	-	-	16
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>36,553</b>	<b>38,256</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,809</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>36,553</b>	<b>38,256</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,809</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>30,445</b>	<b>(31,071)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(626)</b>
Transfer between funds	1,020	(1,020)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	31,465	(32,091)	-	-	(626)
Cash funds brought forward	59,571	99,370	-	-	158,941
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2021</b>	<b>91,036</b>	<b>67,279</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,315</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES** **AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	9,793	(57)	-	-	9,736
Reserve Account	63,943	-	-	-	63,943
Special Account	17,300	67,336	-	-	84,636
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>91,036</b>	<b>67,279</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,315</b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	1,393	182	-	-	1,575

#### **Assets retained for the charity's own use**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	105
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	132
2020 Screen for Hope Cen	Unrestricted - General	507	406
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>643</b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
Liabilities			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<b>250</b>	

Approved by the Trustees on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

and signed on their behalf by:

Jonathan Redden      Chairman  
Ivor Greer              Secretary

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Endowment Fund		Total Funds
	General	Designated			2020
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant /gift aid	32,461	-	-	-	32,461
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	2,605	-	-	2,605
Gift Aid claimed	8,524	645	-	-	9,169
Collections & other gifts	8,933	853	-	-	9,786
	-	-	-	-	-
HMRC NIC allowance	1,100	1,585	-	-	2,686
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-	-
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	24	-	-	-	24
Yorkshire Building Society	74	669	-	-	742
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>51,117</b>	<b>6,357</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>57,474</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	17,127	27,895	-	-	45,022
Pulpit supply	200	-	-	-	200
Children's and young people's work	422	-	-	-	422
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates	4,321	3,000	-	-	7,321
Utilities	1,157	-	-	-	1,157
Room Hire	1,551	-	-	-	1,551
	2,707	-	-	-	2,707
Minister's expenses	2,036	-	-	-	2,036
Outreach expenses	-	2,401	-	-	2,401
Leadership training	1,063	-	-	-	1,063
Conference expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Printing and publicity	535	-	-	-	535
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	462	-	-	-	462
Accountancy charges	250	-	-	-	250
Thirtyoneeight	236	-	-	-	236
CCL copyright licence	540	-	-	-	540
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work	126	2,949	-	-	3,076
Insurance/subscriptions	347	-	-	-	347
Personnel gift	-	-	-	-	-
Home missions	70	-	-	-	70
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	5,400	-	-	-	5,400
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>35,844</b>	<b>36,245</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>72,089</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	-	507	-	-	507
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>35,844</b>	<b>36,752</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>72,596</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>15,273</b>	<b>(30,395)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(15,122)</b>
Transfer between funds	536	(536)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	15,809	(30,931)	-	-	(15,122)
Cash funds brought forward	43,762	130,301	-	-	174,063
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2020</b>	<b>59,571</b>	<b>99,370</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,941</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	7,360	273	-	-	7,633
Reserve Account	34,937	-	-	-	34,937
Special Account	17,274	99,097	-	-	116,371
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>59,571</b>	<b>99,370</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,941</b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	750	188	-	-	938

#### **Assets retained for the charity's own use**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>			
		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	210
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	264
2020 Screen for Hope Centre	Unrestricted - General	507	456
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>930</b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
Liabilities			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<b>250</b>	

**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1178422

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# Accounts

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**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

**Registered Charity Number 1178422**

**BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

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## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

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The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.

#### **Reference and Administrative Details**

**Charity Number:** 1178422

#### **Trustees and Principal Officers:**

Gordon David Warnes	(Elder)	
Priscilla Emily Perkins	(Deacon)	
Ivor Calvin Greer	(Pastor)	
	Secretary to the Trustees	
David William Wallis	(Independent Trustee)	
	Chairman of the Trustees	
Chalmers Dobson	(Independent Trustee)	
Alan Merrick	(Independent Trustee)	elected 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2020

#### **Secretary and Principal Address:**

Ivor Calvin Greer  
2-3 Pinders Court  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JA

#### **Church Secretary:**

Carol Greer

#### **Treasurer:**

Dr. Andrew Perkins  
2-3 Pinders Court  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JA

