

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1180879

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-11-28

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

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF FAITH IN THE SCHEDULE HERETO ATTACHED IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD THROUGH: THE ORGANISATION AND PROVISION OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP; THE PROVISION OF SUCH FACILITIES AND SERVICES AS ARE APPROPRIATE FOR THE CHURCH, TO ENABLE IT TO FULFIL ITS MISSION TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH, VISITORS TO THE CHURCH AND THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND THE WIDER COMMUNITY; THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR CHRISTIAN TRAINING AND SERVICE; THE SUPPORT AND PROVISION OF CHRISTIAN EVANGELISM AND OUTREACH; THE PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE TO THE WIDER CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN ITS MINISTRIES.

Activities: Leicester Vineyard is a Church based in the city of Leicester.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Disability, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Leicester City
- Leicestershire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£78,385	£106,273	-	-
2024-03-31	£68,207	£105,933	-	-
2023-03-31	£110,444	£90,617	-	-
2022-03-31	£66,622	£87,757	-	-
2021-03-31	£90,387	£40,744	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ingrid Jones		2024-01-19
OLIVER JOHN BENNETT		2018-09-14
PETER FORBES MELVILLE STURROCK		2018-09-14
Robert James Radford		2022-09-26
SALLY PIGOTT		2026-01-19

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Year ended 31 March 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Thomas Bird Oliver Bennett Robert Radford Peter Sturrock Ingrid Jones Sally Pigott (appointed January 2026)
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Review of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

We have had weekly Sunday Church services, with groups for kids and youth as well as special services such as Easter and Christmas along with Newcomer's meals to welcome those visiting/exploring Church. Our focus in this period has been God's heart for the lost, teaching on the Kingdom of God, Staying close to God, and Prayer.

We have also been meeting weekly in small groups, early morning prayer groups and monthly as a women's breakfast and prayer group. And we dedicated 3 of our young members.

Church events include, Men's BBQ nights, and Ladies nights out crafting or eating, but also activities bringing the whole church family together include; family walks, picnics, Sports Day and Brunch Sundays.

Members of our youth also joined with another local Vineyard to attend Dreaming the Impossible (DTI) youth festival, where several of our congregation volunteered on team to help make the festival happen.

We seek to be a positive influence and blessing to Leicester and through links with our compassion ministry, Growbaby, we have collected donations to create Christmas and Mother's day hampers as well as continuing to deliver weekly appointments giving free good quality second-hand baby clothes and equipment to families in need. We lease a space at Talbot Lane in the centre of Leicester to facilitate this venture and in this period Growbaby served its 300th client!

We have also been out in the local area giving away chocolates and invites to our Easter and Christmas services, and hosted an Alpha course with 6 guests.

In this period, we have also wanted to help further afield and gathered non-monetary donations from the congregation to send out to those in need in Ukraine.

Unity with the other churches in the city is important to us. One of our pastors joins with other church leaders in the city to pray and we also participate in the Praying for Leicestershire events, encouraging churches to come together and pray for the county.

During this period April 2024 – March 2025, our finances have remained healthy and there has been no significant impact on net income, our Reserves policy remains the same, 3 months wages and expenses. Nonetheless the trustees continue to monitor income and expenditure closely and, if it becomes necessary, will take measures to mitigate any financial impact. The charity has not had to make any redundancies.

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

Financial review

The accounts are drawn up on a receipts and payments basis. Income and expenditure is therefore presented according to the date that income is received and payments are made. For this current accounting period income is £78,385 compared to 2024 which was £68,207. The charity was therefore able to increase its spending on relevant activities in the current year to £106,273. From a cash perspective the cash reserves decreased by £27,889. This leaves a balance of £28,764 (£26,080 being unrestricted).

The trustees continue to monitor income and expenditure closely and, if it becomes necessary, will take measures to mitigate any financial impact. The charity has not had to make any redundancies.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than 3 months of quarterly fixed costs (which equates to approximately £18,100) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £26,080 and the reserves policy was met. The trustees intend to review and amend the reserves policy for the coming year, due to some significant changes to expected expenditure.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to the senior pastors. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

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

Approval

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

Peter Sturrock
Peter Sturrock (Jan 27, 2026 21:03:51 GMT)

Peter Sturrock

Date: Jan 27, 2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Leicester Vineyard Church ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025 on pages 6 - 9 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Sarah Crispin

Sarah Crispin (Jan 28, 2026 09:22:00 GMT)

