



Dursley Tabernacle United Reformed Church

Registered Charity Number 1181354

Annual Report for 2022

Report to the Annual General Meeting 26th March 2023

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1. Ministers Report

In the autumn of 2021, I went to a conference run by the Leading Your Church into Growth movement. An ecumenical organisation that is broad in its outlook and reach, they encourage churches to consider a strategy for growth. The movements' prayer is as follows:

God of Mission

Who alone brings growth to your Church,

Send your holy Spirit to give

Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

Joy to our worship

And power to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers,

In spiritual commitment to you

And in service to our local community

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

As an eldership we spent a day together considering the principles of the Leading Your Church into Growth Movement. Using this resource, we have been trying to guide the Tab onto a path of growth, both in numbers, in spiritual growth and in growth of impact on our community and service.

2022 was a year which the world started to recover from the coronavirus pandemic. All organisations, not just the church, have been affected by people's changing habits and participation. Initially we saw about a third of our members not returning to worship and a tail off in involvement in church activities. By the end of the year there had been a gradual recovery. Notably after two years of not being able to celebrate Easter and Christmas together the Easter Day service was packed and Christmas attendance at the special services was back to nearly the same numbers as before the pandemic.

At Easter we received ten new members with three of them receiving Believers Baptism. An absolutely wonderful and moving day. In all my nearly thirty years of ministry I cannot remember an Easter Day service like it. Even the baptistry/birthing pool didn't leak!

Whilst we have gained some new members we have also lost some dear friends in the last year up to this AGM. Roy Jones, Eunice Davies, Ron Heathman, Kathryn Palmer, Walt Stewart and Peggy Tresise were all dear friends and members in the Tab. We grieve our loss but give thanks for their companionship in Christ.

We are trying to establish the Illuminate Project in reaching out to young people, one of the hardest age groups to reach with the gospel today. This last year saw Lia Mills join us as an intern with the South West Youth Ministries and we have been blessed by her involvement with our young people and our church.

We will continue to have an evangelistic strategy to grow in numbers and help people find faith. But it is not just about numbers. In line with the prayer above, we seek to grow spiritually. In the last year we did the 9 Beats course which looked at the 9 Beatitudes and the Way of Jesus. This was a practical and formational course designed at changing our mindset and growing in Christlikeness. An Enneagram Workshop was designed to help people grow in self-awareness and

awareness of other people and their personalities, strengths and giftings. A number of our house fellowships continue to be places where people can grow together in their understanding and practice of their faith.

Finally, we have seen growth in our impact on the community. This year has seen the development of our Community Food Hub. A team of about 30 volunteers, co-ordinated by Heidi Horn, has been collecting surplus food and distributing it to those in need and placing it on our newly acquired market stall out on the church drive, for the community to help themselves. The Food Hub now operates most days a week for people to come and get essential supplies to help them in this cost of living crisis. It has been a high profile work that has been much appreciated and used by our local community and shows the church cares.

This work compliments our continuing efforts to support the community like the Family Café, Communita, Child Contact Centre, Connect At, Open Door, and towards the end of last year the Warm Spaces initiative, where, mainly through the hard work of Emma Irvine and her team, we joined with other community venues and churches in offering a warm space to the community beset by concerns of heating costs as energy prices rose alarmingly as a result of the Ukraine/Russia War that started in the last year.

Our church buildings are adapting to new needs and uses. We give thanks to Carolyn, our site administrator, and the property team for all their diligent work in ensuring safe and well-equipped premises for us to work and worship from. The access to the Upper Hall got underway in 2022 which will open up need community space and possibilities in the future and is an exciting and much anticipated development.

Many years ago, I was challenged by one of our members as to whether if Dursley Tabernacle closed, people in the community would miss us. I'd like to think that the answer is yes, yes, yes. They would miss us!

As part of our work for the kingdom of God, we can only make an impact in our community if we have the numbers and if we have the spiritual growth and commitment necessary for people to give of themselves in Christian service. All three components for growth are linked and as a minister and team of elders we will try and be vigilant in trying to encourage more growth.

My thanks therefore to you all for your partnership in Christ's church. Thank you for your commitment in time, energy, money, and concern. Thank you to those who give of their time in Sunday morning worship whether it is our musicians or people who find themselves on our numerous rotas, to those who help provide a welcome and activity for our children and young people, especially Bobbie and Theresa our children's workers. Thank you to those who participate in our various community projects and outreach activities.

Finally thank you to the team of elders who support me in the leadership of this church. I would especially like to mention, Dennis who is a calm and faith-full treasurer and we are indebted to him and Terry Larkham for overseeing our finances. Michele is a supportive and dependable church secretary. David Nutbrown Hughes is standing down at this AGM from the eldership and we give thanks for his time of service as Property Elder and the wisdom and foresight, particularly regarding environmental issues, that he has brought to the role.