#### **Independent Examiner:**

Anthony Walker  
24 Woodsett Walk  
Conisborough  
Doncaster  
DN12 3BH

#### **Bankers:**

National Westminster  
21 the Square  
Retford  
DN22 6DL

#### **Solicitors:**

Jones & Company  
High Street  
Bawtry  
DN10 6JB

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020** **(continued)**

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#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

##### **Constitution:**

A new Constitution was agreed and approved at a meeting of church members on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018. This was duly submitted to the Charity Commission. The Commission approved the Constitution as our Governing Document and Bawtry Community Church was given charitable status on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The charity is constituted as an Association Charitable Incorporated Organisation consisting of 32 members. Trustees are chosen from among the church members, with a maximum number being agreed from time to time by the membership. They may serve for as long as they have the support of the membership and are appointed for an initial period of three years. At the end of a three-year term, they may be nominated for reappointment. Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits save the Pastor. The Trustees met four times throughout 2020 on a quarterly basis using Zoom, in line with the rules of the Constitution.

##### **Organisational Structure and Management:**

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Bawtry Community Church is a member of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches and Rural Ministries. Both organisations provide support and helpful advice.

##### **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy:**

A detailed Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy is in place and available for inspection. The Leadership Team recognises the need to provide a safe and caring environment for children, young people and adults as members of each group can become victims of physical, sexual and emotional abuse and neglect. The Leadership Team is committed to building constructive links with statutory and voluntary agencies involved in safeguarding, endorses all national and local safeguarding legislation and procedures and provides ongoing training for all its workers.

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## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020** **(continued)**

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##### **Activities**

In order to fulfil these objectives, the charity engages in a range of activities, either unilaterally or with others in order to provide public benefit. Our activities include regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching, dedication of infants and the baptism of believers, regular services of Holy Communion, evangelism and mission, teaching, encouragement and inclusion of young people, the nurture and growth of Christian disciples, the education and training for Christian and community service, giving of pastoral care, encouraging charitable social action in the UK and abroad, encouraging and supporting other churches, the joining of a man and woman in Christian marriage and the service of Christian burial.

Prior to March, 2020, we had plans for our normal activities to take place face to face. These activities were organised by various groups and individuals: Kingdom Kids whereby the young children leave the main church service to attend a Bible based activity class; MadJam (Make a difference Jesus and me) whereby the young people in their teens pursue a similar activity following the teaching material of Urban Saints and includes Spree which is a study and activity summer camp for young people; ASK (after school club) continues at Mayflower school and Open the Book, now in its 16<sup>th</sup> year, at Misson school.

The Home Team were planning to continue organising a monthly tea for the over 60s of Bawtry, collections for the Foodbank and the Drop-In centre providing coffee and cake and the opportunity to meet and chat to others.

The Away team planned ongoing support for mission, both locally and overseas.

#### **Achievements and Performance:**

##### **Effects of Covid-19**

The announcement of the first lock-down in March required us to review and consider how we could continue to achieve our objectives. We were able to continue some of our activities but our work with local schools had to be suspended. We held weekly Sunday services, on "live" Zoom at 4pm, with Communion once a month on Sundays. Weekly prayer times were also arranged by Zoom on Wednesday evenings. Pastoral care and support has continued through internet, telephone and letters and cards.

From the end of March until the beginning of September, we met online with DVDs provided for those without internet. We were able to resume meeting at the New Hall for September and October with appropriate social distancing and observing the Covid Regulations. We continued to use Zoom for those attenders who were either shielding or were reluctant to meet in person. We began to upload all or part of our Sunday services onto our YouTube Channel. We had to stop meeting again face to face in November and resumed meeting in person during December including on Christmas Day.

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### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020** **(continued)**

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#### **Achievements and Performance (continued):**

Ivor Greer continued as pastor during 2020. It was decided that we would advertise in April to appointing an Assistant Pastor for a three-year contract. Twelve applications were received. Following interviews on Zoom we drew up a shortlist of three candidates. After they completed several tasks in preparation, each was invited to visit Bawtry with their wife, for a face-to-face interview in August. Chris Moss, a British man who had been living and working in South Africa for 14 years, was offered the post. This was on the understanding that his wife and family would be able to join him in the UK as soon as possible. In the event, there were problems which meant the family were not able to leave South Africa as planned. A six-month contract from 1 October was agreed to allow time for these family issues to be resolved.