Sarah Crispin ACA

Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
LONDON
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Date: Jan 28, 2026

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
		General Funds	Designated Funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
Income receipts						
Donations		51,599	-	4,857	56,456	68,158
Gift aid receipts		19,735	-	2,154	21,889	-
Other		40	-	-	40	49
Total receipts		<u>71,374</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,011</u>	<u>78,385</u>	<u>68,207</u>
Payments						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	94,096	-	8,173	102,269	101,495
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	3,704	-	300	4,004	4,438
Total payments		<u>97,800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,473</u>	<u>106,273</u>	<u>105,933</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		(26,426)	-	(1,462)	(27,888)	(37,726)
Transfers between funds	5	795	-	(795)	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>(25,631)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,257)</u>	<u>(27,888)</u>	<u>(37,726)</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		51,711	-	4,941	56,652	94,378
Cash funds at this year end	A	<u>26,080</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,684</u>	<u>28,764</u>	<u>56,652</u>

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

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £		
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access	25,750	-	2,684	28,435	56,087
Prepaid cards	329	-	-	329	565
	<u>26,080</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,684</u>	<u>28,764</u>	<u>56,652</u>
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity	8,901	-	509	9,410	19,875
Other debtors and prepayments	2,700	-	-	2,700	-
	<u>11,601</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>12,110</u>	<u>19,875</u>
C Liabilities					
Falling due within one year:					
Pension due	83	-	-	83	490
Rent due on Talbot Lane	-	-	-	-	2,700
Fee for Independent Examination	1,164	-	-	1,164	1,110
Accrued expenses	101	-	-	101	391
	<u>1,348</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,348</u>	<u>4,691</u>
D Assets retained for charity's own use					
				Value 2025 £	Value 2024 £
Contents, equipment and stock				26,293	32,211
				<u>26,293</u>	<u>32,211</u>

The trustees have used insurance values for contents and equipment as the trustees are unable to reliably estimate current values; insurance values may differ materially from current values.

E Guarantees and secured debts

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

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

by Peter Sturrock
Peter Sturrock (Jan 27, 2026 21:03:51 GMT)

date Jan 27, 2026

Peter Sturrock

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

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

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

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted Funds £		
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly					
Employment	51,684	-	-	51,684	44,089
Leadership expenses and training	1,487	-	-	1,487	2,060
<i>Growbaby ministry:</i>					
Rent and other building costs	7,012	-	8,173	15,185	11,947
Growbaby ministry expenses (inc. utilities)	3,264	-	-	3,264	1,553
Church rent	18,093	-	-	18,093	19,938
Other church ministry expenses	6,003	-	-	6,003	7,981
Worship	160	-	-	160	440
Admin and support costs, including IT and equipment	3,000	-	-	3,000	3,795
Insurance (inc. Growbaby)	2,236	-	-	2,236	5,082
Governance	1,156	-	-	1,156	1,120
Other costs	-	-	-	-	612
	<u>94,096</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,173</u>	<u>102,269</u>	<u>98,615</u>
3 Grants and gifts paid to others					
Organisations:					
VCUKI	2,880	-	-	2,880	4,680
Individuals	824	-	300	1,124	2,638
	<u>3,704</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>4,004</u>	<u>7,318</u>
4 Transactions with related parties					

The spouse of trustee Thomas Bird, was paid £24,163 plus £725 in pension contributions [2024: £22,528 and £709 in pension contributions] in her capacity as Senior Pastor; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document. In addition to this, £826 [2024: £1,182] was paid for cleaning part of their property which was used for charitable purposes.

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5 Movement of funds	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
General funds	51,711	71,374	(97,800)	795	26,080
	<u>51,711</u>	<u>71,374</u>	<u>(97,800)</u>	<u>795</u>	<u>26,080</u>
Restricted funds					
Missionary support Uganda	893	2,488	(300)	(640)	2,441
DTI	-	399	-	(155)	244
Growbaby ministry	4,048	4,125	(8,173)	-	-
	<u>4,941</u>	<u>7,011</u>	<u>(8,473)</u>	<u>(795)</u>	<u>2,684</u>
Total funds	<u>56,652</u>	<u>78,385</u>	<u>(106,273)</u>	<u>(0)</u>	<u>28,764</u>

Growbaby ministry gives free good quality second-hand baby clothes and equipment to families in need.

Missionary support Uganda provides financial support to missionaries from the church, who help run a medical facility in Uganda. The transfer to general funds corrects unidentified restricted payments that were made in the financial year 2022/23.

