

Bourne Evangelical Church
Trustee's Report 15th October 2023

Trustees: Jason Wright, Jacob Wright, Abbie Campbell

1.Charity Objectives and Activities- Bourne Evangelical Church exists for the advancement of the Christian faith within Bourne and the surrounding areas in accordance with its constitution and basis of faith. This includes provision of a place of meeting for public worship of God via preaching and teaching of the Bible. Communion, prayer, praise, fellowship and alms-giving including evangelistic outreach and discipleship.

- a) providing a place for worship for ecclesiastical activities
- b) providing Christian resources for the wider community
- c) engaging the general public through evangelism
- d) offering short courses on the Christian faith

Programs for support of members

- a) weekly Bible teaching sessions
- b) weekly prayer groups
- c) pastoral care, visits and calls
- d) advanced discipleship training for members
- e) activities for bonding and personal growth

1. Membership: reminder of obligations- Church Handbook
2.1.9

Membership brings with it certain privileges and responsibilities. The privileges are identified as membership of the local Body of Christ in all its work and worship, to be able to partake in discussing and agreeing the way in which the local Church should move forward and fulfil its Biblical role in the local community and the benefit of Pastoral care.

The obligations of membership are to submit to the authority and leadership of the Pastor and/or Elders and Deacons in accordance with the provisions of this Church Handbook and the Constitution, to participate in the work of the Church and its activities, to attend meetings regularly, to bear each other up before the Lord in prayer, and to share in the financial needs of the Church. In particular, this will involve:

1. Regular attendance at Sunday worship. (Acts 20:7, Heb. 10:25)
2. Regular personal prayer and Bible study. (2 Tim 3:15-17, Phil. 4:6)
3. Regular attendance, when possible, at the main weekday meeting of the Church for prayer, Bible study and fellowship. (Acts 1:14, 2:42)
4. Sharing in the life, work and witness of the local Church. (Rom. 1:16, 1 Cor. 15:58)
5. Regular giving to the local Church and the Lord's work in general. (1 Cor. 16:2, 2 Cor. 9:6-7)
6. The showing of Christian love and concern, both for the members of the Church family and for the community at large. (John 13:35, 1 Thess. 3:12)
7. An endeavour to live a life consistent with the faith we profess. (Rom. 6:1-2, Eph. 4:1)
8. Regular attendance at the Lord's Supper. (Acts 2:42, 20:7)

2. - Meeting Charity objectives and activities

Advancement of the Christian faith. BEC has a rolling contract with the URC which secures BEC with a regular place of worship, for ecclesiastical activities. Integration of ZOOM remains and our YouTube page with sermons as well as our regular bible studies.

Programs of support for members and non-members – Pastor Dave and Sue, they are available for pastoral care and Myself and Lauren continue to organise social interaction, when possible. BEC is linked with the Fenlands Evangelical Network and our relationship with them, provides further social interaction among membership through outreach, fellowship, teaching.

Long term investments – Securing the church building, through funders and various options.

Evangelism - The Christmas carol service is planned for December 14^h, joint with Fenlands service. Easter saw us have our usual Passover meal and joint fenlands service. A Christianity explored course was done and further study has continued. Weekly prayer group and bible study for the teaching of the congregation continues. Our yearly Christmas market provides us with a fantastic opportunity for outreach and opportunities to share Jesus. We continue to receive regular supplies of Christian books for the resource room as well as a large supply of preloved books.

The gallery – The office space is used weekly by pastor Dave and a quiet place for reading, reflection and Christian resources is available. The chapel is open weekly on a Wednesday . In line with charity objectives and the Church vision the upper room is available as a drop in hub for both members and non-members in the local community.

The trustees and BEC members remain committed to the advancement of the Christian faith within Bourne and its surrounding areas in accordance with its constitution and basis of faith and look forward to a prosperous and blessed 2025.

Trustee report 2024.

Over the last year, we have been building up and waiting for the sale and the building and building a vision with God guiding to secure the building that we call home.

At the start of the year, we had meetings with the URC to discuss the possibility of working together on the repair of the building, it then became clear that their intention was to sell for their own financial reasons, again we had meetings again to find out to the time scale of this and then as a congregation we patiently waited.

In the meantime, we had a trustee meeting to discuss the potential vision of the church, we prayed into this and shared what we felt the Lord wanted and we all agreed on the same vision, we shared different ideas together. We met again and drafted a vision which is what we shared with you all. We created a logo and a leaflet to share this. We then met several times with Joel to create plans. We have met again several times, with various exchanged in between with the URC synod and other originations on how we secure the money and fundraise.

Each one has set to and contacted individuals, originations, grants, the local council, are enquires are still ongoing and now we have a price, it is crucial that we secure funding.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bourne Evangelical Church

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2023

To

31/03/2024

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	13,211	-	-	13,211	-
Toddler Group		80		80	
Resource Room	-	1,083	-	1,083	-
Building Fund		1,208		1,208	
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,211	2,371	-	15,582	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,211	2,371	-	15,582	-
A3 Payments					
Property Rental	4,800	-	-	4,800	-
General	1,422	-	-	1,422	-
Pastor Salary	5,100	-	-	5,100	-
Resource Room	-	584	-	584	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,322	584	-	11,906	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	11,322	584	-	11,906	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,889	1,787	-	3,676	-
A5 Transfers between funds	- 320	320	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	- 226	2,968	-	2,742	-
Cash funds this year end	1,343	5,075	-	6,418	-

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		1,343	5,075	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,343	5,075	-
	(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			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature


Print Name
 Abbie Campbell

Date of approval
 25/01/2025

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