

# LEASIDE CHURCH WARE

England & Wales · Charity number 1181223

## Details

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**Other names** LEASIDE CHURCH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2018-12-17

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PURPOSE OF THE CHARITY IS TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF THE PARTICIPATING CHURCHES. IN ACHIEVING ITS PURPOSE, THE CHARITY WILL ENGAGE IN A RANGE OF ACTIVITIES, EITHER ON ITS OWN OR WITH OTHERS, INCLUDING (BUT NOT RESTRICTED TO):A) THE CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC WORSHIP; B) THE TEACHING OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH; C) MISSION AND EVANGELISM; D) PASTORAL WORK, INCLUDING VISITING THE SICK AND THE BEREAVED; E) THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES WITH A CHRISTIAN ETHOS FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, INCLUDING (BUT NOT RESTRICTED TO) THE ELDERLY, THE YOUNG AND OTHER GROUPS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS; AND F) THE SUPPORT OF OTHER CHARITIES IN THE UK AND OVERSEAS.

**Activities:** Leaside is an open, welcoming church, seeking to live out Christian discipleship in worship and mission, providing:public worship, open to all; a home for community groups; pastoral care as needs are known; active support for initiatives eg Street Pastors; weekly community drop-in, including bereavement support; welcoming especially the elderly and those with special needs.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Hertfordshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£95,337	£76,456	-	-
2023-08-31	£106,255	£94,390	-	-
2022-08-31	£353,434	£93,759	-	-
2021-08-31	£231,781	£58,302	-	-
2020-08-31	£58,150	£69,676	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Elizabeth Anne Stockdale		2018-11-04
GRAHAM ROGER WATSON		2021-01-13
Gillian Mary Davis		2021-11-14
Mary Elizabeth Pick		2024-09-01
Pauline Mary Paris Pickering		2021-11-14
Rev Frank Okai-Sam		2024-09-01
Stephen John Brazier		2013-11-11
Tony Gubb		2017-11-05
Wendy Janice Cooper		2014-11-10

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Basic safety measures were kept in place for all users of the premises.

*Involvement of members in a number of different outreach activities in the town including Street Pastors, Ware Food Bank, and Fairtrade Town.*

Supported by the church, members of the congregation continued to be very actively involved during the year, particularly with the increasing need for the Food Bank.

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### **Future plans**

The church will seek the guidance and support of Synod staff as it considers where its future mission is leading.

Consideration will be given to employing a caretaker, and a Mission Enabler, with funding support from the wider Ecumenical Area.

## Leaside Church Meeting 17.03.2024

### Minutes

**Present:** Graham Watson; Wendy Cooper; Christine Edwards; Julia Gristwood; Gill Davis; Stephen Brazier, Chris Tilbury, Heather Twidle, Ed O'Connor, Mary Pick, Christine Davison, Rosemary Stannard, John Seager, Pam Pentney, Tony Gubb, Keith Street, Jennifer Cameron, Marion Darville, Doreen Green, Rev Jo Clare-Young, Pauline Pickering (Minutes and chair)

**Apologies:** Elizabeth Stockdale, Rev. Ernie Bossé, John Amos, Robyn Bossé, Chris Winney, Alison Brazier.

**Opening Devotions:** Pauline led in a prayer for guidance.

**Minutes of meeting 05.11.2023.** Accepted

#### **Matters Arising and notice of AOB:**

None

*(the focus of the meeting is Mission and Purpose so the usual agenda will not apply)*

**Welcome Rev. Jo Clare-Young:** Jo introduced herself as a URC minister who is currently responsible for Training and Mission at URC Synod. She is currently visiting all the Churches in the region to talk about mission and going forward. She used the Bible story from John 21 'cast your net on the other side'.

Jo asked the Church to concentrate on firstly what is working well and not to fall into the trap of doing what we've always done. She stressed that individuals can't do this alone, that we are a team.

Jo then asked the meeting to focus on what we are currently good at:

Tuesday mornings for coffee, bereavement support and Bric a Brac.

Very friendly

Supportive

We are a family

Good buildings in a good location

High usage and broad networks

Charitable

Community events – Christmas Tree Festival, Strawberry Tea.

