



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	1	Apr	2022	To	31	Mar	2023

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	1st April 2022 to 30th Sep 2022	
4	Stephen John Harland	Leader		
5	Judith Anne Harland	Leader		
6	Kevin Phillip Warner	Leader	1st Sept 2022 to 31st March 2023	
7	Catherine Warner	Leader	1st Sept 2022 to 31st March 2023	

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)

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 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 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 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.
- A monthly celebration is held for people with learning difficulties from a number of care homes in the area with Bible stories, singing, craft and tea.
- The Church provided a "Warm Welcome Space" two days a week for people struggling with the cost of living through the winter months.
- 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.
- The Church building is increasingly being hired by clubs and societies in the village, as the village hall is closed for redevelopment.

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.

Regular support and one-off grants provided by the Church to individuals and charities are determined after discussion and agreement at meetings of the Leadership Team. All grants made by the Church are 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

The Colkins Mill church congregation was glad to hold all Sunday services together in the building, though a legacy of the pandemic is that services continue to be live-streamed for anyone unable to attend in person. The pattern of serving breakfast before the services, initiated last year to help people reconnect after social restrictions were lifted, has been continued throughout the year.

Informal small groups have been meeting weekly in three homes as in previous years, focused on prayer, care and discipleship.

Our monthly celebrations for people with learning difficulties continue to be enjoyed by around 30 people from local care homes.

In response to perceived needs in the community, Colkins Mill Church has run a number of initiatives:

- Monthly Sunday lunches have been served at Church, primarily for people living on their own. These have been popular!
- The Church opened a 'Warm Welcome Space' for two days a week to support people with cost of living through the winter months. This was well supported by volunteers from the Church, though few people from Mayfield took advantage of the facility and it is not planned to be repeated.
- Coffee mornings continued to be run for Ukrainian refugees, until they were no longer needed towards the end of 2022. The Church provided two electronic tablets for the village Primary School to help support the learning of the Ukrainian children there.

The work with young people in the village has been uninterrupted this year, and has seen strong attendance of around 40 children each week across the two mid-week club nights that are offered. Another successful weekend camp was run, taking 30 young people away to a Christian outward-bound centre.

The Church organised a small number of social activities connecting with the community, including an afternoon tea party for neighbours, a barbecue for the Ukrainian community, and a sold-out quiz night.

In 2021 the Church had promised funding of child counselling at the Primary School over the three years emerging from Covid 19, and the final payment was made during the year.

During the year ending March 2023, after a review of reserves and careful consideration of a number of projects, the Church was able to make funding commitments to a number of Christian organisations and initiatives, including Wycliffe Bible Translators, People International, London City Mission, Ichthus Christian Fellowship and Youth With a Mission. Some of these grants are two or three year commitments, and the future obligations have been taken into consideration when assessing free reserves of the Church.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Church leadership reviewed its reserves policy during the year.

Assessment of the current condition of the building has indicated that the Church needs to hold £25,000 of unrestricted reserves for repair work.

The Church has made funding commitments to organisations that will be fulfilled in future years totalling £20,000 as at the financial year end.

Both of the above amounts are deducted from unrestricted cash reserves when the Trustees assess reserves that are freely available. The Trustees consider that an amount equivalent to at least six months of annual expenditure should be held in free reserves.

At the end of March 2023 there were surplus free reserves above the policy level, assuring the future solvency of the Church and giving scope for future support of people and projects at home and overseas.

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

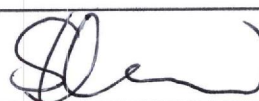
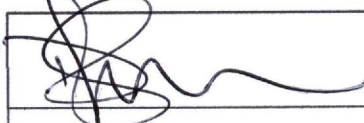
Section G

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)

David Jules Steinegger

Stephen John Harland

Position

Senior Leader

Leader

Date

4 December 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Colkins Mill Church

No (if any)
1183123

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 1st April 2022	To	Period end date 31st March 2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and gifts	19,905	7,296	-	27,201	23,515
Charitable activities	1,940	-	-	1,940	1,590
Gift Aid reimbursement	7,247	5,001	-	12,248	-
Interest on deposit account	27	-	-	27	1
Hire of hall	2,827	-	-	2,827	1,219
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	31,945	12,297	-	44,242	26,325
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	31,945	12,297	-	44,242	26,325
A3 Payments					
Grants to organisations	27,273	1,381	-	28,654	8,244
Missionary support	4,084	8,867	-	12,951	9,742
Financial support to individuals in need	400	-	-	400	1,600
Memberships	582	-	-	582	582
Building and maintenance	2,864	-	-	2,864	445
Church preaching and outreach	228	-	-	228	1,345
Youth and childrens work	2,039	-	-	2,039	1,472
Light, heat and water	1,517	-	-	1,517	1,053
Cleaning	1,145	-	-	1,145	168
Insurance	1,164	-	-	1,164	977
Telephone and internet	524	-	-	524	501
Training	-	-	-	-	151
Other	1,682	-	-	1,682	1,351
Sub total	43,501	10,248	-	53,749	27,631
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	43,501	10,248	-	53,749	27,631
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 11,555	2,049	-	- 9,506	- 1,306
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	96,766	737	-	97,503	139,819
Cash funds this year end	85,211	2,786	-	87,996	138,513

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	Barclays Current Account	66,682	2,786	-
	Barclays Saver Account	12,135	-	-
	Nat West Current Account	6,394	-	-
	Total cash funds	85,211	2,786	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

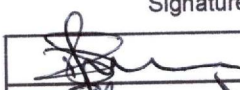

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	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	Date of approval
	DAVID JOHN STEINER	4.12.23
	STEPHEN JOHN HARLAN	4.12.2023

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 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 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:

8/12/23