DTI (Dreaming the Impossible) is a youth festival open to all churches run by Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland. During the financial year 2023/24, £155.01 in gift aid was paid over to DTI from general funds, in anticipation of the receipt of gift aid on the restricted donations. This was not received until 2024/25 and totalled £398.75. The transfer from the restricted DTI fund to general funds is to account for the previous advance payment from general funds to cover anticipated gift aid.

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We have also been meeting weekly in small groups, early morning prayer groups and monthly as a women's breakfast and prayer group, and we baptised 3 of our young people.

Church events include, for the men; curry nights, for the women; craft nights and a ladies night out linked to 'Compassion' the charity. Activities bringing the whole church family together include; family walks, picnic, Sports Day and Brunch Sundays. The youth also joined with another local Vineyard to attend Dreaming the Impossible (DTI) youth festival, where several of our congregation volunteered on team to help make the festival happen.

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In this period, we have also financially supported further afield and give to a medical facility in Kisiizi, Uganda where we have a family from Church as missionaries there. This family shared their experiences and encouraged the congregation at our Mission Service when they returned over the summer.

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

Approval

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Peter F m Sturrock (Jan 27, 2025 12:49 GMT)

Peter Sturrock

Date: Jan 27, 2025

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Sarah Crispin

Sarah Crispin (Jan 28, 2025 14:53 GMT)

Sarah Crispin ACA

Stewardship
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Date: Jan 28, 2025

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		General Funds	Designated Funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
Income receipts						
Donations		57,949	-	10,209	68,158	54,080
Gift aid receipts		-	-	-	-	56,363
Other		49	-	-	49	-
		<u>57,998</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,209</u>	<u>68,207</u>	<u>110,444</u>
Total receipts		<u>57,998</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,209</u>	<u>68,207</u>	<u>110,444</u>
Payments						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	99,359	-	2,136	101,495	80,123
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	268	-	4,170	4,438	10,493
		<u>99,626</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,306</u>	<u>105,933</u>	<u>90,617</u>
Total payments		<u>99,626</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,306</u>	<u>105,933</u>	<u>90,617</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		(41,629)	-	3,903	(37,726)	19,827
Transfers between funds	5	(155)	-	155	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>(41,784)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,058</u>	<u>(37,726)</u>	<u>19,827</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		93,495	-	883	94,378	74,550
Cash funds at this year end	A	<u>51,711</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,941</u>	<u>56,652</u>	<u>94,378</u>

The notes on pages 7 - 8 form part of these accounts.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £		
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access	51,146	-	4,941	56,087	93,837
Prepaid cards	565	-	-	565	541
	<u>51,711</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,941</u>	<u>56,652</u>	<u>94,378</u>
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity	19,875	-	-	19,875	3,803
Other debtors and prepayments	-	-	-	-	1,800
	<u>19,875</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,875</u>	<u>5,603</u>
C Liabilities					
Falling due within one year:					
Pension due	490	-	-	490	66
Rent due on Talbot Lane	2,700	-	-	2,700	-
Fee for Independent Examination	1,110	-	-	1,110	1,080
Accrued expenses	391	-	-	391	827
	<u>4,691</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,691</u>	<u>1,973</u>
D Assets retained for charity's own use					
				Value 2024 £	Value 2023 £
Contents, equipment and stock				32,211	28,154
				<u>32,211</u>	<u>28,154</u>

The trustees have used insurance values for contents and equipment as the trustees are unable to reliably estimate current values; insurance values may differ materially from current values.

E Guarantees and secured debts

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

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

by Peter F m Sturrock date Jan 27, 2025
Peter F m Sturrock (Jan 27, 2025 12:49 GMT)
 Peter Sturrock

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

		<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		General funds	Designated funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly						
Employment	Note 4	44,089	-	-	44,089	12,719
Leadership expenses and training	Note 4	2,060	-	-	2,060	6,451
<i>Growbaby ministry:</i>						
Rent and other building costs (incl. utilities)		11,358	-	589	11,947	16,071
Growbaby ministry expenses		6	-	1,547	1,553	5,003
Church rent		19,938	-	-	19,938	19,560
Other church ministry expenses		7,981	-	-	7,981	8,902
Worship		440	-	-	440	1,302
5% VCUKI contribution		2,880	-	-	2,880	2,880
Admin and support costs, including IT and equipment		3,795	-	-	3,795	4,470
Insurance (inc. Growbaby)		5,082	-	-	5,082	356
Governance		1,120	-	-	1,120	2,087
Other costs		612	-	-	612	322
		<u>99,359</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,136</u>	<u>101,495</u>	<u>80,123</u>
3 Grants and gifts paid to others						
Organisations:						
VCUKI		-	-	1,800	1,800	3,000
Individuals		268	-	2,370	2,638	7,493
		<u>268</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,170</u>	<u>4,438</u>	<u>10,493</u>
4 Transactions with related parties						