Part of the community

Commitment to worship

Solid worship team

Zoom

Rev Ernie Bossé and his wife Robyn

Jo then asked us to think about what we can do more of to utilize the talents we have, what can we build on? What are we enthusiastic about?

God and sharing God's Love

Less talking and more doing and being

Our organist

What is currently happening in our town? We need to go out into the deep waters which is going to be scary. Over the next few weeks we need to look around and sharpen our awareness of what would benefit our town. Prayer is a good place to start.

In the John reading the disciples called in the other boats to help them with the catch. What are other Churches doing and doing well. How can we complement each other.

Perhaps smaller groups could get together to map the town and identify where we can be of service.

God will provide Time, Money and Personnel.

Perhaps a permanent prayer tree in the town?

Practical help for people. Mobile Laundrette?

Jo asked if we had three wishes as a church:

A caretaker

Enthusiasm

More people

Possibly employ someone for mission and outreach

Time for God offers opportunities to gap year students – this might be something to look into.

Someone to liaise with local groups

Talk to people.

Closer links with Leaside Under Fives Kindergarten.

We need to hear the voice on the beach, and to allow ourselves to stop and admire the view, then get together with ideas. It is suggested that smaller groups are formed to look at the way forward in more specific detail.

Meeting closed at 12.45 with a vote of thanks to Jo.

Next Meeting: April 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm Council.

# **Leaside Church**

## **End of Year Financial Statements**

**Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

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Development Scheme	—	—	—	—	—
Spec Collections	—	430	—	430	838
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Building Maintenance	27,245	—	—	27,245	24,540
Worship	367	—	—	367	2,088
Communion Fund	—	833	—	833	426
Utilities	22,196	—	—	22,196	14,598
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>76,172</b>	<b>18,217</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>94,390</b>	<b>93,759</b>
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>19,150</b>	<b>(7,285)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>11,865</b>	<b>259,675</b>
<b>Transfers</b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>					
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
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<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General fund	74,961	—	—	74,961	65,811
<b>Designated</b>					
Building Contingency	5,000	—	—	5,000	5,000
Development	100,300	—	—	100,300	100,300
Legacy	10,000	—	—	10,000	—
Petty Cash	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Restricted</b>					
Communion Fund	—	178	—	178	41
Development Fund	—	(248,760)	—	(248,760)	(236,376)
IA TRUST	—	15,948	—	15,948	11,418
Manse Fund	—	8,952	—	8,952	8,952
Special Collections	—	580	—	580	149
<b>Endowment</b>					
Isabel Adams transfer	—	—	240,000	240,000	240,000

## Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
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5000	HSBC Current Account	18,733	24,478
5025	Cash in Hand	—	—
5050	Barclays Current Account	—	2,184
5100	CFB Deposit Account	188,427	168,633
5150	Petty Cash	—	—
	<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>207,161</b>	<b>195,296</b>
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8000	Eastern Synod loan	—	—
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<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>						
Eastern Synod loan -	—	—	240,000	(240,000)	—	—
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Leaside Church

On accounts for the year ended

31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

Charity no (if any)

1181223

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2023

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- 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.

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

Signed:

C. J. Errington

Date:

OCT. 16th 2023

Name:

CHRISTOPHER ERRINGTON.

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

NONE

Address:

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Signed:

C. J. Errington

Date:

OCT. 16th 2023

Name:

CHRISTOPHER ERRINGTON.