This year has seen a change in my ministry with the ending of my role as Area Minister for Gloucestershire and the start of my ministry at Rodborough Tabernacle. As I, with God's help, try to bring renewal and growth to that church, as well as oversee a refurbishment and re-purposing of the Quarry Chapel, I have had a number of significant responsibilities to shoulder. I am grateful for people's understanding and patience as I have tried to adapt to new ways of working and getting to know new people and situations.

It helps that my football team are strolling through the Championship to promotion and that I have an amazing wife and a patient Saviour!

May God continue to pour out the Holy Spirit on us and lead us into growth.

Yours in Christ

Simon

2. Secretary's Report

It is always with great interest I read the annual reports from different sections of the church as I receive them.

It shows just how much has happened in the previous twelve months. Fortunately it really does seem we are, at long last, shaking off the shackles of lockdown and breathing new life into the church through all the various groups and activities. Once again we have to thank our Minister, Simon Helme, for guiding us through the turbulent times and hopefully now into calmer waters. He is always open to considering new ideas as well as tending to our various spiritual needs. He really gives his all to our church as well as having the refurbishment of The Quarry and his new tasks as Minister of Rodborough Tabernacle to contend with. On behalf of this church I thank him.

I also feel we should thank Rod Irvine for all his sterling work. From Minute Secretary, Pulpit Supply Secretary, rota organiser, Youth Leader through to AV desk operator and coffee maker as well as often preparing and leading worship himself. Thank you Rod and your family for being at the heart of this church.

Michele Everett

Church Secretary

3. Site Administrator Report 2022

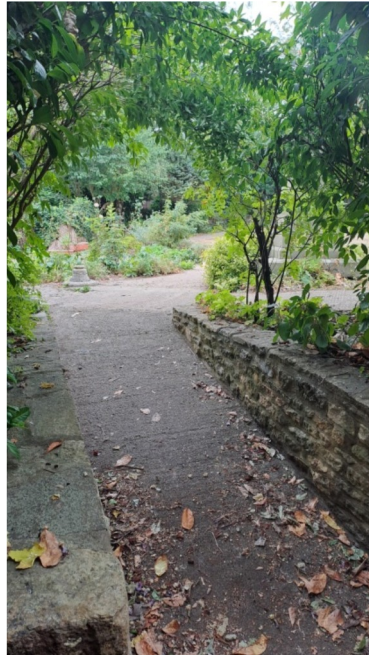
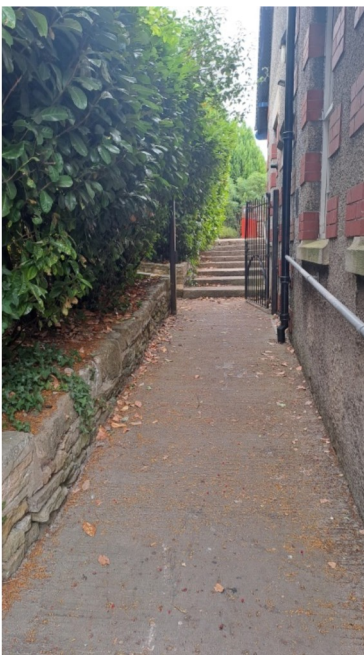
2022 has been a busy and constructive year. Confidence in events began to return and conversations were held with a number of organisations to explore ways of using our rooms more.

As the finance report showed our external hire is recovering and assisting in the costs associated with the site.

The big focus of 2022 has been the rear access project. This was long overdue and has been many years in the planning. The pandemic and delays in a significant funding award all contributed to this.

I would like to record here my thanks to Carole Allen and others on the site re-development team who over previous years worked so hard to drive through significant building changes and who laid the ground work for this project. It has been relatively straightforward thanks to all the initial hard work put in to the plans.

I make no apology for a large part of this report being pictures, there is much to celebrate. Do you remember this?





Now this....



Thanks, has to go to Stevenson's for their execution and management of the project on the ground along with MDHP who have helped us manage the administration of the project. Also, to David Nutbrown-Hughes (Property Elder), for his oversight and help and the rest of the property team.

A site as big and varied as ours always requires jobs and maintenance and as ever a big thanks to the army of volunteers and our paid contractors who work behind the scenes on site it is hugely appreciated. I will not name them because I am bound to miss someone but a big thankyou to those that Mow, those that garden and clear rubbish and the property team who regularly come to my aid. **We are in need of more people to take these tasks on.**

Much of my role as site administrator has been and continues to be dominated by building projects, maintenance, fixing things, however in the background I am slowly establishing a central filing system, operations manual for each space, and there are lots of background admin tasks and record keeping that has to be done to ensure we are fulfilling our obligations as a public space in a safe way.

Looking Ahead:

2023 will be as busy as ever, there are still areas on site to address, along with larger capital projects to look at such as ongoing planning for the replacement of the church boiler.

How you can help:

Always looking for help with jobs, grass mowers maintenance around site. Tip runs etc.

Anyone got a passion for history, archiving, organising? We have a room full of papers, photographs etc which need putting in some sort of order.