The spouse of trustee Thomas Bird, was paid £22,528 [2023: £6,656] in her capacity as Senior Pastor; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document. In addition to this, £1,182 [2023: £1,677] was paid for cleaning part of their property which was used for charitable purposes.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

5 Movement of funds	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
General funds	93,495	57,998	(99,626)	(155)	51,711
	<u>93,495</u>	<u>57,998</u>	<u>(99,626)</u>	<u>(155)</u>	<u>51,711</u>
Restricted funds					
Missionary support Uganda	883	2,380	(2,370)	-	893
DTI	-	1,645	(1,800)	155	-
Growbaby ministry	-	6,184	(2,136)	-	4,048
	<u>883</u>	<u>10,209</u>	<u>(6,306)</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>4,941</u>
Total funds	<u>94,378</u>	<u>68,207</u>	<u>(105,933)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>56,652</u>

Growbaby ministry gives free good quality second-hand baby clothes and equipment to families in need.
Missionary support Uganda provides financial support to missionaries from the church, who help run a medical facility in Uganda.
DTI (Dreaming the Impossible) is a youth festival open to all churches run by Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH

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LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	29 Park Crescent Oadby Leicester LE2 5YJ
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO Constitution dated 28 November 2018
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1180879
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Thomas Bird Oliver Bennett Robert Radford (appointed September 2022) Peter Sturrock
BANKERS	Barclays Bank UK PLC
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Jaimée Young Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Objects of the charity

The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal objects, as set out in its governing document, are to advance the Christian faith in the UK and elsewhere.

Review of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

We have had weekly Sunday Church services, with groups for kids and youth as well as special services such as Easter and Christmas. We have dedicated several children and had our first 3 baptisms. Our focus in this period has been rebuilding teams, but we have also been focussing on small groups since the pandemic, starting with prayer and worship evenings, women's breakfast and prayer group and a spiritual gifts course.

Church events include, for the men; walk & curry, for the women; craft night and curry. And for all; family walk, picnic, Sports Day and Brunch Sundays.

We seek to be a positive influence and blessing to Leicester and as such we have developed a compassion ministry, Growbaby, giving free good quality second-hand baby clothes and equipment to families in need. We lease a space at Talbot Lane in the centre of Leicester to facilitate this venture.

Further afield we financially support missionaries (sent from our church) who help run a medical facility in Uganda.

Unity with the other churches in the city is important to us. One of our pastors joins with other church leaders in the city to pray and we also participate in the Praying for Leicestershire events, encouraging churches to come together and pray for the county.

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

Financial review

During the year income increased by £43,820, to £110,440 (owing to a recovery of gift aid amounting to £56,360), and expenditure increased by £2,860, to £90,620. As a result the cash held by the charity increased by £19,830, to £94,380, of which £93,500 is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

The trustees continue to monitor income and expenditure closely and, if it becomes necessary, will take measures to mitigate any financial impact. The charity has not had to make any redundancies.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than 3 months of quarterly fixed costs (which equates to approximately £18,100) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £94,500 and the charity is complying with its reserves policy.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to the senior pastors. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

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

Approval

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

P. Sturrock

Peter Sturrock

Date: 22 January 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Leicester Vineyard Church ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 on pages 5 to 8 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

J. Young

Jaimée Young

Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
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Date: 23 January 2024

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		General Funds	Designated Funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
Income receipts						
Donations		51,290	-	2,790	54,080	66,622
Gift aid receipts		55,168	-	1,195	56,363	-
Total receipts		<u>106,459</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,985</u>	<u>110,444</u>	<u>66,622</u>
Payments						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	79,811	-	313	80,123	55,233
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	7,433	-	3,060	10,493	32,524
Total payments		<u>87,244</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,373</u>	<u>90,617</u>	<u>87,757</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		19,215	-	613	19,827	(21,135)
Transfers between funds	5	0	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>19,215</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>613</u>	<u>19,827</u>	<u>(21,135)</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		74,280	-	270	74,550	95,685
Cash funds at this year end	A	<u>93,495</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>883</u>	<u>94,378</u>	<u>74,550</u>