Plans for 2020 by our Family and Community worker, Chris Hadley, also had to be revised and she was able to maintain contact with many families by periodic distribution of children's activity bags (over 70) and support for parents and families. As a result, even with the repeated lock-downs, we have continued to advance one of our key objectives by reaching and helping the local community.

The Home Team has also had to adapt because of Covid Restrictions. Monthly Tea Time Treats, for the over 60s had to stop in March. The Team adjusted by providing several Tea Time Treats "In a box" which were delivered by hand. These were very well received. Love in the Box continued to support the Doncaster Foodbank when we were able to meet in person.

The Away Team encouraged prayer and practical support for mission organisations: Pioneers UK (for work in India); ReachAcross (for a family in Mali); Doncaster Schools Workers Trust and Caring for Life (based in Leeds).

#### **Financial Review:**

Continued committed giving by members of Bawtry Community Church has enabled the church to continue to meet its charitable objectives.

General income has decreased by 9.98% to £51,117 (2019 – £56,785).

Designated donations have increased by 42.04% to £2,605 (2019 - £1834).

General expenditure has decreased by 32.31% to £35,844 (2019 - £52,951).

Undesignated general funds have increased by 36.13% to £59,971 (2019 - £43,762).

Donations to other works have not increased at £5,400 (2019 - £5,400).

Special fund designated for Outreach has decreased by 23.74% to £99,370 (2019 £130,301).

Total unrestricted funds have decreased by 8.69% to £158,941 (2019 - £174,063).

The Covid pandemic and the way we have been able to worship, together with reduced staffing costs, has influenced both the income and expenditure this year. General Income has slightly decreased while there has been a decline in General Expenditure which has resulted in an increase in the general fund at the end of the financial year. There has been an expected decrease in the designated special fund due to the financing of the outreach worker.

#### **Reserves Policy:**

The charity has a clear policy on its reserves. Should funds in the current account together with undesignated reserve funds fall to 33% of budgeted expenditure for the financial year, a financial review would be triggered. This would seek to identify where cuts would need to be made. The current position is satisfactory as it meets our criteria.

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### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020** **(continued)**

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#### **Plans for the Future:**

With Covid restrictions, our plans for 2020 had to be adjusted with considerable reliance on remote contacts. This has enabled some of our community activities to be expanded. We are planning to build on this and develop a more hybrid approach in the coming year.

We will prepare a Strategic Plan setting out objectives for growth (both maturing and deepening of faith and in numbers – especially of younger families – attending). The plan will also look at leadership succession as the Church develops.

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard(FRSSE) 2015.

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.

**I. Greer – Secretary**

**Dated: April 13<sup>th</sup> 2021**

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES OF BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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I report on the accounts of Bawtry Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020, which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charity's Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charity's Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charity's Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charity's Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charity's Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:** Catherin Gillian Walker

**Date:** **March 27, 2020**

**Name:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Address:** 24, Woodsett Walk,  
Conisbrough,  
Doncaster,  
DN12 3BH.

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

	<b>Unrestricted Fund</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds 2020</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant /gift aid	32,461	-	-	-	32,461
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	2,605	-	-	2,605
Gift Aid claimed	8,524	645	-	-	9,169
Collections & other gifts	8,933	853	-	-	9,786
	-	-	-	-	-
HMRC NIC allowance	1,100	1,585	-	-	2,686
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-	-
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	24	-	-	-	24
Yorkshire Building Society	74	669	-	-	742
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>51,117</b>	<b>6,357</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>57,474</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	17,127	27,895	-	-	45,022
Pulpit supply	200	-	-	-	200
Children's and young people's work	422	-	-	-	422
Hope Centre					
Rent & Rates	4,321	3,000	-	-	7,321
Utilities	1,157	-	-	-	1,157
Room Hire	1,551	-	-	-	1,551
	<u>2,707</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,707</u>
Minister's expenses	2,036	-	-	-	2,036
Outreach expenses	-	2,401	-	-	2,401
Leadership training	1,063	-	-	-	1,063
Conference expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Printing and publicity	535	-	-	-	535
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	462	-	-	-	462
Accountancy charges	250	-	-	-	250
Thirtyoneeight	236	-	-	-	236
CCL copyright licence	540	-	-	-	540
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and grants to other Christian work	126	2,949	-	-	3,076
Insurance/subscriptions	347	-	-	-	347
Personnel gift	-	-	-	-	-
Home missions	70	-	-	-	70
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	5,400	-	-	-	5,400
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>35,844</b>	<b>36,245</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>72,089</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	-	507	-	-	507
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>35,844</b>	<b>36,752</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>72,596</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>15,273</b>	<b>(30,395)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(15,122)</b>
Transfer between funds	536	(536)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	15,809	(30,931)	-	-	(15,122)
Cash funds brought forward	43,762	130,301	-	-	174,063
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2020</b>	<b>59,571</b>	<b>99,370</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,941</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES** **AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	7,360	273	-	-	7,633
Reserve Account	34,937	-	-	-	34,937
Special Account	17,274	99,097	-	-	116,371
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>59,571</b>	<b>99,370</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,941</b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	750	188	-	-	938