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

NONE

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HERTFORD

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# **Leaside Church**

## **End of Year Financial Statements**

**Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

• **Statement of Financial Activities**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations	1,877	—	—	1,877	586
Investments	5,394	—	—	5,394	240,789
Other income	19,359	9,530	—	28,889	12,380
Offerings	31,429	—	—	31,429	29,980
Manse	346	—	—	346	32,572
Lettings	33,657	—	—	33,657	32,436
Development Scheme	—	—	—	—	—
Spec Collections	—	430	—	430	838
Fund Raising	3,258	—	—	3,258	3,384
Communion Fund	—	971	—	971	467
<b>Total income</b>	<b>95,323</b>	<b>10,932</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>106,255</b>	<b>353,434</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Other expenditure	4,634	5,000	—	9,634	3,243
Ministry	21,000	—	—	21,000	18,000
Manse	346	—	—	346	23,620
Mission	382	—	—	382	893
Church	—	—	—	—	—
Halls	—	—	—	—	—
Development Scheme	—	12,384	—	12,384	6,349
Building Maintenance	27,245	—	—	27,245	24,540
Worship	367	—	—	367	2,088
Communion Fund	—	833	—	833	426
Utilities	22,196	—	—	22,196	14,598
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>76,172</b>	<b>18,217</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>94,390</b>	<b>93,759</b>
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>19,150</b>	<b>(7,285)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>11,865</b>	<b>259,675</b>
<b>Transfers</b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>					
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>19,150</b>	<b>(7,285)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>11,865</b>	<b>259,675</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>171,111</b>	<b>(215,815)</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>195,296</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>190,262</b>	<b>(223,100)</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>207,161</b>	<b>195,296</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General fund	74,961	—	—	74,961	65,811
<b>Designated</b>					
Building Contingency	5,000	—	—	5,000	5,000
Development	100,300	—	—	100,300	100,300
Legacy	10,000	—	—	10,000	—
Petty Cash	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Restricted</b>					
Communion Fund	—	178	—	178	41
Development Fund	—	(248,760)	—	(248,760)	(236,376)
IA TRUST	—	15,948	—	15,948	11,418
Manse Fund	—	8,952	—	8,952	8,952
Special Collections	—	580	—	580	149
<b>Endowment</b>					
Isabel Adams transfer	—	—	240,000	240,000	240,000

## Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
<b>Current assets</b>			
5000	HSBC Current Account	18,733	24,478
5025	Cash in Hand	—	—
5050	Barclays Current Account	—	2,184
5100	CFB Deposit Account	188,427	168,633
5150	Petty Cash	—	—
	<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>207,161</b>	<b>195,296</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
8000	Eastern Synod loan	—	—
8100	HAEBEA Loan	—	—
8200	Congregation Loans - 1 year	—	—
8300	Congregation Loans - 2 years	—	—
8400	Congregation Loans - 3 years	—	—
8500	Congregation Loans - 5 years	—	—
8600	Congregation Loans - 10 years	—	—
	<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
	<b>Net Asset surplus(deficit)</b>	<b>207,161</b>	<b>195,296</b>
<b>Reserves</b>			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	11,865	259,675
Z01	Starting balances	195,296	(64,379)
	<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>207,161</b>	<b>195,296</b>
	<b>Represented by funds</b>		
	Unrestricted	74,961	65,811
	Designated	115,300	105,300
	Restricted	(223,100)	(215,815)
	Endowment	240,000	240,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>207,161</b>	<b>195,296</b>

## Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b>						
HSBC Current Account -	35,509	(150)	(16,625)	—	18,733	24,478
Barclays Current Account -	—	—	—	—	—	2,184
CFB Deposit Account -	39,602	115,300	33,524	—	188,427	168,633
Petty Cash -	(150)	150	—	—	—	—
<b>Totals</b>	<b>74,961</b>	<b>115,300</b>	<b>16,899</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>207,161</b>	<b>195,296</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>						
Eastern Synod loan -	—	—	240,000	(240,000)	—	—
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>(240,000)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>74,961</b>	<b>115,300</b>	<b>(223,100)</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>207,161</b>	<b>195,296</b>

Note1 IA TRUST restricted fund is allocated to Ware Food Bank



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Leaside Church

On accounts for the year ended

31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

Charity no (if any)

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**LEASIDE CHURCH WARE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1181223

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# Accounts

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## Annual Report for the Financial Year ending 31 August 2022

### LEASIDE CHURCH WARE - 1181223

Leaside Walk, East Street, Ware, Hertfordshire SG12 9BT

#### Trustees at 31 August 2022

Ernest Bossé, Stephen Brazier, Wendy Cooper, Julia Gristwood, Tony Gubb, Edwin O'Connor, Pauline Pickering, Elizabeth Stockdale, Graham Watson.