The notes on pages 7 - 8 form part of these accounts.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £		
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access	92,955	-	883	93,837	74,317
Prepaid cards	541	-	-	541	234
	<u>93,495</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>883</u>	<u>94,378</u>	<u>74,550</u>
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity	3,803	-	-	3,803	44,360
Other debtors and prepayments	1,800	-	-	1,800	1,928
	<u>5,603</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,603</u>	<u>46,288</u>
C Liabilities					
Falling due within one year:					
Pension due	66	-	-	66	44
Fee for Independent Examination	1,080	-	-	1,080	1,673
Accrued expenses	827	-	-	827	2,049
	<u>1,973</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,973</u>	<u>3,767</u>
D Assets retained for charity's own use					
				Value 2023 £	Value 2022 £
Contents, equipment and stock				28,154	17,144
				<u>28,154</u>	<u>17,144</u>

The trustees have used insurance values for contents and equipment as the trustees are unable to reliably estimate current values; insurance values may differ materially from current values.

E Guarantees and secured debts

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

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

by P. Sturrock date 22 January 2024

Peter Sturrock

The notes on pages 7 - 8 form part of these accounts.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

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		<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
		General funds £	Designated funds £			
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly						
Employment	Note 4	12,719	-	-	12,719	11,573
Leadership expenses and training		6,451	-	-	6,451	2,466
<i>Growbaby ministry:</i>						
Rent and other building costs (incl. utilities)		16,071	-	-	16,071	8,000
Growbaby ministry expenses		4,691	-	313	5,003	4,488
Church rent		19,560	-	-	19,560	11,226
Other church ministry expenses		8,902	-	-	8,902	4,877
Worship		1,302	-	-	1,302	1,025
5% VCUKI contribution		2,880	-	-	2,880	3,531
Admin and support costs, including IT and equipment insurance (excl. Growbaby)		4,470	-	-	4,470	5,800
Governance		356	-	-	356	307
Other costs		2,087	-	-	2,087	720
		322	-	-	322	1,221
		<u>79,811</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>313</u>	<u>80,123</u>	<u>55,233</u>

3 Grants and gifts paid to others

<i>Organisations:</i>						
VCUKI		3,000	-	-	3,000	2,915
Tearfund		-	-	-	-	10,000
222 Ministries		-	-	-	-	5,000
Open Hands		-	-	-	-	5,000
Goldhill Foodbank		-	-	-	-	782
Organisations < £1,000		-	-	-	-	120
Individuals	Note 4	4,433	-	3,060	7,493	8,707
		<u>7,433</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>10,493</u>	<u>32,524</u>

4 Transactions with related parties

The spouse of trustee Thomas Bird, was paid £6,656 [2022: £6,656] in her capacity as Senior Pastor; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document. In addition to this, £1,677 [2022: £1,716] was paid for cleaning part of their property which was used for charitable purposes and £2,000 was also paid to them as a support gift (this was approved by unconflicted trustees in January 2020, prior to employment).

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

5 Movement of funds

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
General funds	74,280	106,459	(87,244)	0	93,495
	<u>74,280</u>	<u>106,459</u>	<u>(87,244)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>93,495</u>
Restricted funds					
Missionary support Uganda	270	3,673	(3,060)	-	883
Growbaby ministry	-	313	(313)	-	-
	<u>270</u>	<u>3,985</u>	<u>(3,373)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>883</u>
Total funds	<u>74,550</u>	<u>110,444</u>	<u>(90,617)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>94,378</u>

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CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1180879
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Thomas Bird Oliver Bennett Robert Radford (appointed September 2022) Peter Sturrock Anne Thornley (resigned December 2021)
BANKERS	Barclays Bank UK PLC
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Jaimée Young Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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

Objects of the charity

The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal objects, as set out in its governing document, are to advance the Christian faith in the UK and elsewhere.

Review of the charity's main activities and achievements

From April 2021 to July 2021, the charity continued to follow COVID Government guidelines and adapt our Church meetings accordingly. We had weekly Churchwide zoom meetings, alongside online special services e.g. Easter and socials. Small groups met online until guidelines permitted meeting in person outside. We provided resources and online groups for our kids and youth whilst unable to meet in person.

