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Expenditure: £24,059.53.

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#### **Approval**

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

James Lee



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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**  
**TO THE TRUSTEES OF**  
**RENEWAL CHURCH WHITFIELD**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Renewal Church Whitfield ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 on pages 6 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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Jaimée Young

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Date: 25 January 2024



**RENEWAL CHURCH WHITFIELD**  
**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			
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income receipts</b>						
Donations and grants		30,101	-	1,509	31,610	33,756
Gift aid receipts		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>30,101</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,509</u>	<u>31,610</u>	<u>33,756</u>
<b>Payments</b>						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	14,509	-	-	14,509	30,892
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	4,422	-	5,003	9,425	3,920
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>18,932</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,003</u>	<u>23,935</u>	<u>34,812</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		11,170	-	(3,494)	7,676	(1,056)
Transfers between funds	5	(3,455)	3,000	455	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>7,715</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>(3,039)</u>	<u>7,676</u>	<u>(1,056)</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		60,131	-	4,014	64,145	65,201
<b>Cash funds at this year end</b>	A	<u>67,846</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>975</u>	<u>71,821</u>	<u>64,145</u>

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

**RENEWAL CHURCH WHITFIELD**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>A Cash funds</b>					
Cash at bank with immediate access	67,846	3,000	975	71,821	64,094
Petty cash	-	-	-	-	51
	<u>67,846</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>975</u>	<u>71,821</u>	<u>64,145</u>
<b>B Other monetary assets</b>					
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>C Liabilities</b>					
<b>Falling due within one year:</b>					
Pension due	-	-	-	-	82
Fee for Independent Examination	732	-	-	732	721
	<u>732</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>732</u>	<u>803</u>
<b>D Assets retained for charity's own use</b>				Value 2023	Value 2022
				£	£
Equipment				5,000	5,000
				<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</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  date 23.01.24  
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**RENEWAL CHURCH WHITFIELD**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**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 2023	Total 2022
	General funds £	Designated funds £	£	£	£
<b>2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly</b>					
Employment costs	6,277	-	-	6,277	26,762
Rent	2,480	-	-	2,480	1,125
PA and worship	853	-	-	853	217
Insurance	440	-	-	440	408
Ministry activities, support and equipment	2,885	-	-	2,885	1,801
Governance	1,001	-	-	1,001	568
Other costs	573	-	-	573	12
	<u>14,509</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,509</u>	<u>30,892</u>

**3 Grants and gifts paid to others**

Organisations:					
Lighthouse Community, Poland	-	-	5,003	5,003	-
City Church	-	-	-	-	1,525
Elyon Therapeutic Family Services	3,612	-	-	3,612	-
Dover Outreach Centre	-	-	-	-	1,000
Organisations < £1,000	-	-	-	-	744
Individuals	810	-	-	810	651
	<u>4,422</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,003</u>	<u>9,425</u>	<u>3,920</u>

**4 Transactions with related parties**

Anna Palmer served as administrator and was paid £1,686 [2022: £0] for serving in that capacity, not for serving as a trustee; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document.

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**5 Movement of funds**

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
General funds	60,131	30,101	(18,932)	(3,455)	67,846
Designated funds					
Worship fund	-	-	-	3,000	3,000
	<u>60,131</u>	<u>30,101</u>	<u>(18,932)</u>	<u>(455)</u>	<u>70,846</u>
Restricted funds					
Ukraine	2,734	1,339	(5,003)	930	-
Social Action grant	475	-	-	(475)	-
Community tithe	805	170	-	-	975
	<u>4,014</u>	<u>1,509</u>	<u>(5,003)</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>975</u>
Total funds	<u>64,145</u>	<u>31,610</u>	<u>(23,935)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,821</u>

The designated Worship fund relates to a £3,000 grant received which was not restricted but which the trustees have designated for the purpose of worship.

The Ukraine appeal raised funds for the Lighthouse Community in Poland working with people affected by the war in Ukraine.

The Social Action grant brought forward funds relate to a grant received in the previous year which was incorrectly treated as restricted funds. The balance has now been transferred to the general funds.

The funds donated for the Community Tithe is to help people in the local community who are in need.

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Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	14,509	-	-	14,509	30,892
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	4,422	-	5,003	9,425	3,920
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>18,932</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,003</u>	<u>23,935</u>	<u>34,812</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		11,170	-	(3,494)	7,676	(1,056)
Transfers between funds	5	(3,455)	3,000	455	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>7,715</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>(3,039)</u>	<u>7,676</u>	<u>(1,056)</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		60,131	-	4,014	64,145	65,201
<b>Cash funds at this year end</b>	A	<u>67,846</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>975</u>	<u>71,821</u>	<u>64,145</u>

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

**RENEWAL CHURCH WHITFIELD**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>A Cash funds</b>					
Cash at bank with immediate access	67,846	3,000	975	71,821	64,094
Petty cash	-	-	-	-	51
	<u>67,846</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>975</u>	<u>71,821</u>	<u>64,145</u>
<b>B Other monetary assets</b>					
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>C Liabilities</b>					
<b>Falling due within one year:</b>					
Pension due	-	-	-	-	82
Fee for Independent Examination	732	-	-	732	721
	<u>732</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>732</u>	<u>803</u>
<b>D Assets retained for charity's own use</b>				Value 2023	Value 2022
				£	£
Equipment				5,000	5,000
				<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</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  date 23.01.24  
James Lee

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

**RENEWAL CHURCH WHITFIELD**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**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>				
	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly</b>					
Employment costs	6,277	-	-	6,277	26,762
Rent	2,480	-	-	2,480	1,125
PA and worship	853	-	-	853	217
Insurance	440	-	-	440	408
Ministry activities, support and equipment	2,885	-	-	2,885	1,801
Governance	1,001	-	-	1,001	568
Other costs	573	-	-	573	12
	<u>14,509</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,509</u>	<u>30,892</u>

**3 Grants and gifts paid to others**

Organisations:					
Lighthouse Community, Poland	-	-	5,003	5,003	-
City Church	-	-	-	-	1,525
Elyon Therapeutic Family Services	3,612	-	-	3,612	-
Dover Outreach Centre	-	-	-	-	1,000
Organisations < £1,000	-	-	-	-	744
Individuals	810	-	-	810	651
	<u>4,422</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,003</u>	<u>9,425</u>	<u>3,920</u>

**4 Transactions with related parties**

Anna Palmer served as administrator and was paid £1,686 [2022: £0] for serving in that capacity, not for serving as a trustee; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document.

**RENEWAL CHURCH WHITFIELD**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**5 Movement of funds**

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
General funds	60,131	30,101	(18,932)	(3,455)	67,846
Designated funds					
Worship fund	-	-	-	3,000	3,000
	<u>60,131</u>	<u>30,101</u>	<u>(18,932)</u>	<u>(455)</u>	<u>70,846</u>
Restricted funds					
Ukraine	2,734	1,339	(5,003)	930	-
Social Action grant	475	-	-	(475)	-
Community tithe	805	170	-	-	975
	<u>4,014</u>	<u>1,509</u>	<u>(5,003)</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>975</u>
Total funds	<u>64,145</u>	<u>31,610</u>	<u>(23,935)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,821</u>

The designated Worship fund relates to a £3,000 grant received which was not restricted but which the trustees have designated for the purpose of worship.

The Ukraine appeal raised funds for the Lighthouse Community in Poland working with people affected by the war in Ukraine.

The Social Action grant brought forward funds relate to a grant received in the previous year which was incorrectly treated as restricted funds. The balance has now been transferred to the general funds.

The funds donated for the Community Tithe is to help people in the local community who are in need.