Carolyn Jones

Site Administrator

4. Pastoral Report

I am writing this report because I am proud to be part of a church which loves, cares and supports each other. The last few years have been quite difficult some members and friends of the church have found it difficult to attend, we as Elders have sometimes missed people but we know that someone in the church will know how they are.

Many people get together in house groups, art group, book club, prayer group, Communittee etc and support each other in these groups. We know that many of these groups have lost very special people and have found great comfort to be able to come together and pray and support each other in the group.

We as Elders come together to pray for people in the church as well as others who are connected. Please bring to our attention anyone who needs prayer, a visit or a chat. Anyone who needs practical support or help with visits etc. We deliver gifts, to people, who are unwell, or celebrating or just because you are you and special, thank you.

We all miss our great prayer warrior Peggy, we know she prayed for and with many people, if you would like to be part of a group that prays for others please let us know. Its such a privilege to be able to bring everything to God in prayer,

We would all like to thank Simon for his love, support and prayers at the centre of our church and community.

Martine Carter

Elder

5. Tab Community Food Hub and Food, Gift Delivery Team



2022 was another exciting year for the food team. We grew in number from a team of 21 volunteers by the end of 2021, to 30 by the end of 2022, in addition to the many people involved in the Christmas Eve deliveries. Our volunteers remain a wonderful mix of people from within our Church, and those from our local community. Not everyone is a Christian, but they are all enthusiastic, willing and capable. Some are new, some have been with us from the start. And some have come to us, after being on the receiving end of the deliveries, and seeing the value in the scheme, first hand.

In June, we collected and started using our amazing Food Cart, which swiftly gained the attention and imagination of the people of Dursley - This was just one example of God working in wonderful, inspiring and truly exciting ways; we went very swiftly from a chat in the pub about how great it would be to have a market stall type display, to being sent photos of suitable carts, by an enthusiastic friend, to trying to find the money to buy one, to being donated one by a business in Birmingham, who thought "it sounds like a great cause", to it being collected and delivered and in daily use. This was all in the space of a few weeks! And soon after that, the local community were donating their garden produce via the cart and BBC Gloucestershire were visiting to make a video, which promoted the cart even further, and this in turn has led to many conversations about who we are, how it all started and why we do what we do - what a great opportunity!

We launched the Dursley Tab Community Food Hub in November, which swiftly developed from being open one session per week, to four days per week, with the number of visitors steadily increasing. This has been simultaneously sad to see, because of the obvious growth in need, and exciting, because we are being given an amazing opportunity to meet, get to know and serve people, who really appreciate what is being offered. There is a weekly panic about whether we have enough food available for our visitors. But more and more, we are learning to trust that God will provide, the food always seems to turn up. **Please pray that this will continue to be the case!**

To share a few statistics:

We delivered **1291** bags of food to **80** families. These are families facing financial hardship due to a variety of reasons, who have been referred to us via local schools or who have been made known to us via other means.

We delivered **307** small gifts to individuals in an attempt to brighten up their day, celebrate with them or as a sign they are in our thoughts and prayers.

Our food hub sessions grew from a group of people waiting around the cart for any leftovers after deliveries, to between 15 and 35 people per week coming in to choose their own food, and sometimes stopping for a hot drink and a chat.

We shared well over 4000 eggs with the local community via the food cart!

As always, it has been an absolute pleasure to be part of such an amazing team, so a huge thanks to everyone involved. If anyone else wants to join the team, they will be made very welcome. We need people to run the hub, chat to people, serve visitors, make cups of tea, collect food from supermarkets, source more donations and PRAY for all of these activities!

Heidi Horn

Tab Food Hub Co-ordinator

6. Tab Youth

2022 started with Vix Thomas our Tab Youth leader leaving the area and the Tab. We spent time as youth leaders considering what the youth provision at The Tab could look like. After much discussion, it was decided that we would explore the possibilities of having an intern in partnership with The Door.

In October 2022, Lia Mills joined the team as a an intern with South West Youth Ministries (SWYM). She has had a really positive impact on the young people and the youth work at the Tab, alongside her work with the church outreach with Tab Family Café and Warm Space.

The young people enjoy a relaxed approach to provision on a Sunday morning – with games of pool and discussions over hot drinks. Part of the morning also involves a themed 'God Slot' activity, discussion and prayer. Themes over the year included a front to back view of the stories in the bible, how to read and navigate through the bible and prayer techniques. Recently The Roots materials has been used to help guide our weekly sessions. We are thankful that the youth leadership team has grown; we welcome Jenny Snape and Will Barrett to the team.

The youngsters have enjoyed being part of Fusion Café, run by Illuminate, a branch of The Door. They have taken part in youth worship in Weston Super mare and Cheltenham, and are looking forward to a Into the Wild camp in May.

Rod & Emma Irvine

Dursley Tabtoo

Another positive year in TabToo where we have fun while thinking about God and his love for us and exploring what that means for our lives. We have enjoyed so much including making pancakes, salt dough creations, gardening, and a trip to the Bank Café.