We sent out a weekly church email, filling it with resources, kid's activities, worship playlists, book recommendations, encouraging quotes and stories and opportunities to pray for anyone in need and bless our communities.

In July 2021 we had our first outdoor in-person services at the school in over 15 months. Guidelines limited numbers to 30 people, so we had 2 services to accommodate more people.

At the beginning of September 2021, we were able to start weekly face to face Sunday morning services at Sir Jonathan North College. With several measures in place to ensure people felt safe to gather, including hand sanitiser stations, increased room ventilation, mask wearing, spaced chairs and individual refreshments served. We returned to hiring their dining hall for the main service and classrooms for the kids and youth groups, with an advance sign in to ensure enough team and space. Returning to meeting face to face, we have been focussed on rebuilding Church, encouraging people back in, to gather, to serve and 'be Church'.

Unity with the other churches in the city is important to us. One of our pastors joins with other church leaders in the city to pray and we also participate in the Praying for Leicestershire events, encouraging churches to come together and pray for the county.

We seek to be a positive influence and blessing to the wider city of Leicester. We financially support Safe Families, but also members of the Church give their time to befriend families in crisis. We collect food for Gold Hill Foodbank regularly and further afield give to a medical facility in Kisiizi, Uganda and 'Love the One' in India. In addition, during the pandemic, we did not need to pay our venue rent, so we set aside money to start our compassion ministry. At the end of November, we secured renting a space in Talbot Lane Leicester to set up our Growbaby outreach, giving free good quality second-hand baby clothes and equipment to families in need.

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

Financial review

During the year income decreased by £23,800, to £66,600, and expenditure increased by £47,000, to £87,800. As a result the cash held by the charity decreased by £21,100, to £74,550, of which £74,300 is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

The trustees continue to monitor income and expenditure closely and, if it becomes necessary, will take measures to mitigate any financial impact. The charity has not had to make any redundancies or use the furlough scheme throughout the pandemic.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £16,000 (which equates to about 3 months' of unrestricted fixed costs and salaries) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £74,300 and the charity is complying with its reserves policy.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to the senior pastors. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

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

Approval

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

Peter Sturrock

Date: 29 January 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Leicester Vineyard Church ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2022 on pages 5 to 8 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jaimée Young

Stewardship
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Date: 30 January 2023

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
		General Funds	Designated Funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
Income receipts						
Donations		61,342	-	5,280	66,622	90,387
Gift aid receipts		-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts		<u>61,342</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,280</u>	<u>66,622</u>	<u>90,387</u>
Payments						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	54,033	-	1,200	55,233	27,563
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	28,104	-	4,420	32,524	13,181
Total payments		<u>82,137</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,620</u>	<u>87,757</u>	<u>40,744</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		(20,795)	-	(340)	(21,135)	49,642
Transfers between funds	5	25,000	(25,000)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>4,205</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>	<u>(340)</u>	<u>(21,135)</u>	<u>49,642</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		70,075	25,000	610	95,685	46,043
Cash funds at this year end	A	<u>74,280</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>270</u>	<u>74,550</u>	<u>95,685</u>

The notes on pages 7 - 8 form part of these accounts.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £		
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access	74,047	-	270	74,317	95,167
Prepaid cards	234	-	-	234	518
	<u>74,280</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>270</u>	<u>74,550</u>	<u>95,685</u>
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity	44,360	-	-	44,360	40,387
Other debtors and prepayments	1,928	-	-	1,928	-
	<u>46,288</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,288</u>	<u>40,387</u>
C Liabilities					
Falling due within one year:					
PAYE/NI and pension due	44	-	-	44	-
Fee for Independent Examination	1,673	-	-	1,673	1,502
Accrued expenses	2,049	-	-	2,049	-
	<u>3,767</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,767</u>	<u>1,502</u>
D Assets retained for charity's own use					
				Value 2022 £	Value 2021 £
Contents and equipment				<u>17,144</u>	<u>16,326</u>
				<u>17,144</u>	<u>16,326</u>

The trustees have used insurance values as the trustees are unable to reliably estimate current values; insurance values may differ materially from current values.

