

Newlife Church, Palmers Green

Registered Charity no. 1180315

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 April 2022

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Annual Report and Financial Statements

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2022.

Reference and administrative details

Newlife Church, Palmers Green ('Newlife') is a charitable incorporated organisation with charity registration number 1180315.

Address of the principal office: Newlife Church, Palmers Green
Newlife Christian Centre
211 Green Lanes
London
N13 4UH

Trustees: Rani Danaka
Prasanth Kumar Patancheru Johnwesley
Caroline Kingham
Philip Kingham
Bruce McGill
Matthew Rawding
Brian Shearer

Malcolm Drummond retired as a trustee on 15 March 2022. Matthew Rawding was appointed as a trustee on 25 April 2022. Caroline Kingham and Brian Shearer retired as trustees on 13 June 2022 and were re-elected on the same date.

Governance

Newlife is governed by its constitution as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO), under which it was registered as a charity on 15 October 2018. The trustees are responsible for appointing any new trustees.

Newlife's Leadership team, all of whom are currently trustees, meet every 3 or 4 weeks, to review and organise Newlife's activities, planning, finances and administration.

Objectives and activities

In brief, the objects of the CIO are, for the public benefit:

the advancement of the Christian faith; and
the relief of persons in any part of the world who are in need.

Newlife holds Sunday morning worship services at Newlife Christian Centre, which are open to all who wish to come to worship God or to learn more about the Christian faith. There are age-related groups for children on Sunday mornings, and youth meetings and Bible studies at other times. There are also life groups held online, in the Centre or in church members' houses during the week, where the Bible is studied and the Christian life exercised in prayer, worship and support. Other Christian exploration courses, such as Alpha and Freedom in Christ, are run from time to time.

In the Centre, Newlife runs a weekly English language class for those whose first language is not English, and joins with other local churches in an initiative called Mustard Seed, to provide hot meals to local homeless people. Teams go out from Newlife onto the streets of Palmers Green to discuss life and matters of faith with local residents. Other teams visit people in local sheltered housing to meet residents and show God's love to them.

Newlife gave financial support to work in the Enfield area including drug rehabilitation, youth work and street pastor activity. Gifts were given to those locally who were in financial crisis. Support was also given to very poor people in Romania and Moldova, and to those affected by the crisis in Ukraine.

The trustees believe that Newlife's activities are within the charity's objects and bring benefits both to Christians and to the local people of Palmers Green and Enfield, and that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

Operations review

The changing requirements of coronavirus safeguards were reflected in changes to activities: the Sunday and weekday meetings, and the English class, that were held online, gradually reverted to face to face meetings, although some life group meetings continue to be held online. Communal events increased in number as regulations relaxed.

Mustard Seed's provision of meals to the homeless was frequently reorganised to reflect changes in lockdown and social distancing, but continued throughout.

The ramp to facilitate disabled access to the Centre was completed during the year.

Information about our activities can be found on our website www.newlifepalmersgreen.org.uk.

Financial Review

The trustees have prepared receipts and payments accounts for the year to 30 April 2022, which are presented below, together with a statement of assets and liabilities at 30 April 2022.

As activities moved from online to face to face, the costs of running the Centre inevitably increased. Building improvements, including some redecoration, paving round the front of the Centre, and installing CCTV, also increased expenditure. However, the giving to the church continued generously, and this resulted in a surplus for the year of £5,335.

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Receipts and payments account for the year ended 30 April 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Receipts		
Donations (including £10,000 restricted in 2021)	100,667	112,750
Rental income	<u>12,384</u>	<u>8,442</u>
Total receipts	<u>113,051</u>	<u>121,192</u>
Payments		
Church running costs (£5720 restricted; 2021 £1062)	<u>107,716</u>	<u>88,049</u>
Total payments	<u>107,716</u>	<u>88,049</u>
Net surplus for the year	5,335	33,143
Bank and cash at 30 April 2021	<u>77,818</u>	<u>44,675</u>
Bank and cash at 30 April 2022	<u>£83,153</u>	<u>£77,818</u>

Restricted funds

In 2021 Newlife received a donation of £10,000 for Christian ministry among Iranians. Newlife incurred expenses of £5720 (2021 £1,062) on this. All of the other income, expenses and assets relate to unrestricted funds.

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Statement of assets and liabilities at 30 April 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank balance	82,970	77,711
Cash in hand	<u>183</u>	<u>107</u>
Total monetary assets	<u>£83,153</u>	<u>£77,818</u>

Assets relating to unrestricted funds	79,935	68,880
Assets relating to restricted funds	<u>3,218</u>	<u>8,938</u>
Total	<u>£83,153</u>	<u>£77,818</u>

Notes to the accounts

Newlife has been in operation as a church since 2012, initially as a church plant from Chase Family Church in Enfield. Since 2015 Newlife has met for Sunday worship in the former Baptist Church building at 211 Green Lanes in Palmers Green. Newlife was invited by the Baptist authorities to lease the building, and has done so from early 2019, calling the building Newlife Christian Centre.

Assets and liabilities

Newlife leases the building it operates from, and therefore does not regard investment in it as an asset for accounting purposes, although Newlife spends money on improvements to it.

Owned assets are principally chairs and tables, some PA equipment, some kitchen equipment, and resources for the activities carried out.

There was no liability outstanding due to debt or guarantee at 30 April 2022 or 30 April 2021.

Reserves policy and effect of COVID-19

The trustees' policy is to retain reserves of at least two months of normal expenditure. The trustees initially expected COVID-19 to affect the charity's finances, but the overall level of donations remained broadly consistent. This enabled Newlife to make gifts to those who are in a financial crisis, and to organisations that supported those in need.

Trustees' remuneration

None of the trustees are paid for their services as trustees. Three trustees have been paid during the year for providing services to Newlife, as follows:

Malcolm Drummond	£8,219	Administrative services (£12,568 in previous year)
Caroline Kingham	£13,966	Administrative services (£13,772 in previous year)
Philip Kingham	£18,363	Church Team Leader (£18,167 in previous year)

Approval of report

The annual report and financial statements were approved by the trustees on 22nd August 2022 and signed on their behalf by Philip Kingham and Brian Shearer.

Philip Kingham
Trustee
22nd August 2022

Brian Shearer
Trustee



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

NEWLIFE CHURCH, PALMERS GREEN

On accounts for the year
ended

30 APRIL 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1180315

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Responsibilities and
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/04/2022.

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

R. Munaster

Date:

22/8/22

Name:

MRS LUNA MUNCASTER ACA

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

ASSOCIATE CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT (ICAEW)

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.