Three of the children said goodbye to us and moved on to TabYouth. We were sad to see them go but know they will flourish there.

The children have increasingly contributed to Sunday morning services including an amazing dance at the Christmas Nativity and fine acting performances.

I made the decision to stand down as the TabToo leader in February 2023 and have handed over to the talented Theresa Barrett who brings fresh ideas and energy.

A big thanks to all the TabToo team; Aimee, Jo, Hannah, Debbie, Martine, Andy and Theresa – you are an amazing team.

Bobbie Spears

7. Safeguarding

Martine Carter and I continue to act as Safeguarding co-ordinators for the Tab. Our aim is to make the Tab and all the activities associated with the Tab safe for everyone, especially children and vulnerable adults.

We attend Safeguarding forums run by the West Midlands Synod to learn about any new developments in Safeguarding and to share ideas with other Safeguarding co-ordinators. We remain in regular contact with the Synod Safeguarding team to discuss assorted matters.

We have been working with various groups in the church to implement Safe Recruitment and this remains a work in progress.

Special thanks to Carolyn for her efficient administrative skills and to Liz Swanick for her significant contribution to the Safe Recruitment process.

In the year ahead we will promote opportunities for training as they arrive from the Synod. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and if you have any concerns please do speak to Martine or me.

Bobbie Spears

8. Dursley Tabernacle URC Finance Report 2022

Charity Registration Number 1181354

Charity's Registered Address:

3 Parsonage Street, Dursley, Gloucestershire GL11 4BW

1 Explanatory Introduction

This is the annual finance report for Dursley Tabernacle URC for the financial year running from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Charity Commission's Receipts and Payments Accounts Pack (CC16). Our accounts are administered on a "Receipts and Payments" basis and the analysis of income and expenditure reflects the classification of our activities, together with the costs relating to administration. The Church does not sell goods or services for commercial profit, but does generate income from personal offerings and donations, hiring rooms, fundraising, investments, the Family Café and other events to help defray its expenses.

The various types of funds are analysed in accordance with the provisions of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, but re-valuation of the Church and other properties are not included, being inalienable and historic property.

The monetary values in this summary section are presented to the nearest pound. A full Statement of Financial Activities is given in Appendix A which, along with its notes, presents the income and expenditure for both the General Account and the Reserves, Designated and Restricted Funds. The Independent Examiners Report is provided in Appendix B.

2 General Account

The General Account is that part of our financial activity concerned with the normal day to day running of our church. It includes all the things we do to keep running and does not include activities associated with special projects such as property development, church retreats or special funds for particular purposes.

The General Account total operating receipts for the year was £105,825, which is significantly more than last year's total of £84,645. Although, this does include an exceptional contribution of £11,129 from delayed invoices for operating the Vibe, the trend has nevertheless been one towards recovery to pre-pandemic levels.

The General Account total operating expenditure for the year was £94,355, up 17% from last year's total of £80,683.

The operating surplus for the year was therefore £11,470. This will be transferred into the General Reserves.

3 Reserves and Restricted Funds

"Reserves" refers to that part of a charity's unrestricted funds that is freely available to spend on any of the charity's purposes. This definition includes "Designated Funds", which have been set aside for a particular purpose, but which may be re-allocated to Unrestricted Reserves if required. However, it excludes "Restricted Funds", which may only be spent on the specified purpose for which the money was received.

This definition also excludes the Cater Fund which is now categorised as a "Capital Endowment" since it is not freely available to spend at all and, under the terms of the trust deed, can only be

used to provide an income for “the maintenance of Dursley Tabernacle Church building and for Christian Worship therein”. This is invested in the COIF Charities Ethical Investment Fund - Income Units which this year returned an income of £4,376.

3.1 Reserves policy

A reserves policy has been drawn up and approved by the Trustees (Elders). This is a summary of that policy. We are required to hold reserves for the following reasons:

1. To enable the church to continue its normal activities in accordance with its charitable aims in the event of adverse financial circumstances. For example, when faced with significant unforeseen expenditure or significant loss of expected income.
2. To prevent cash flow problems by enabling us to maintain our current account at the required level to meet our financial commitments. This is particularly important when large projects are being undertaken and invoices need to be paid before all grants and donations have been received.
3. To hold funds for specific purposes. For example, a building project, major repairs or employment of a member of staff.

Restricted Funds: These are funded by donations and/or grants received for specific purposes and are not considered as part of our Reserves. There is no upper limit on the level of such funds.

Designated Funds: Reserves allocated for specific purposes are in addition to the Unrestricted Funds and shall be held at a level suitable for each specific project. Although there is no upper limit to the total value of such funds, the purpose of each fund needs to be justified and be in accordance with the charitable aims of the church. Designated funds are allocated or re-allocated as decided by the Trustees (Elders) and ratified by the Church Meeting.