E Guarantees and secured debts

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

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

by Peter Sturrock date 29 January 2023

The notes on pages 7 - 8 form part of these accounts.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly					
Employment	11,573	-	-	11,573	5,314
<i>Growbaby ministry:</i>					
Rent and other building costs (incl. utilities)	8,000	-	-	8,000	-
Growbaby ministry	3,288	-	1,200	4,488	-
Church rent	11,226	-	-	11,226	500
Other ministry expenses	4,877	-	-	4,877	2,815
Worship	1,025	-	-	1,025	9,114
5% VCUKI contribution	3,531	-	-	3,531	2,808
Admin and support costs, including IT and equipment insurance (excl. Growbaby)	5,800	-	-	5,800	3,599
Governance	720	-	-	720	-
Other costs	3,687	-	-	3,687	3,089
	<u>54,033</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>55,233</u>	<u>27,563</u>

3 Grants and gifts paid to others

Organisations:					
VCUKI	2,915	-	-	2,915	2,000
Tearfund	10,000	-	-	10,000	-
222 Ministries	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
Open Hands	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
Goldhill Foodbank	722	-	60	782	1,967
Organisations < £1,000	120	-	-	120	1,750
Individuals	4,347	-	4,360	8,707	7,464
	<u>28,104</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,420</u>	<u>32,524</u>	<u>13,181</u>

4 Transactions with related parties

Joy Bird, spouse of trustee Thomas Bird, was paid £6,656 [2021: £527] in her capacity as Senior Pastor; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document. In addition to this, £1,716 was paid for the cleaning part of their property which was used for charitable purposes.

No payments were made to any other trustees or persons related to them, except for reimbursement of expenses paid out on behalf of the charity.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

5 Movement of funds

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
General funds	70,075	61,342	(82,137)	25,000	74,280
Designated funds					
Leased building	25,000	-	-	(25,000)	-
	<u>95,075</u>	<u>61,342</u>	<u>(82,137)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,280</u>
Restricted funds					
Missionary support Uganda	610	4,020	(4,360)	-	270
Goldhill Foodbank	-	60	(60)	-	-
Growbaby ministry	-	1,200	(1,200)	-	-
	<u>610</u>	<u>5,280</u>	<u>(5,620)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>270</u>
Total funds	<u>95,685</u>	<u>66,622</u>	<u>(87,757)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,550</u>

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH

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LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	29 Park Crescent Oadby Leicester LE2 5YJ
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO Constitution dated 28 November 2018
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1180879
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Thomas Bird Oliver Bennett Timothy Couper (resigned October 2020) Peter Sturrock Anne Thornley (resigned December 2021)
BANKERS	Barclays Bank UK PLC
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Jaimée Young Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Objects of the charity

The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal objects, as set out in its governing document, are to advance the Christian faith in the UK and elsewhere.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

In March 2020, the charity took steps (in line with government advice) to help contain the nationwide outbreak of Covid-19. This included the temporary suspension of all physical gatherings, and the charity has had to curtail, or change, how it operates; the charity has been able to continue some of its activities using on-line media. There has been no significant impact on net income during the period, nonetheless the trustees are continuing to monitor income and expenditure closely and, if it becomes necessary, will take measures to mitigate any financial impact. The charity has not had to make any redundancies or use the furlough scheme.

At the beginning of the pandemic, the church was meeting weekly on a Sunday morning at Sir Jonathan North College, hiring the dining hall and classrooms for kids and youth groups. From March 22nd 2020 onwards, we were unable to meet face to face on a Sunday, mainly due to being based in Leicester with a very high infection rate and lockdown being extended in our area.

As lockdown continued, we took all our gatherings on-line, via Zoom. Sunday evening services with worship, prayer and a short talk. Kids and youth groups met midweek on-line via zoom and our early morning prayer meeting and small groups continued. We also hosted Quiz nights for Church where people could invite friends and family.

We encouraged people to be looking for opportunities to be a blessing in their community, and keeping an eye on those vulnerable, the elderly/lonely.

We started a weekly church email, filling it with resources, kid's activities, worship playlists, book recommendations, encouraging quotes and stories and opportunities to pray for anyone in need and bless our communities.

In Sep 2020 we launched our first on-line Alpha course, where people could come and ask questions of faith. We had several groups, it went so well, another one began in March 2021.

We seek to be a positive influence and blessing to the wider city of Leicester. We financially support a local charity, Safe Families, and members of the Church give their time to befriend families in crisis as part of the charity's activities. We collected food for Gold Hill Foodbank regularly and further afield supported various overseas charities including a medical facility in Kisiizi, Uganda and Love the One in India.

Unity with the other churches in the city is important to us. One of our pastors meets regularly with some of the other church leaders in the city to pray and we also participate in the Praying for Leicestershire event, encouraging churches to come together and pray for the county.

