

Trustees' Annual Report 2023

Registered Charity number 1184051

This is the third Annual Report for this Charitable Incorporated Organisation. It was registered by the Charities Commission on 21st June 2019.

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Reach North Wales
Other names charity is known by	Cyrraedd Pobl Gogledd Cymru
Registered charity number	1184051
Charity's principal address	Ebenezer Baptist Chapel, Glanrafon Road, Mold, CH7 1PA

Trustees who manage the charity

Name	Office	Dates (whole year unless specified)	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee
Dafydd Cunningham		21 st June 2019 to present day	Trustees of Reach NW
Andrew Graham		21 st June 2019 to 8 th December 2021	Trustees of Reach NW
Ian Hughes		21 st June 2019 to 22 nd May 2023	Trustees of Reach NW
Ben Midgley	Chair (from Jan 23)	16 th Jan 2023 to present day	Trustees of Reach NW
James Mitton	Chair (to Jan 23) and Secretary	21 st June 2019 to present day	Trustees of Reach NW
Ben Slatter		21 st June 2019 to 16 th January 2023	Trustees of Reach NW
Deiniol Williams		21 st June 2019 to present day	Trustees of Reach NW

Section B *Structure, governance and management*

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Constitution Rules and Regulations Handbook
How the charity is constituted	Registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation 21 June 2019.
Trustee selection methods	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

Section C *Objectives and activities*

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

The purposes of Reach North Wales are:

1. the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within North Wales and the surrounding area.
2. such other charitable purposes, as shall in the opinion of the charity trustees, facilitate the work of the CIO, provided that such purposes must be carried out in a manner consistent with the basis of faith.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

All the charity trustees have confirmed that they have read and understood the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, and have given due regard to this guidance when exercising any relevant powers or duties.

Regular Meetings of the Trustees

Reach North Wales is a partnership of gospel churches and individuals working together to plant new churches and revitalise existing churches across North Wales. In 2019 Reach was a newly formed charity with the following aims during meetings:

- To identify areas which need new churches;
- To recognise that gospel partnership in North Wales ought to be regional, as well as local. Our work to start with was divided into two regions North Wales East and North Wales West, and focused on the specific needs within each of them;
- To help existing churches support planting work in areas identified which are near to them;
- To lead and establish church plants ourselves;
- To promote informed praying for the Lord's work in these situations;
- To identify gifted and trained gospel workers who are being called by God to plant in North Wales;
- To connect with supporters who can bring prayer, finances and other help in order to see churches planted;
- To direct resources to the planters and churches we partner with;
- Where possible, to partner bilingually, recognising the need to serve communities in North Wales in their respective heart-languages;
- To provide training events, conferences, advice and support to those interested and aligned to its objectives and vision;

We were able to meet 6 times in 2023 (16/1, 6/2, 22/5, 9/11, 16/10, 27/11), discussing how to start to progress galvanizing prayer for the region with individuals aligned to our charity objectives, and how to prioritise the focus of our time so we can most effectively progress the aims of RNW.

Reach North Wales exists to help the planting of local churches in North Wales. The churches represented have collectively planted three churches already and our hope with God's help is to accelerate this in the coming years. The Buckley church plant had to temporarily pause in 2022, and RNW has sought to consider opportunities to reignite this.

Fundraising

Reach North Wales does not have a formal membership but is an informal group of individuals and churches who support its aims. It aims to be funded by churches, Christian trusts, and individual donors who wish to assist its aims through financial support.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Following the formation of the charity in 2019, the trustees made good progress in moving towards appointing a Director and formulating a church planting vision for North Wales. However, as a result of the pandemic, the change in trustees, and local church priorities we agreed that during 2021 and 2022 we would meet for prayer and send out regular social media posts. 2023 was a year of starting to re-ignite our efforts and consider how best to support the deliver of our charity objectives. We considered strengthening the board with new trustees, broadening the representation to geographically cover more of North Wales, and how best to start to part with churches to progress church planting or the revitalisation of existing churches.

Section E Financial review

Reserves and Deficit

The charity does not presently have a reserves policy. There are no funds in deficit.

Further financial review details

The charity has not actively fundraised in 2023. The balance of the account was £1388.80 for year ending 2023. The only cost in 2023 was for webhosting at £97.29. RNW received a regular anonymous gift via Stewardship Services, and a one-off gift also via Stewardship Services.

Section F Other optional information

The charity engages with several organisations for help in achieving its aims.

1. The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC) for dialogue and shared experience with other likeminded churches across the UK.

- 2. Local churches and organisations in the region including ECW, EMW, and IPC/EBC
- 3. The charity does not presently have a safeguarding policy as it does not engage in work with children or vulnerable adults. However, considering the nature of our work, it is wise for a safeguarding policy to be in place in future. Dafydd has progressed advice from CSS and Midlands Gospel partnership. Agreed we need a policy, led by Dafydd, if we are to reignite activities and this is still ongoing.
- 4. Compliance with General Data Protection Regulations needs to be established with appropriate policies, modification of certain processes, and training/awareness-raising.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature		
Full name	Ben Midgley	
Position	Trustee - Chairman	
Date	24/10/2024	

Receipts and payments accounts

2023

For the period
from

01-Jan-23

To

31-Dec-23

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					
Ebenezer Baptist Church 10th Jan 2022		-	-	-	100
16th Feb Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
27th Mar Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
27th Apr Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
25th May Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
26th June Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
27th Jul Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
31st Jul Direct individual Gift	20	-	-	20	-
31st August Direct individual gift	20	-	-	20	-
28th Sep Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
2nd Oct Direct individual gift	20	-	-	20	-
26th Oct Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
31st Oct Direct individual gift	20	-	-	20	-
27th Nov Stewardship Services Anon	150	-	-	150	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,430	-	-	1,430	100
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Cash carried over from 2022	114	-	-	114	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	114	-	-	114	-
Total receipts	1,544	-	-	1,544	100
A3 Payments					
20/02/23 Invoice 8593 - Ninefootone Ltd - website hosting	54	-	-	54	43
6th June Invoice 9722 Ninefootone Ltd - website hosting	43	-	-	43	-
20th Nov Invoice 10212 Ninefootone Ltd - website hosting	58	-	-	58	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	155	-	-	155	43
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	155	-	-	155	43
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,389	-	-	1,389	57
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,389	-	-	1,389	57

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29/10/2024