#### Structure

The charity structure reflects the two Christian denominations comprising Leaside Church (the Methodist Church and the United Reformed Church). Trustees are the members of the Church Council which meets bi-monthly. Each is elected by Church Meeting to serve for three years, after which they may stand down or be eligible for re-election. Church Meeting of all members is held three times a year, one of which is the AGM when Trustees are appointed.

#### Activities, achievements and performance

Leaside has a reputation as a welcoming and caring church. Throughout the year, it continued to advance the Christian faith, living out discipleship in worship, teaching and mission. It endeavoured to ensure its charitable purpose was carried out in new, inclusive and relevant ways.

##### *Enabling the celebration of public worship, open to all*

The church was open for public worship throughout the year with the option to join by Zoom remaining. Services continued to be well supported. Following the closure of a church in the town, we were pleased to welcome several members to share in worship with us.

##### *Giving pastoral support to the congregation, those on the fringes of the church family and others in the wider community as needs are made known*

In September 2021, we welcomed our new Minister. His Induction Service was well attended by the congregation, representatives of the Ecumenical Area and the town. Throughout the year, the minister and group of pastoral carers ensured regular contact, especially with those in the congregation in particular need and more widely.

##### *Providing facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, particularly through the weekly community drop-in, including bereavement support*

Although Covid restrictions were being lifted, the basic safety measures were kept in place for all users of the premises. The Risk Assessment and Health and Safety Policy were updated.

An increasing variety and number of groups continued to use the premises during the week, including the Kindergarten.

Particularly appreciated was the weekly community drop-in, with 'the listening place' and bric-a-brac. Regular visitors included a group of special needs young adults with their carers. It remained a major part of the church's outreach to the community as life returned to some normality.

*Involvement of members in a number of different outreach activities in the town including Street Pastors and Ware Food Bank.*

Supported by the church, members of the congregation continued to be very actively involved during the year, particularly with the increasing need for the Food Bank.

*Holding community fundraising events*

In December 2021 we were able to hold the Ware Christmas Tree Festival again, with a variety of groups bringing a tree to display.

In July 2022 we held our popular Strawberry Tea.

Charitable donations were received on both occasions.

*Enabling support to other charities in the UK and overseas.*

Collections for charity were taken during the monthly Holy Communion services and on other occasions as appropriate.

### **Future plans**

Following the survey on future worship which supported the upgrading of the existing audio-visual facilities, the church will continue to grow its online presence as a tool for mission, including hybrid worship.

The church will share in discussion of how available funds in the Ecumenical Area might be used for mission.

**Leaside Church**  
**(Methodist & United Reformed)**

**End of Year Financial Statements**

**Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022**

• **Statement of Financial Activities**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations	586	—	—	586	11,427
Investments	789	—	240,000	240,789	23,899
Other income	961	11,418	—	12,380	3,671
Offerings	29,980	—	—	29,980	26,869
Manse	293	32,278	—	32,572	301
Lettings	32,436	—	—	32,436	23,597
Development Scheme	—	—	—	—	141,279
Spec Collections	—	838	—	838	735
Fund Raising	3,384	—	—	3,384	—
Communion Fund	—	467	—	467	—
<b>Total income</b>	<b>68,432</b>	<b>45,002</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>353,434</b>	<b>231,781</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Other expenditure	3,243	—	—	3,243	5,817
Ministry	18,000	—	—	18,000	18,000
Manse	293	23,326	—	23,620	330
Mission	55	838	—	893	55
Church	—	—	—	—	—
Halls	—	—	—	—	—
Development Scheme	—	6,349	—	6,349	5,707
Building Maintenance	24,540	—	—	24,540	22,588
Worship	2,088	—	—	2,088	—
Communion Fund	—	426	—	426	—
Utilities	14,598	—	—	14,598	5,803
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>62,819</b>	<b>30,940</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>93,759</b>	<b>58,302</b>
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>5,613</b>	<b>14,061</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>259,675</b>	<b>173,478</b>
<b>Transfers</b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>					
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>5,613</b>	<b>14,061</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>259,675</b>	<b>173,478</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>165,498</b>	<b>(229,877)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>171,111</b>	<b>(215,815)</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>195,296</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General fund	65,811	—	—	65,811	60,197
<b>Designated</b>					
Building Contingency	5,000	—	—	5,000	5,000
Development	100,300	—	—	100,300	100,300
<b>Restricted</b>					
Communion Fund	—	41	—	41	—
Development Fund	—	(236,376)	—	(236,376)	(230,026)
IA TRUST	—	11,418	—	11,418	—
Manse Fund	—	8,952	—	8,952	—
Special Collections	—	149	—	149	149
<b>Endowment</b>					
Isabel Adams transfer	—	—	240,000	240,000	—

## Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
<b>Current assets</b>			
5000	HSBC Current Account	24,478	54,857
5050	Barclays Current Account	2,184	57,692
5100	CFB Deposit Account	168,633	63,070
5150	Petty Cash	—	—
5200	Isabel Adams Funds	—	—
	<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>195,296</b>	<b>175,621</b>
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	Designated	105,300	105,300
	Restricted	(215,815)	(229,877)
	Endowment	240,000	—
	<b>Total</b>	<b>195,296</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>

## Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b>						
HSBC Current Account -	24,203	—	275	—	24,478	54,857
Barclays Current Account -	2,269	—	(85)	—	2,184	57,692
CFB Deposit Account -	39,338	105,300	23,994	—	168,633	63,070
<b>Totals</b>	<b>65,811</b>	<b>105,300</b>	<b>24,184</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>195,296</b>	<b>175,621</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>						
Eastern Synod loan -	—	—	240,000	(240,000)	—	240,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>(240,000)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>240,000</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>65,811</b>	<b>105,300</b>	<b>(215,815)</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>195,296</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>



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Signed:

C. J. [Signature]

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07 Oct 2022

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NONE

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**LEASIDE CHURCH WARE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1181223

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# Accounts

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## Annual Report for the Financial Year ending 31 August 2021

### LEASIDE CHURCH WARE - 1181223

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#### Trustees at 31 August 2021

Stephen Brazier, Ann Brookfield, Wendy Cooper, Julia Gristwood, Tony Gubb, Edwin O'Connor, Eleanor Seager, John Seager, Elizabeth Stockdale, Kathryn Taylor (until 31.12.2020), Graham Watson.

#### Structure

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Leaside has a reputation as a welcoming and caring church. Throughout the year, it continued to advance the Christian faith, living out discipleship in worship, teaching and mission. Faced with the ongoing challenges of the Coronavirus pandemic, it endeavoured to ensure its charitable purpose was carried out in new, inclusive and relevant ways.

##### *Enabling the celebration of public worship, open to all*

The church reopened for public worship in October 2020 with all precautions taken. The option to join by Zoom remained. New directives shortly before Christmas meant a return to services on Zoom for all until reopening on Easter Sunday 2021.

Services during closure continued to be well supported and additional worship resources appreciated.

Trustees regularly updated the congregation, ensuring views, particularly on reopening, were taken into account.

Several volunteers were trained to operate the Zoom system.

##### *Giving pastoral support to the congregation, those on the fringes of the church family and others in the wider community as needs are made known*

The minister and pastoral carers ensured contact was maintained when it was not possible to visit.

With the retirement of the minister in December 2020, the support of the Ecumenical Area was appreciated.

The process to call a new minister began in February 2021. Coronavirus restrictions meant all meetings with the candidate had to be on Zoom. We endeavoured to ensure throughout that those without Zoom access were fully involved in the discussions and decision. A unanimous call was issued on 24 March, to commence on 1 September 2021.

##### *Providing facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, particularly through the weekly community drop-in, including bereavement support*

Although the pandemic continued to affect the community groups using the premises, many were able to return when restrictions allowed. The Kindergarten operated throughout. Particularly appreciated was the July 2021 return of the weekly community drop-in.

In preparation for reopening, Protocol and Risk Assessments were drawn up, ensuring all regulations were followed in accordance with Government requirements and guidance from the constituent denominations.

*Involvement of members in a number of different outreach activities in the town including Street Pastors and Ware Food Bank.*

Although much of this work markedly changed in nature due to coronavirus restrictions, members of the congregation have continued to be actively involved during the year.

*Holding community fundraising events*

Regrettably, it was not possible to hold events.