Unrestricted Funds (General Reserves): The Church will aim to hold Unrestricted Funds at a level equivalent to between one third and two thirds of normal annual operating expenditure (4 to 8 months), as determined from the latest published financial accounts. The level of General Reserves at the end of 2022 is £52,057, which is 55% of our 2022 operating expenditure and therefore within this range.

The following table lists every fund held by the church at the end of 2022 together with its purpose. The balance in each fund can be seen on the notes to the accounts in Appendix A.

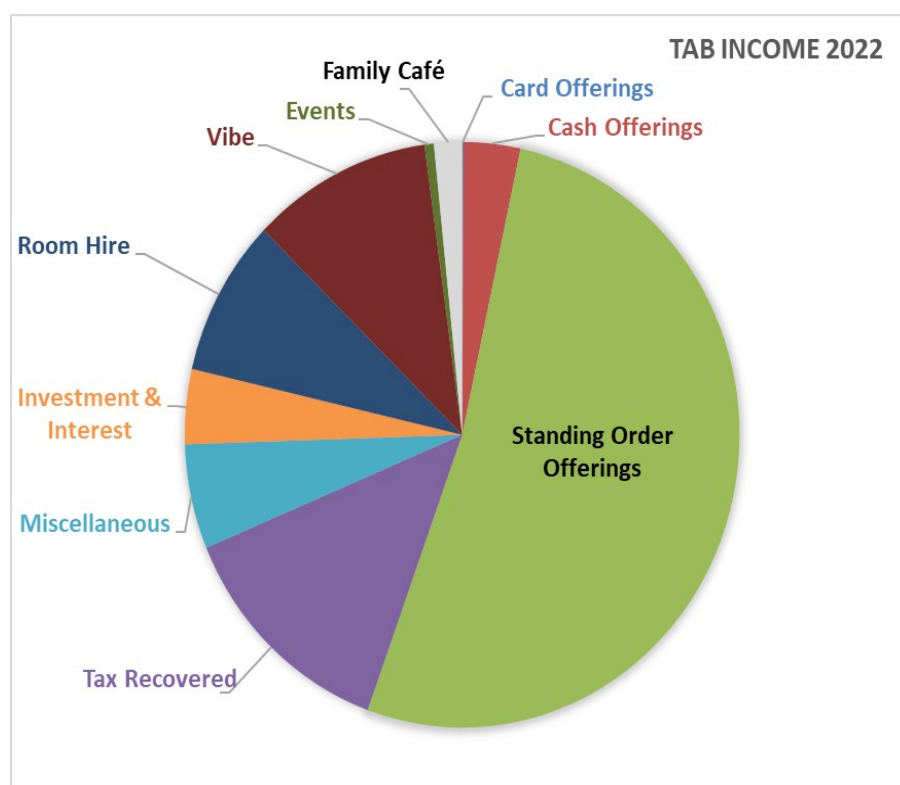
Fund	Purpose of Fund
Restricted Funds	
Organ Fund	In memoriam donations received for the church organ
Youth Work	Funds allocated for youth work. Mainly spent on employing a Youth Worker. All donations were specifically for youth work.
Retreats etc.	Money received to pay for church retreats/weekends away
Music Group	To provide equipment and music for the Worship Group
Peace & Hope	Money raised to support the work of the Peace & Hope Trust
DAYS	Funds held on behalf of Dursley Area Youth Sinfonia. This is an orchestra which plays and practices at our church. They exercise control over the management of these funds.
CommuniTEA	A joint churches initiative in partnership with local GP surgeries to offer a social gathering for the elderly and vulnerable in our community, especially those with dementia and their carers.
Fusion Café	Funds held on behalf of Dursley Youth Volunteering Scheme. A project to assist young people in Dursley with community volunteering tasks.
TAB Tots	A parent and toddler group run in conjunction with the Community Organisation GL11 to offer a support service to young families.
Warm Spaces	To provide a warm community space during times of financial hardship and high energy costs.

Fund	Purpose of Fund
Designated Funds	
Building Fund (Phase2 Capital)	Funds allocated to the development of the old Parsonage and the Church Upper Hall and Kitchen
Family Café Charities	A charitable fund created from part of the Family Café surplus. To be donated to charitable causes of their choosing.
Building Repair Fund	A fund originally established to “index-link” the Cater Trust. Now allocated to emergency building repairs.
ECO Fund	Established for the purposes of implementing our eco-church policy.
Welfare	A Minister’s welfare fund to be used for emergency support of needy members or church attendees.
In Memoriam	Money received by legacies or donations in memoriam, to be used at the discretion of Elders.
Unrestricted Reserves	
General Reserves	Funds held to support the general operation of the church.
Capital Endowment	
Cater Trust	This is a restricted endowment to be invested to provide income. It has been invested ethically with COIF. The trustees are the Minister, Secretary and Treasurer.

