



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
 From Day 1 Month Apr Year 2021 To Day 31 Month Mar Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Colkins Mill Church

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1183123

Charity's principal address Colkins Mill Church, Station Road, Mayfield, East Sussex

Postcode TN20 6BT

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	David Jules Steinegger	Senior Leader		
2	Teresa Steinegger	Leader		
3	Elizabeth Keene	Leader		
4	Stephen John Harland	Leader		
5	Judith Anne Harland	Leader		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Legal	Edward Connor Solicitors	39 The Point, Market Harborough, LE16 7QU

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CIO Foundation Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the existing Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

There were no new Trustees appointed during the year

New Trustees are provided with the constitution of the Church, and statements of financial position. Induction ensures that they are fully acquainted with the objects, organisation and key activities of the Church, and briefed on current priorities, issues and opportunities, to ensure that they can be effective in their role quickly.

The Trustees together form the Leadership Team of the Church, which meets at least monthly, to plan the activities of the Church, to make decisions on matters of general concern, and to determine how funds are spent. Leadership meetings were held either on-line or in person throughout the year depending on Government guidance in relation to COVID-19.

One of the Trustees attended ICAEW on-line training on the Charities Act.

The Coronavirus Pandemic has not raised significant risks to the sustainability of the Charity. Finances remained strong, and on-line technologies enabled the work of the Church to continue in most respects.

The Church is led and run by volunteers, with no employed staff. This limits the extent of fixed costs to be covered by income. Also, the team approach to leadership and ministry reduces dependency on key individuals.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the Church are:

1. The advancement of the Christian faith, primarily, but not exclusively, within Mayfield, East Sussex and the surrounding neighbourhood; and
2. such other charitable purposes as shall put into practice the Christian faith, including: the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness; the advancement of education; and the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Church Leadership is committed to welcoming as many people as possible into the life and activities of the Church. In planning the activity of the Church, the Leadership Team has considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit. The main activities of Colkins Mill Church can be summarised as follows:

- Public worship has taken place each week on-line or in the Church, with a congregation of between 30 and 50 people, together with a small Sunday School for children.
- Three mid-week groups have met regularly, either on-line or in homes, to worship and learn together from the Bible, and to support one another in prayer and fellowship.
- During school term-times two mid-week youth clubs are normally run, open to all local young people of appropriate ages, providing a fun environment for games and social interaction, and including teaching from the Bible and discussion of relevant issues from a Christian perspective. During periods of lockdown this activity was suspended, reopening when possible following guidance from the National Youth Agency.
- A monthly celebration for people with learning difficulties was restarted, having been suspended due to the COVID-19 risk.
- The Church maintains active relationships with mission partners and Christian organisations working elsewhere in the UK and the world, and provides financial and prayer support.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The support provided to individuals and charities is discussed and agreed at meetings of the Leadership Team. All support is reported to members of the Church.

The church relies on volunteers to run all aspects of church life and activities. All such volunteers are known to the leadership team. In the case of volunteers who are involved in the children's and vulnerable adults activities, appropriate safeguarding policies and procedures are in place.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

At the start of the financial year Church services and homegroups were being held on-line due to COVID-19 restrictions, resuming in Church from late July 2021. Services returned to Zoom for a three-week period in January 2022. Since the end of lockdown the live Sunday services have been broadcast on Zoom, enabling international friends and people who are ill or isolating to join the services. It is expected that this will continue for the foreseeable future.

After the release from restrictions the shape of Sunday mornings was changed, with a breakfast being served for half an hour before the service. This was designed to help people re-connect well coming out of isolation. Local people are invited to join us for breakfast even if they don't stay for Church. It has been a successful model and continues to be followed into 2022.

Mid-week meetings have continued through the year, focused on prayer and small-group discipleship. Monthly "Goodness Lunches" were introduced in January 2022 encouraging growth in thankfulness and relationship with God. These have been well attended and have attracted people from outside the Church congregation.

As part of our commitment to our neighbourhood we held a successful afternoon tea for friends and neighbours in August and, at Christmas, took carols and mince-pies around the locality, inviting people back for carols around a fire-pit back at Church.