*Enabling support to other charities in the UK and overseas.*

The number of benevolent donations was reduced due to the Coronavirus restrictions described above.

### **Future plans**

The church will expand its engagement with the community through the Community Centre facilities. We recognise that many groups have been struggling as a result of the coronavirus restrictions and, wherever possible, will seek to support our existing users during their return to use through advice and practical intervention e.g. support for risk assessment, provision of sanitisers.

The church will maintain and grow its online presence as a tool for mission by investing in the church AV facilities, including the use of hybrid worship; this will also enable wider community access.



**Signed** Elizabeth Stockdale - Trustee

**Leaside Church**

**End of Year Financial Statements**

**Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021**

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations	6,427	5,000	—	11,427	971
Investments	23,899	—	—	23,899	5,772
Other income	3,671	—	—	3,671	823
Offerings	26,225	644	—	26,869	16,497
Manse	301	—	—	301	310
Lettings	23,597	—	—	23,597	20,148
Development Scheme	—	141,279	—	141,279	13,001
Spec Collections	—	735	—	735	623
<b>Total income</b>	<b>84,123</b>	<b>147,658</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>231,781</b>	<b>58,150</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Other expenditure	5,082	735	—	5,817	2,723
Ministry	18,000	—	—	18,000	18,000
Manse	330	—	—	330	310
Mission	55	—	—	55	529
Church	—	—	—	—	—
Halls	—	—	—	—	—
Development Scheme	—	5,707	—	5,707	10,535
Buildings	28,391	—	—	28,391	37,577
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>51,860</b>	<b>6,442</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>58,302</b>	<b>69,676</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>32,262</b>	<b>141,215</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>173,478</b>	<b>(11,525)</b>
<b>Transfers</b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>					
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	—
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>32,262</b>	<b>141,215</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>173,478</b>	<b>(11,525)</b>
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<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>165,498</b>	<b>(229,877)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General fund	60,197	—	—	60,197	27,934
<b>Designated</b>					
Building Contingency	5,000	—	—	5,000	5,000
Development	100,300	—	—	100,300	100,300
Under Fives	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Restricted</b>					
Development Fund	—	(230,026)	—	(230,026)	(371,242)
Special Collections	—	149	—	149	149

## Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
<b>Current assets</b>			
5000	HSBC Current Account	54,857	4,892
5050	Barclays Current Account	57,692	38,317
5100	CFB Deposit Account	63,070	80,932
5150	Petty Cash	—	—
	<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>175,621</b>	<b>124,142</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
8000	Eastern Synod loan	240,000	240,000
8100	HAEBEA Loan	—	30,000
8200	Congregation Loans - 1 year	—	—
8300	Congregation Loans - 2 years	—	—
8400	Congregation Loans - 3 years	—	5,000
8500	Congregation Loans - 5 years	—	62,000
8600	Congregation Loans - 10 years	—	25,000
	<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>362,000</b>
	<b>Net Asset surplus(deficit)</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>
<b>Reserves</b>			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	173,478	(11,525)
Z01	Starting balances	(237,857)	(226,331)
	<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>
<b>Represented by funds</b>			
	Unrestricted	60,197	27,934
	Designated	105,300	105,300
	Restricted	(229,877)	(371,092)
	Endowment	—	—
	<b>Total</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>

## Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b>						
HSBC Current Account -	43,218	(260)	11,899	—	54,857	4,892
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CFB Deposit Account -	(36,669)	88,501	11,238	—	63,070	80,932
<b>Totals</b>	<b>60,197</b>	<b>105,300</b>	<b>10,122</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>175,621</b>	<b>124,142</b>
<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>						
Eastern Synod loan -	—	—	240,000	—	240,000	240,000
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<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>362,000</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>60,197</b>	<b>105,300</b>	<b>(229,877)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Leaside Church

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31<sup>st</sup> August 2021

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1181223

**Set out on pages**

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2021

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

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

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

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**Signed:**

C. J. Errington

**Date:**

NOV. 12<sup>th</sup> 2021

**Name:**

CHRISTOPHER ERRINGTON

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

NONE (CHURCH TREASURER)