It is noted that the Building Fund (Phase 2 Capital) finished the year with a large negative balance. This was anticipated, since significant income in support of this project was not expected to be received until near the end of the work in early 2023. Expected receipts include £35k funding from Stroud District Council (S106) and ~£17k from West Midlands Synod. Nevertheless, a shortfall for the project is predicted, but this can be easily met from the General Reserves.

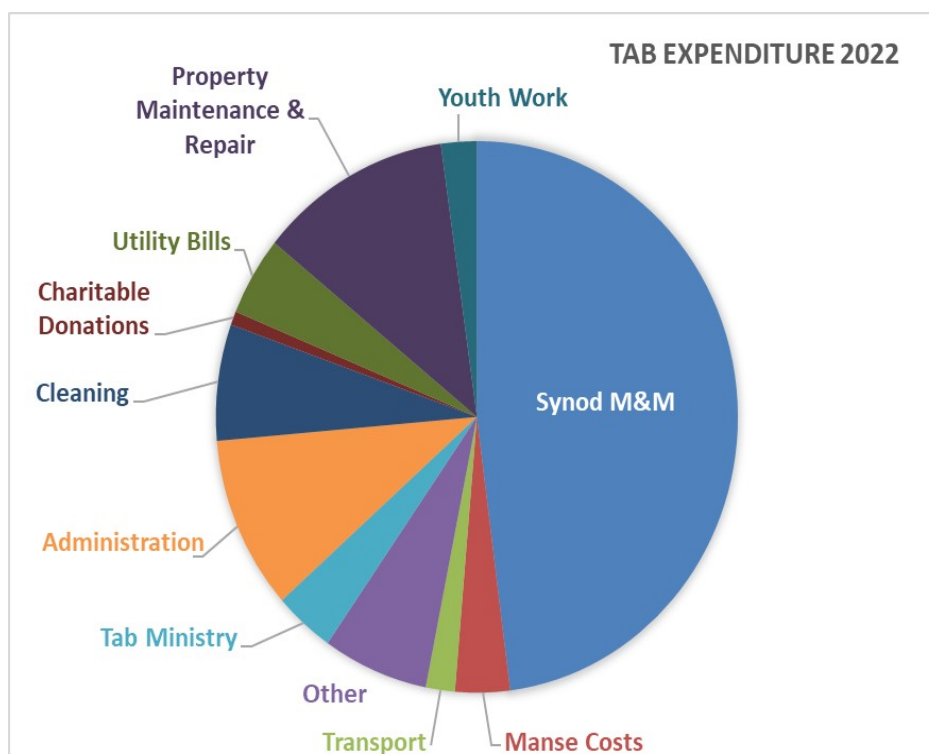
4 Analysis and Comments

2022 was a year of return to “normal”, whatever that ever was. Income streams associated with social activities (Café and Room hire) have recovered well since the pandemic. However, the relatively few social events held is reflected in the small level of income received (but remember, such event are not primarily about generating income). The relative contributions from all income streams are shown in the pie chart below.



In addition to standing orders and cash donations, this year has seen the introduction of card payments, both for purchases and donations. Although making only a small contribution, this is expected to grow as more people become “cashless”. At the same time the traditional envelope scheme has now ended.

Our Synod M&M contribution was £48,456 in 2022 (up 5% on 2021). With increases in other Pastorate costs, such as Council Tax and extra Manse maintenance, the Pastorate expenditure has increased by 11% compared with 2021. Furthermore, administration, property and utility costs have all risen this year as inflation has started to bite. The pie chart below shows our expenditure for each cost area as a proportion of the total.



We nevertheless finished with a healthy surplus, even taking into account the delayed Vibe invoicing, so we have not had to draw on our reserves to balance the books. This healthy financial outcome is thanks to the generous donations from our members and friends. I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all our supporters and to the Finance Team – Terry and Theresa for all their hard work in 2022. Finally, I would like to express my thanks to Clive Malcolm for once again undertaking the role of Independent Examiner.