In the opinion of the trustees, our finances remain healthy. Ongoing running costs were reduced as a consequence of the pandemic, which has enabled us to be more generous within the city and further afield. Our volunteers have been eager to help with vaccination centres and foodbanks locally and we have been able to support local, national and international charities.

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

Financial review

During the year income decreased by £14,100, to £90,400, and expenditure decreased by £17,700, to £40,700. As a result the cash held by the charity increased by £46,000, to £95,700, of which £95,100 is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £12,000 (which equates to about 3 months' of unrestricted wages and expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £95,100 and the charity is holding excess funds for the purpose of a new leased building after the year end.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to the senior pastors. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

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

Approval

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

Peter Sturrock

Date: 31 January 2022

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Leicester Vineyard Church ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2021 on pages 5 to 8 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Jaimée Young

Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
LONDON
EC1Y 8AB

Date: 31 January 2022

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Notes	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
	General Funds £	Designated Funds £			
Income receipts					
Donations	83,023	-	7,364	90,387	104,483
Gift aid receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	<u>83,023</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,364</u>	<u>90,387</u>	<u>104,483</u>
Payments					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	27,513	-	50	27,563	55,589
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	6,477	-	6,704	13,181	2,850
Total payments	<u>33,990</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,754</u>	<u>40,744</u>	<u>58,439</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers	49,032	-	610	49,642	46,043
Transfers between funds	(25,000)	25,000	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	<u>24,032</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>610</u>	<u>49,642</u>	<u>46,043</u>
Cash funds as at last year end	46,043	-	-	46,043	-
Cash funds at this year end	<u>70,075</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>610</u>	<u>95,685</u>	<u>46,043</u>

The notes on pages 7 - 8 form part of these accounts.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>				
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access	69,557	25,000	610	95,167	45,525
Prepaid cards	518	-	-	518	518
	<u>70,075</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>610</u>	<u>95,685</u>	<u>46,043</u>
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity	40,387	-	-	40,387	22,500
	<u>40,387</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,387</u>	<u>22,500</u>
C Liabilities					
Falling due within one year:					
Fee for Independent Examination	1,502	-	-	1,502	720
	<u>1,502</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,502</u>	<u>720</u>
D Assets retained for charity's own use					
				Value 2021 £	Value 2020 £
Contents and equipment				16,326	14,000
				<u>16,326</u>	<u>14,000</u>

The trustees have used insurance values as the trustees are unable to reliably estimate current values; insurance values may differ materially from current values.

E Guarantees and secured debts

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

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

by Peter Sturrock date 31 January 2022

The notes on pages 7 - 8 form part of these accounts.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting policies

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

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

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly					
Employment costs	5,314	-	-	5,314	870
Direct Church costs	2,815	-	-	2,815	10,611
Rent	500	-	-	500	22,332
Worship	9,114	-	-	9,114	2,959
5% VCUKI contribution	2,808	-	-	2,808	3,190
Other direct costs	3,039	-	50	3,089	2,391
Admin and support costs	3,923	-	-	3,923	7,586
Purchase of equipment	-	-	-	-	5,650
	<u>27,513</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>27,563</u>	<u>55,589</u>
3 Grants and gifts paid to others					
Organisations:					
VCUKI	2,000	-	-	2,000	2,100
Goldhill Foodbank	1,827	-	140	1,967	500
Organisations < £1,000	1,750	-	-	1,750	250
Individuals	900	-	6,564	7,464	-
	<u>6,477</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,704</u>	<u>13,181</u>	<u>2,850</u>
4 Transactions with related parties					

Joy Bird, spouse of trustee Thomas Bird, was paid £527 in her capacity as Senior Pastor; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document.

No payments were made to any other trustees or persons related to them, except for reimbursement of expenses paid out on behalf of the charity.

LEICESTER VINEYARD CHURCH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

5 Movement of funds

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
General funds	46,043	83,023	(33,990)	(25,000)	70,075
Designated funds					
Leased building	-	-	-	25,000	25,000
	<u>46,043</u>	<u>83,023</u>	<u>(33,990)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>95,075</u>
Restricted funds					
Missionary support Uganda	-	7,174	(6,564)	-	610
Goldhill Foodbank	-	140	(140)	-	-
Other	-	50	(50)	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>7,364</u>	<u>(6,754)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>610</u>
Total funds	<u>46,043</u>	<u>90,387</u>	<u>(40,744)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>95,685</u>