**Address:**

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HERTFORD

SG13 7HY

**Leaside Church**

**End of Year Financial Statements**

**Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021**

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations	6,427	5,000	—	11,427	971
Investments	23,899	—	—	23,899	5,772
Other income	3,671	—	—	3,671	823
Offerings	26,225	644	—	26,869	16,497
Manse	301	—	—	301	310
Lettings	23,597	—	—	23,597	20,148
Development Scheme	—	141,279	—	141,279	13,001
Spec Collections	—	735	—	735	623
<b>Total income</b>	<b>84,123</b>	<b>147,658</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>231,781</b>	<b>58,150</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Other expenditure	5,082	735	—	5,817	2,723
Ministry	18,000	—	—	18,000	18,000
Manse	330	—	—	330	310
Mission	55	—	—	55	529
Church	—	—	—	—	—
Halls	—	—	—	—	—
Development Scheme	—	5,707	—	5,707	10,535
Buildings	28,391	—	—	28,391	37,577
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>51,860</b>	<b>6,442</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>58,302</b>	<b>69,676</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>32,262</b>	<b>141,215</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>173,478</b>	<b>(11,525)</b>
<b>Transfers</b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>					
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	—
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>32,262</b>	<b>141,215</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>173,478</b>	<b>(11,525)</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>133,235</b>	<b>(371,092)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>	<b>(226,331)</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>165,498</b>	<b>(229,877)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General fund	60,197	—	—	60,197	27,934
<b>Designated</b>					
Building Contingency	5,000	—	—	5,000	5,000
Development	100,300	—	—	100,300	100,300
Under Fives	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Restricted</b>					
Development Fund	—	(230,026)	—	(230,026)	(371,242)
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## Balance sheet

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	<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>362,000</b>
	<b>Net Asset surplus(deficit)</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>
<b>Reserves</b>			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	173,478	(11,525)
Z01	Starting balances	(237,857)	(226,331)
	<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>
<b>Represented by funds</b>			
	Unrestricted	60,197	27,934
	Designated	105,300	105,300
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	Endowment	—	—
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## Statement of assets and liabilities

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<b>Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>						
Eastern Synod loan -	—	—	240,000	—	240,000	240,000
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Congregation Loans - 3 years -	—	—	—	—	—	5,000
Congregation Loans - 5 years -	—	—	—	—	—	62,000
Congregation Loans - 10 years -	—	—	—	—	—	25,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>240,000</b>	<b>362,000</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>60,197</b>	<b>105,300</b>	<b>(229,877)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(64,379)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>

**LEASIDE CHURCH WARE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1181223

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# Accounts

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## Annual Report for the Financial Year ending 31 August 2020

### LEASIDE CHURCH WARE - 1181223

Leaside Walk, East Street, Ware, Hertfordshire SG12 9BT

#### Trustees at 31 August 2020

Stephen Brazier, Ann Brookfield, Wendy Cooper, Julia Gristwood, Tony Gubb, Edwin O'Connor, Eleanor Seager, John Seager, Elizabeth Stockdale, Kathryn Taylor

#### Structure

The charity structure reflects the two Christian denominations comprising Leaside Church (the Methodist Church and the United Reformed Church). Trustees are the members of the Church Council which meets bi-monthly. Each is elected by Church Meeting to serve for three years, after which they may stand down or be eligible for re-election. Church Meeting of all members is held three times a year, one of which is the AGM when Trustees are appointed.

#### Activities, achievements and performance

Leaside has a reputation as a welcoming and caring church. Throughout the year, it continued to advance the Christian faith, living out discipleship in worship, teaching and mission. Faced with the challenges of the Coronavirus pandemic from March 2020, it endeavoured to ensure its charitable purpose was carried out in new, inclusive and relevant ways.

##### *Enabling the celebration of public worship, open to all*

With the closure of the church building in March 2020, Sunday services on Zoom were extremely well supported. Additional devotional resources were provided on paper, website and Facebook.

All church meetings and groups took place on Zoom.

The church did not reopen for public worship before 31 August 2020.

Trustees regularly updated the congregation, ensuring views, particularly on reopening, were taken into account.