God Bless,

Dennis Allen
Treasurer

**DURSLEY TABERNACLE URC
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	General fund (unrestricted)	Designated funds (unrestricted)	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
Receipts into General Fund							
Receipts from investments	1	4,375.52	-	-	-	4,375.52	4,281.96
Offerings	2	72,693.37	-	-	-	72,693.37	70,118.19
Lettings and sundry income	3	15,334.43	-	-	-	15,334.43	9,446.90
Other income	4	13,421.88	-	-	-	13,421.88	798.39
General Account Total		105,825.20	-	-	-	105,825.20	84,645.44
Receipts into Reserve Funds	16 & 17	16,391.22	11,456.57	17,237.24	-	45,085.03	26,325.12
Total receipts		122,216.42	11,456.57	17,237.24	-	150,910.23	110,970.56
Payments from General Fund							
Pastorate							
Ministry and Mission	5	56,323.83	-	-	-	56,323.83	50,728.39
Dursley Tabernacle							
Ministry and Mission	6	3,519.94	-	-	-	3,519.94	4,713.36
Youth work	7	2,085.48	-	-	-	2,085.48	111.94
Cleaning	8	6,435.27	-	-	-	6,435.27	3,496.94
Charitable donations	9	762.36	-	-	-	762.36	1,003.43
Property utility costs	10	4,372.45	-	-	-	4,372.45	3,921.76
Other property costs	11	11,245.74	-	-	-	11,245.74	8,501.17
Administration	12	9,609.65	-	-	-	9,609.65	8,206.02
General Account Total		94,354.72	-	-	-	94,354.72	80,683.01
Payments from Reserve Funds	16 & 17	11,202.00	62,429.26	10,048.81	-	83,680.07	18,447.69
Total payments		105,556.72	62,429.26	10,048.81	-	178,034.79	99,130.70
Net of receipts/payments (General Account)		11,470.48	-	-	-	11,470.48	3,962.43
Net of receipts/payments (Reserves)	13	5,189.22	(50,972.69)	7,188.43	-	(38,595.04)	7,877.43
Cash funds last year-end		46,867.57	26,959.09	10,733.59	-	84,560.25	72,720.39
Cash funds this year-end		63,527.27	(24,013.60)	17,922.02	-	57,435.69	84,560.25

**DURSLEY TABERNACLE URC
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	General fund (unrestricted)	Designated funds (unrestricted)	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last Year
Cash and deposits	14	63,527.27	(24,013.60)	17,922.02	-	57,435.69	84,560.25
Other monetary assets		-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Assets							
COIF Ethical investment Fund Units, at cost	15	-	-	-	112,252.63	112,252.63	112,252.63
Assets retained for own use		-	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets		63,527.27	(24,013.60)	17,922.02	112,252.63	169,688.32	196,812.88

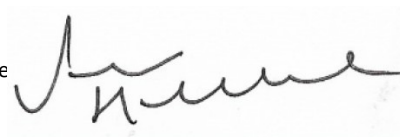
Signed on behalf of all trustees by

Dr Dennis Allen
Treasurer



Date 13/3/2023

Rev Simon Helme
Minister



Date 13/3/2023

DURSLEY TABERNACLE URC
NOTES TO ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	This year	Last year
	£	£
RECEIPTS		
1 Receipts from investments		
Distributions from COIF Ethical Fund Units	4,338.92	<i>4,277.93</i>
Deposit account interest	36.60	<i>4.03</i>
	4,375.52	<i>4,281.96</i>
2 Offerings		
Offerings (collection box & card reader)	3,584.59	<i>3,590.33</i>
Standing orders and cheques	55,182.42	<i>54,868.92</i>
Tax recovered	13,926.36	<i>11,658.94</i>
	72,693.37	<i>70,118.19</i>
3 Lettings and sundry income		
Church fees	270.00	<i>305.00</i>
Miscellaneous income	5,854.68	<i>5,980.79</i>
Room hire	9,209.75	<i>3,161.11</i>
	15,334.43	<i>9,446.90</i>
4 Other income		
Town Council (Vibe)	11,129.34	<i>(276.00)</i>
Family Café surplus	1,724.00	<i>245.10</i>
Social events	568.54	<i>829.29</i>
	13,421.88	<i>798.39</i>
PAYMENTS		
5 Pastorate ministry and mission		
Dursley Group M & M	48,456.00	<i>46,152.00</i>
Transport	1,698.80	<i>1,813.50</i>
Manse Council Tax	2,640.77	<i>2,561.61</i>
Manse water rates	543.49	<i>555.50</i>
Telephone/Internet	814.38	<i>808.94</i>
Postage & stationery	121.29	<i>153.25</i>
Books & materials	329.91	<i>356.71</i>
Manse maintenance	4,342.91	<i>311.25</i>
Minister's Office expenses	580.26	<i>366.81</i>
Quarry contribution	(329.47)	<i>(214.56)</i>
Rodborough Contribution	(1,291.48)	<i>-</i>
Synod contribution to Area Ministry expenses (Note 5)	(1,583.03)	<i>(2,136.62)</i>
	56,323.83	<i>50,728.39</i>

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	This year £	Last year £
6 Dursley Tabernacle ministry and mission		
Organist (including organ music)	1,236.00	1,280.29
Churches Together	40.00	15.00
IT	60.00	504.65
Happiness Lab	-	179.70
Catering (tea & coffee)	160.35	433.32
Ministry costs	636.62	231.75
Elders away days	-	65.07
Alpha	176.52	28.00
CCLI licence	706.17	736.58
Pulpit supply	100.00	59.00
Gifts	237.28	109.00
Training	-	902.00
Safeguarding	167.00	169.00
	3,519.94	4,713.36
7 Youth work		
Youth Worker	115.06	2,494.01
Church Children's Workers	1,872.64	1,564.08
Transfers from restricted reserve	-	(4,116.12)
Junior Church Expenses	97.78	77.34
Youth worker expenses	-	92.63
	2,085.48	111.94
8 Cleaning		
Contract cleaning	4,858.15	2,273.70
Cleaners	1,559.87	1,223.24
Equipment	17.25	-
	6,435.27	3,496.94
9 Charitable donations		
Donations to charitable causes	5,362.21	3,535.04
Donations received	(4,599.85)	(2,531.61)
	762.36	1,003.43