It has been encouraging to see more people becoming actively engaged in the life of the Church during the year – with people joining the worship team, helping with hospitality and coming to serve on the sound and video technical team.

Young people's work was suspended again during the period of lockdown, but restarted fully from September 2021, with strong attendance. Before the restart we had been able to run a socially distanced Easter-themed treasure hunt, and also a weekend camp for youth club members which took place just as restrictions were lifted on youth work. This camp was greatly appreciated by children and parents emerging from lockdown.

Our long-standing work with people with learning difficulties was restarted after lockdown. After a cautious start, the numbers at the monthly celebrations have built back to 30 or more people from local homes.

We were glad to conduct 2 weddings during lockdown, and supported several families through funerals during the year.

The Church continued to provide the funding for a counselling service at the village Primary School, the second of a three-year commitment. In addition to the people and organisations that the Church regularly supports, several grants were given to support individuals facing financial hardship.

At the end of the year the Leadership Team were discussing proposals to support work amongst sex workers and trafficked women in Cherokee, North Carolina. This led to a three-year commitment made in April 2022 of £5,000 per annum for this ministry. This partnership is with a known and experienced team from Youth With A Mission.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Church has a policy to ensure that unrestricted funds are sufficient to cover at least 6 months expenditure from the general fund. At the end of March 2022 additional reserves were held, arising partly from legacies received in recent years.

The strong reserve position enabled the Church to commit material funds to a new ministry in April 2022 (see above). The reserves are also expected to enable the Church to support people in need, whether Ukrainian refugees, people suffering hardship through the cost of living crisis, or to contribute to international aid priorities.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

All funds are held in cash.

Section F

Other optional information

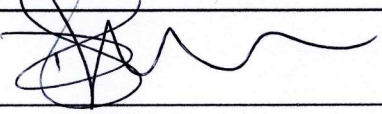
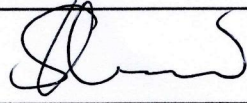
Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
Full name(s)	Full name(s)
David Jules Steinegger	Stephen John Harland
Position	Position
Senior Leader	Leader

Date

5 DECEMBER 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Colkins Mill Church

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
1st April 2021

To

Period end date
31st March 2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and gifts	14,429	9,086	-	23,515	24,621
Charitable activities	1,590	-	-	1,590	-
Gift Aid reimbursement	-	-	-	-	-
Interest on deposit account	1	-	-	1	6
Hire of hall	1,219	-	-	1,219	261
Legacy received	-	-	-	-	31,933
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	17,239	9,086	-	26,325	56,821
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	17,239	9,086	-	26,325	56,821
A3 Payments					
Grants to organisations	4,350	3,894	-	8,244	13,950
Missionary support	3,600	6,142	-	9,742	18,150
Financial support to individuals in need	1,600	-	-	1,600	-
Memberships	582	-	-	582	582
Building and maintenance	445	-	-	445	59,900
Church preaching and outreach	1,345	-	-	1,345	527
Youth and childrens work	1,472	-	-	1,472	-
Light and heat	1,053	-	-	1,053	1,960
Water	168	-	-	168	172
Insurance	977	-	-	977	919
Telephone and internet	501	-	-	501	384
Legal fees (CIO set up)	-	-	-	-	194
Training	151	-	-	151	-
Other	1,351	-	-	1,351	1,093
Sub total	17,595	10,036	-	27,631	97,831
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,595	10,036	-	27,631	97,831
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 356	- 950	-	- 1,306	- 41,010
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	97,122	1,687	-	98,809	139,819
Cash funds this year end	96,766	737	-	97,503	98,809

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
		78,506	737	-
		12,460	-	-
		5,800	-	-
	Total cash funds	96,766	737	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets				
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

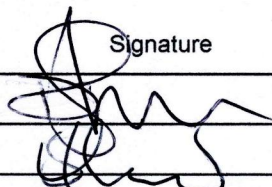
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities				
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature



Print Name

D. STEINEGGER
S. HARLAND

Date of approval

5/12/22
5 DEC '22

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Colkins Mill Church, Mayfield

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Colkins Mill Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31st March 2022.

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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed:



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Date:

13.12.2022