#### **Assets retained for the charity's own use**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>		-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>			
2018 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	210
2019 Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	264
2020 Screen for Hope Centre	Unrestricted - General	507	456
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>930</b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
Liabilities			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<b>250</b>	

Approved by the Trustees on **March 26, 2020**

and signed on their behalf by:

David Wallis	Chairman
Ivor Greer	Secretary

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Funds
	General	Designated			2019
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>					
Sunday offerings & deeds of covenant /gift aid	39,152	-	-	-	39,152
Designated gifts/gift aid	-	1,834	-	-	1,834
Gift Aid claimed	10,535	505	-	-	11,040
Collections & other gifts	5,554	1,181	-	-	6,736
Legacy - Miss Salmon	-	-	-	-	-
HMRC NIC allowance	1,424	1,695	-	-	3,120
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-	-
Interest received:					
NatWest Reserve Account	45	-	-	-	45
Yorkshire Building Society	74	788	-	-	862
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>56,785</b>	<b>6,004</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>62,789</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	24,987	25,390	-	-	50,376
Pulpit supply	450	-	-	-	450
Children's and young people's work	1,262	-	-	-	1,262
Rent					
New Hall	-	-	-	-	-
Other	3,649	-	-	-	3,649
Hope	6,760	-	-	-	6,760
	10,409	-	-	-	10,409
Hope - utilities	1,871	-	-	-	1,871
Minister's expenses	2,009	-	-	-	2,009
Outreach expenses	-	1,983	-	-	1,983
Leadership training	13	-	-	-	13
Conference expenses	295	-	-	-	295
Printing and publicity	512	-	-	-	512
Web site	-	-	-	-	-
Technology	524	-	-	-	524
Accountancy charges	250	-	-	-	250
FIEC	1,137	-	-	-	1,137
CCL copyright licence	464	-	-	-	464
Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-
Removal expenses	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Insurance/subscriptions	977	-	-	-	977
Personnel gift	-	2,842	-	-	2,842
Home missions	392	-	-	-	392
Donations and grants to other overseas Christian work	5,400	-	-	-	5,400
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>52,951</b>	<b>30,214</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>83,165</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	-	528	-	-	528
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>52,951</b>	<b>30,742</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>83,693</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>3,834</b>	<b>(24,738)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(20,904)</b>
Transfer between funds	1,358	(1,358)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	5,192	(26,096)	-	-	(20,904)
Cash funds brought forward	38,570	156,397	-	-	194,967
<b>Cash funds carried forward December 31 2019</b>	<b>43,762</b>	<b>130,301</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>174,063</b>

## **BAWTRY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

### **STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current Account	7,649	1,373	-	-	9,021
Reserve Account	21,913	-	-	-	21,913
Special Account	14,200	128,929	-	-	143,129
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b><u>43,762</u></b>	<b><u>130,301</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>174,063</u></b>

<b>Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>			
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax refund due from HMRC	<u>2,233</u>	<u>181</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,415</u>

		<b>Funds to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Current Value</b>
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>				
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>				
			-	
<b>Furniture, fittings and equipment</b>				
2018	Laptop computer	Unrestricted - General	419	314
2019	Laptop computer	Unrestricted - designated	528	396
<b>Total current assets</b>				<b><u>710</u></b>

	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
Liabilities			
Accountancy charge	Unrestricted - General	<u>250</u>	