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	This year	<i>Last year</i>
	£	£
10 Property utility costs		
Water - Church	76.22	234.15
Water - Community Rooms	79.85	63.18
Water - Vibe	-	39.59
Electricity - Church	316.00	468.00
Electricity - Community Rooms	1,060.00	1,356.00
Electricity - Vibe	736.00	-
Gas - Church & Vibe	1,413.03	967.05
Gas - Community Rooms	691.35	793.79
	<u>4,372.45</u>	<u>3,921.76</u>
11 Other property costs		
General Maintenance	882.80	146.74
Consumables	930.11	226.30
Waste management	658.20	282.60
Contract maintenance	-	-
Insurance	5,112.91	4,883.36
Alarms & Security	871.20	1,110.60
Heating & Plumbing	328.99	240.95
Organ & piano maintenance	294.68	-
Building Maintenance	1,056.00	1,056.00
VAT reclaim	-	(579.45)
Others	1,110.85	1,134.07
	<u>11,245.74</u>	<u>8,501.17</u>
12 Administration		
Photocopier and stationery costs	199.85	-
Officers' expenses	66.84	15.84
Site administration	9,342.96	8,190.18
	<u>9,609.65</u>	<u>8,206.02</u>
13 Net of receipts/(payments)		
Surplus in General Account	11,470.48	3,962.43
Surplus in General Reserves	5,189.22	-
	<u>16,659.70</u>	<u>3,962.43</u>
14 Cash and deposits		
Current account	10,131.14	9,159.94
Deposit account	47,251.08	75,214.48
Cash in hand	53.47	185.83
	<u>57,435.69</u>	<u>84,560.25</u>
15 Investment assets		
COIF Ethical Investment Fund		
The Church holds 50,806.84 units in the above fund (2021 50806.84). These units are shown at cost. Their market value at 31 December 2022 was £139,043 (2021 £158,756).		

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16 Funds

The net assets of the church are represented by the balances on the following funds:

	<i>Last Year</i>	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	This year
Restricted Funds					
Organ Fund	7,495.60	-	-	-	7,495.60
Youth Work	439.62	3,375.00	(270.00)	-	3,544.62
Chop & Chat	163.00	(163.00)	-	-	-
Church Retreats	27.46	1,478.40	(1,478.40)	-	27.46
Music Group	832.15	-	(152.80)	-	679.35
Peace & Hope Trust	626.86	-	-	-	626.86
DAYS	408.07	-	(300.00)	-	108.07
CommuniTEA	200.00	1,022.54	(645.23)	-	577.31
DYVS/Fusion Café	540.83	-	(309.80)	-	231.03
TAB Tots	-	9,936.00	(6,723.00)	-	3,213.00
Warm Spaces	-	1,588.30	(169.58)	-	1,418.72
	<u>10,733.59</u>	<u>17,237.24</u>	<u>(10,048.81)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,922.02</u>
Designated Funds (unrestricted)					
Phase II Capital Fund	1,187.96	3,286.30	(51,904.13)	-	(47,429.87)
Flower Fund	152.97	11.30	(164.27)	-	-
Knitting Group	22.31	-	(22.31)	-	-
Family Café Charities	330.00	-	-	-	330.00
Building Repair Fund	12,995.60	-	-	-	12,995.60
ECO Fund	1,386.96	611.70	-	-	1,998.66
Welfare Fund	9,088.29	9,342.27	(10,338.55)	-	8,092.01
In Memoriam	1,795.00	(1,795.00)	-	-	-
	<u>26,959.09</u>	<u>11,456.57</u>	<u>(62,429.26)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(24,013.60)</u>
Unrestricted Reserves					
General Fund (see Note 17)	<u>46,867.57</u>	<u>16,391.22</u>	<u>(11,202.00)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,056.79</u>
Total Unrestricted Reserves	<u>73,826.66</u>	<u>27,847.79</u>	<u>(73,631.26)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,043.19</u>
Capital endowment					
Cater Fund (cost)	<u>112,252.63</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>112,252.63</u>
Total reserves, funds & capital endowment	<u>196,812.88</u>	<u>45,085.03</u>	<u>(83,680.07)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>158,217.84</u>

17 General Reserves Transactions

Loss of income insurance claim	16,391
Return of 2020 Subsidy to WM Synod	(11,202)

APPENDIX B

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE ELDERS OF
DURSLEY TABERNACLE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022
(CHARITY NUMBER 1181354)**

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the Elders on my examination of the accounts of Dursley Tabernacle United Reformed Church for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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



Clive Malcolm
Independent Examiner

9 March 2023

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