##### *Giving pastoral support to the congregation, those on the fringes of the church family and others in the wider community as needs are made known*

Phone calls proved vital after March 2020 when it was not possible to visit. The minister and pastoral carers ensured particular concerns were shared.

##### *Providing facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, particularly through the weekly community drop-in, including bereavement support*

An increasing number of varied community groups were using the redeveloped premises prior to March 2020. The closure affected all of them. We prioritised use of the building for the kindergarten so they could provide for the children of key workers but this was not required. Kindergarten restarted in June.

In preparation for reopening, Protocol and Risk Assessments were drawn up, ensuring all regulations were followed in accordance with Government requirements and guidance from the constituent denominations.

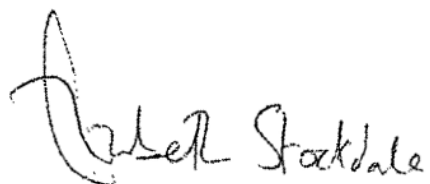
##### *Involvement of members in a number of different outreach activities in the town including Street Pastors and Ware Food Bank.*

*Holding community fundraising events, eg concert September 2019, and coordinating and hosting the town Christmas Tree Festival in December 2019.*

*Enabling support to other charities in the UK and overseas.*

**Future plans**

The church will maintain and grow its online presence as a tool for mission.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth Stockdale". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'E'.

**Signed** Elizabeth Stockdale - Trustee

# Leaside Church & Community Centre



## Leaside Church

### End of Year Financial Statements

**Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020**

We hereby certify that the above accounts have been prepared in accordance with the books and vouchers received.

Chris Errington – Hon. Independent Examiner

Graham Watson – Acting Hon. Treasurer

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations	971	—	—	971	1,435
Investments	5,772	—	—	5,772	12,456
Other income	823	—	—	823	593
Offerings	16,497	—	—	16,497	23,664
Manse	310	—	—	310	319
Lettings	20,148	—	—	20,148	23,981
Development Scheme	—	13,001	—	13,001	89,543
Spec Collections	—	623	—	623	865
<b>Total income</b>	<b>44,524</b>	<b>13,625</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>58,150</b>	<b>152,860</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Other expenditure	2,723	—	—	2,723	1,785
Ministry	18,000	—	—	18,000	18,000
Manse	310	—	—	310	319
Mission	55	474	—	529	907
Development Scheme	—	10,535	—	10,535	7,634
Buildings	37,577	—	—	37,577	21,500
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>58,666</b>	<b>11,009</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>69,676</b>	<b>50,147</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>(14,141)</b>	<b>2,615</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(11,525)</b>	<b>102,712</b>
<b>Transfers</b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	121
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	(121)
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>					
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	—
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>(14,141)</b>	<b>2,615</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(11,525)</b>	<b>102,712</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>147,376</b>	<b>(373,708)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(226,331)</b>	<b>(329,044)</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>133,235</b>	<b>(371,092)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>	<b>(226,331)</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General fund	27,934	—	—	27,934	42,076
<b>Designated</b>					
Building Contingency	5,000	—	—	5,000	5,000
Development	100,300	—	—	100,300	100,300
Under Fives	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Restricted</b>					
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	<b>Net Asset surplus(deficit)</b>	<b>(237,857)</b>	<b>(226,331)</b>
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### Notes to the Accounts

1. Creditors are represented by loans from HAEBEA, members of the congregation and the URC Eastern Synod which were for the purposes of a redevelopment of the buildings to bring them into more adaptable community use and improvements in energy efficiency.

Leaside Church has been receiving the income from legacies received during the 1950's. Agreement has now been received from the URC Eastern Synod that the capital can be applied for the costs of redeveloping our buildings and transfer of the capital although requested but not yet received.

The amount held in these funds on Leaside's behalf will enable, at the current valuation, both settlement of these loans and sufficient working capital.

2. Income has been affected by restrictions to use of the buildings by HM Government limitations due to the Covid -19 pandemic.

**Graham Watson – Acting Hon. Treasurer**



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**Signed:**

*C. J. Errington*

**Date:**

APRIL 30th 2021

**Name:**

CHRISTOPHER J. ERRINGTON.

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.**

